2025 After-Show Special

Iowa Taxidermy Association

42nd annual Competition & Show

March 14th-16th, 2025



2025 Masters Best of Show

Jamie Brincks

Council Bluffs, IA

President's Message

I'd like to thank you all for once again allowing me to serve you as president.

Also another huge thank you to our Judges, sponsors, and vendors.

I believe our 2025 show was a great success at a new location. Going into a new place, I couldn't help but to wonder what challenges we would face. I felt things went very smoothly. For that, I have an incredible group of officers, board members, and past officers to thank. I definitely couldn't come close to doing my job without you all!!

I've gotten some great feedback, and we look forward to having our 2026 show at the same location.

Hopefully everyone enjoyed the show, enjoyed some fellowship, and learned a little something to better themselves at taxidermy. God bless you all, and I hope to see you again next year!

-Tim Schroeder

Thank you to Skull Bracket out of Laramie, WY for sponsoring our Euro category this year. They provided some outstanding prize packages for the winners.

2025 ITA Officers

President…… Tim Schroeder
Vice President…… Ethan Porter
Secretary…… Ben Schuck
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2025 ITA Board of Directors

Mike Stegmann
Chris Sturtz
Don Westering
Chris Clough
Rob McAlpine
Terry Winter
(See membership list for contact information)

2025 Show Committee

Ethan Porter
Darin Brincks
Terry Winter
Chris Sturtz

2025 Show Judges

Deer Heads……Larry O'Malley
Fish/Reptiles……Cole Cruickshank
Mammals/Gameheads……. Abel Everage
Birds……Randy Holler

Show Challenges

A special award is given to the winner of the show challenge. The species for the challenge is selected by the winners of the previous challenges usually a fish and a mammal since traditionally there are less entries in those categories. Species selected should be fairly easy for the taxidermist to get ahold of.

Show Challenges 2026
Bobcat and Walleye
Avian Challenge
Wood Duck-any pose

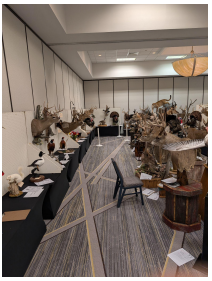
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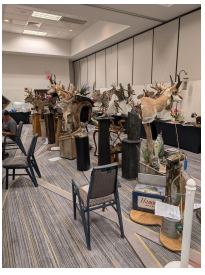
2025 Show Stats

56 Registered taxidermists
11 Out of State registrants
114 Entries
3 Amatuer 15- entries
11 Amatuer 16+ entries
73 Professional Division entries
17 Masters Division entries
28 Deer heads
4 European skull mounts
3 Reproduction fish
4 Skin mount fish
6 Gameheads
5 Large Lifesize mammals
8 Small Lifesize mammals
2 Freeze dried entries
7 Turkeys
13 Upland birds
26 Waterfowl
16 Show Challenge entries
110 Banquet meals bought

Because we handed out score sheets other than blue ribbon winners, before getting the scores documented, we are unable to list all entries and the ribbon they received. We apologize and will get these included in the after show special next year.









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2025 Special Awards



Chris Clough

Deer skull with Owl Sculpture

Best European 1st place

Interpretive Best of Show

Recreation Best of Category

Scott Brassfield

Warthog

Best European 2nd place





Alicia Westering

Horse

Best European 3rd Place

2025 Special Awards



Kymber Lee
Whitetail
Pheasants Forever
Amatuer 15-
Delta Waterfowl
Amatuer 15-
Whitetails
Unlimited Amatuer

Charles Braman
Turkey
Amatuer 16+ BOC
Turkey
Pheasants Forever
Amatuer 16+
Safari Club
International
Amatuer 16+



2026 Show Challenges
Bobcat and Walleye

2025 Special Awards



Rachel Caun

Canada Goose

Amatuer 16+ BOC

Waterfowl

Delta Waterfowl

Cupped and Committed Chapter

Amatuer 16+

Amatuer 16+ Best Entry

Tommi Tracy

Bass

Safari Club International Amatuer

15-



2026 Avian Challenge-Wood Duck

2025 Special Awards



Charles Braman
Whitetail
Amatuer 16+ BOC
Deerhead

Brett Henderson
Snow Goose
Professional BOC
Waterfowl
Hutton Valley School of Taxidermy's Movin' on Up Award



Thank you to all our vendors and registrants for donating items for our auctions!!

2025 Special Awards



Alex Campbell
Gadwall
Composition Best of Category
Safari Club International
Professional Division



Alex Campbell and Caleb Roseburrough
Pintail Hybrid
Collective Artist Best of Category

2025 Special Awards



Roger Dolling
Angel Fish
Freeze Dry Best of Category

Darin Brincks
Antlers
Reproduction Best of Category



If you haven't already signed up, PLEASE sign up for our SMS text messages to keep up to date on all the happenings of the ITA. Just text ITAMTG to 1-833-823-0300 for meeting updates and text ITASHOW to the same number for show updates. Thank you!

2025 Special Awards



Alicia Westering
Best of Show Flat Art
Amatuer 16+



Chris Clough
Best of Show Flat Art
Professional

Bags Tournament

We had 8 teams again this year and it looked like fun was had by all. The team from MO of Scott Brassfield and Nathan Kelsey won again. Congratulations to them!! They won the tournament last year as well. Will they be dethroned next year??

2025 Special Awards



Christopher Kaduce
Pheasant
Pheasants Forever Marshall/Tama County Professional Division

Caleb Roseburrough
Gadwall
Matuska Taxidermy Supply Competitors Award Professional
Delta Waterfowl Cupped and Committed Chapter Professional



A big Thank you to the staff of the Sheraton West Des Moines Hotel for their quick responses to all of our needs. A special Thank you to Mo, our bartender for the weekend. He was an outstanding guy with a wonderful attitude towards life.

2025 Special Awards



Ethan Porter

Whitetail and Mule Deer

McKenzie Taxidermy Supply Distinguished Service Award

Whitetails Unlimited Professional Div.

ITA Best Mixed Entry

2025 Special Awards



Jacob Helbing
Whitetail
Professional Div Best of Category Deer Head
Pro 1 Professional Award
McKenzie Taxidermist Choice Best Deer Head

Josh Wiedner
Antelope
Best of Category Gamehead
Professional Div



Thank you to all who came to help set up on Thursday and all who stayed and helped tear down on Sunday. Without all of you helping these shows would not be possible. Thank You!!!

2025 Special Awards



Zach Martin
Mountain Lion
Professional Best of Category Large Mammal
McKenzie Taxidermist Choice Best Lifesize

Josh Wiedner
Crappie
Professional Best of Category Reproduction Fish
Annual Show Challenge Winner
Polytranspar Award
McKenzie Taxidermist Choice Best Fish



Fallow Deer Hunt Raffle Tickets
Please get in touch with one of the officers or a board member if you would like to purchase or sell some raffle tickets.

2025 Special Awards



Alex Campbell

Turkey

Professional Division Best of Category Turkey

Professional Division Best of Show

Most Realistic Habitat

Knight's Taxidermy Mounted in Alaska Award



Dan Adamson

Tahr

People's Choice Award

2025 Special Awards



Chris Sturtz
Squirrel
Show Challenge
Winner

Greg Cuvelier
Pheasant
Avian Challenge Winner
Masters Best of
Category Upland Bird



A big Thank you to our Judges Abel Everage, Cole Cruickshank, Larry O'Malley and Randy Holler for taking the time out of their schedule to come and judge our show and give some great seminars.

2025 Special Awards



Mike Stegmann

White winged Scoter
Masters Best of
Category Waterfowl
Delta Waterfowl
Cupped and
Committed Chapter
Masters Award

Pheasant
Pheasants Forever
Marshall/Tama
County Chapter
Masters Division

2025 Special Awards



Nathan Kelsey

Bobcat

Masters Best of Category Small Mammal

Safari Club International Masters Award

Iowa Trappers Association Best Mammal Mount

Delta Waterfowl Cupped and Committed chapter Nest Raider Award

2025 Special Awards



Nathan Kelsey

Whitetail Deer

Masters Best of Category Closed Mouth Whitetail

State Champion Whitetail

Whitetails Unlimited Masters Award

2025 Special Awards



Scott Brassfield

Axis

Masters Best of Category Large Gamehead

State Champion Gamehead

Van Dykes Award

Taxidermist Choice Best Gamehead

Best Out of State Entry

2025 Special Awards



Larkin Bennett

Whitetail Deer

Second 2 Nature Taxidermy Supply Award

2025 Special Awards



Caleb Roseburrough

Turkey

Masters Best of Category Turkey

State Champion Bird

McKenzie Taxidermist Choice Best Bird

Presidents Award

2025 Special Awards



Chris Clough
Squirrel
United Taxidermist Association Artisan Award

Darin Brincks and Greg Cuvelier
Mule Deer
Joe Meder Master of Masters Award



2025 Special Awards



Jamie Brincks

Pronghorn Antelope

Masters Best of Category Large Mammal

State Champion Mammal

Pro 1 Masters Award

WASCO Award

Breakthrough Award Judges Choice Best of Show

Thoughts from the Secretary

Dear Members of the Iowa Taxidermy Association,

I am writing to extend my sincere thanks to all the members of the ITA for making the 2025 Show and Competition such a successful and enjoyable show. The expertise and dedication exhibited by each member contributed to an event that was both educational and entertaining.This year we had an incredible turnout from the public too! It was truly a pleasure to be a part of such an enriching experience.

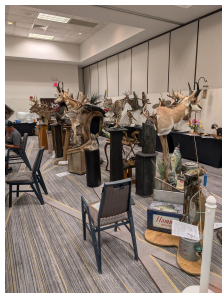
Looking ahead, I am eagerly anticipating next years show as we now have some experience at the new venue and hopefully that will make things run even smoother. I also want to thank everyone that filled out the survey and turned it in. Your feedback will help us ensure that these shows continue to be enjoyable for everyone.

Thank you once again for your hard work and commitment in ensuring the success of this year's event. I am enthusiastic about the potential we have to continue growing and elevating the ITA to new heights. I eagerly await the opportunity to reconnect with you all in the near future.

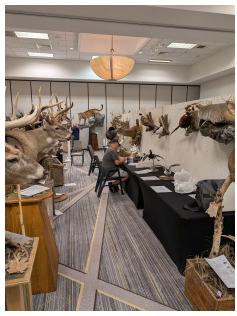
Sincerely,
Ben Schuck

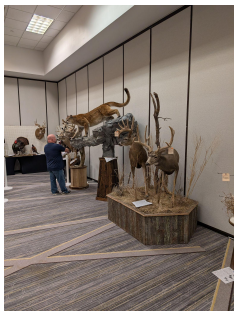
Some random snapshots from the show











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