

It seems like this winter lasted forever, but at long last spring is peaking around the corner. I wanted to reach out with a few updates as to what we've been up to in the last several months.

## WHAT'S UP?

During 2018 we participated in the ODCCA (Ohio) and Ward World Waterfowl Carving competitions and captured a total of 10 ribbons. I spent most of the year working primarily on commissioned projects. Including some of the following...



Full Detail Preening  
Mallard Hen



Wood Burned Full  
Detail Mallard Drake



Full Detail Pintail Drake



Wood Burned Full Detail Pintail Pair



Partial Detail Green Winged Teal Drake



Wood Burned Full Detail Blue Wing Teal Pair



Full Detail Mallard Drake

There are several different styles in these birds. Partial detail like the green wing have a bit less feather carving and texturing. The full detail, are heavily carved and textured and painted in great detail. The wood burned only birds use burning and texturing to capture the patterns of the species.

Good news / bad news, we have very little inventory of “available” birds. I’m hoping to create several new birds including some partial detailed, moderately priced selections this year. Keep an eye on our website [thewoodenbird.com](http://thewoodenbird.com).

## ODCCA Show 2019

This year we attended our third Ohio Decoy Carver and Collector show in Strongsville, OH. I’m happy to say that our three birds did very well. After a good swim in the judging tanks, (below), we won 7 ribbons.

Common loon,  
Best Loon,  
Best  
Confidence,  
Goose or Sea  
bird, Best of  
Show.



Hooded  
Merganser,  
Best  
Merganser,  
Best Diver  
Duck, Third  
Best of Show.



Northern  
Shoveler, Best  
Shoveler.

The Shoveler  
and and  
Hoodie are  
both available  
in our [duck shop](http://duckshop.com).





As always, thanks so much for your interest in and support of my work.

Cheers,

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