

Fine Feathers.

SEPTEMBER 2018

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ALBERTA WILDLIFE CARVING ASSOCIATION.

Message from the President

Hello everyone!!

Start dusting off your tools - our first carving night, October 2 is fast approaching. Have a look in this newsletter at the Tuesday night classes and get ready to choose. The October 2nd meeting is where you make that final decision about your class for the year, meet instructors and pay your fees. This first night, there is no carving. The following week, October 9th - bring your tools, and start carving.

As you begin your carving year – please keep some AWCA events in mind. Our **Images of Nature Show is scheduled for May 3rd to 5th 2019**. I would encourage everyone to work toward entering your Tuesday Night carving project in our show.

Also this year there is a change in the number of classes being offered to AWCA members. Unfortunately Boag Lake Carving Studio has closed its doors – we would like to thank Glenn Maber for developing Boag Lake Studio and offering our carvers numerous classes over the years. Two opportunities remain for carvers to learn from the very best carvers in North America. Our annual fall class with **Jean Minaudier (Nov. 4-9th)** and our summer school **“Carving in the Park” (June 18th to 23rd, 2019)** with Pat Godin, Jeff Krete and Denis Drechsler remain. I would encourage everyone to consider these unbelievable opportunities. Looking forward to seeing you!

Bob Steele

President A.W.C.A.

Signing up for classes:

Please note if you were in a class with an instructor last year who is teaching this year you have the option of staying with that instructor. If you are new or your instructor is not teaching this year or you want to change to another instructor, contact that instructor and get confirmation that you are able to get a spot. If you do let your old instructor know you are moving. Line up your classes ASAP so you get the one you want.

AWCA Website

The AWCA's most up to date information on an ongoing basis can be found in our website. The website can be reached online under "Alberta Wildlife Carving Association" or directly at <http://albertawildlifecarving.squarespace.com/>.

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The Board of Directors is elected to represent the members of the Alberta Wildlife Carving Association. If you have any concerns or suggestion regarding association operations, please feel free to discuss them with one of the Board members or Email them. The Board meets a minimum of four times per year, your comment and suggestion will be discussed at these meetings.

Only through your input are we able to address your concerns and request.

AWCA Tuesday Evenings at Amiskwacy Academy
Upcoming Courses for Carving Year 2018-2019
Commencing October 2 2108

GRIZZLY BEAR

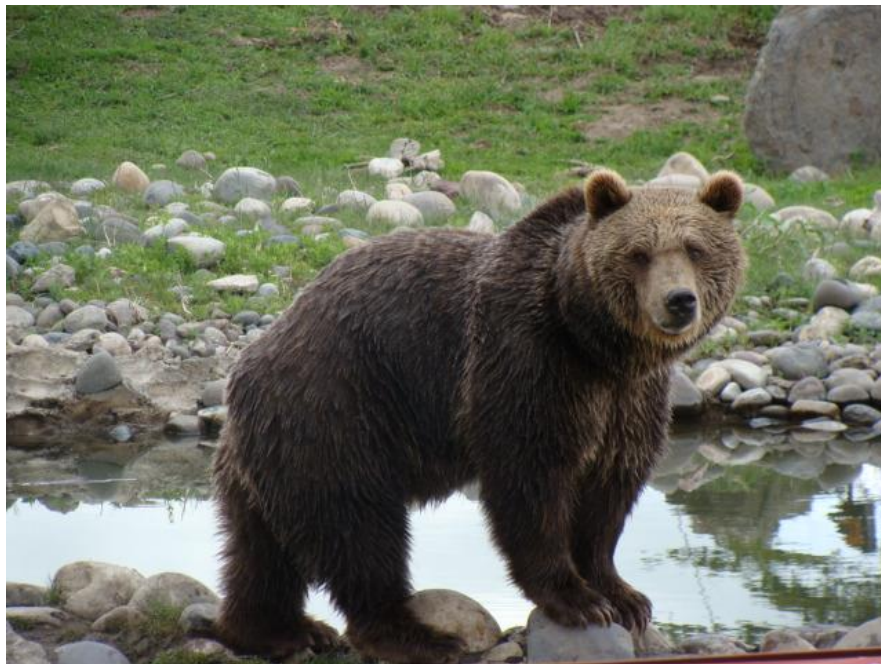
TUE. NIGHTS AT AMISKWACIY ACADEMY 6:00PM TO 9:00PM

THE ALBERTA WILDLIFE CARVING ASSOCIATION IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE ITS FALL CARVING
COURSE WITH INSTRUCTOR **BRENDA MITCHELL 780-910-2615**

BLANKS AND EYES WILL BE SUPPLIED

COURSE STARTS OCT 2, 2018 TO END OF MAR

FEE: \$350.00 includes class fees



REQUIRED TOOLS: STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING A MICRO MOTOR POWER GRINDER (I.E. TSP, NSK, FOREDOM OR SIMILAR MACHINE A DREMEL WITH A FLEX SHAFT WITH BE OK) Some coarse bits and some fine bits. A sharp carving knife, a pr of calipers, a flexible ruler or straight edge, a mechanical pencil, an assortment of paint brushes #1,2,3. Dust masks and safety glasses are recommended.

MINIATURE MANDARIN DUCK

AT AMISKWACIY ACADEMY

THE ALBERTA WILDLIFE CARVING ASSOCIATION IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE ITS FALL CARVING COURSE WITH INSTRUCTOR GLENN MABER 780-907-0454

Email gmaber@yahoo.com BLANKS, EYES AND HABITAT MATERIALS WILL BE SUPPLIED

COURSE STARTS OCT 9 TO END OF MAR

FEE: \$350.00 Includes class fees.



REQUIRED TOOLS: STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING A MICRO MOTOR POWER GRINDER I.E. TSP, NSK, FOREDOM OR SIMILAR MACHINE. Some coarse bits and some fine bits. A sharp carving knife, a pr of calipers, a flexible ruler or straight edge, a mechanical pencil, an assortment of paint brushes #1,2,3. Dust masks and safety glasses are recommended.

THE **ALBERTA WILDLIFE CARVING ASSOCIATION**
IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE ITS FALL CARVING COURSE AT AMISKWACIY ACADEMY
WITH INSTRUCTOR **KATHLEEN NORTON 780-591-0403**

Email klorton@me.com

STARTS OCT 9 TO END OF MAR

FEE: \$350.00

ATLANTIC PUFFIN



REQUIRED TOOLS: STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING A POWER GRINDER I.E. fordorm or a dremel with a flex shaft, some coarse bits and some fine bits. A sharp carving knife, a pr of calipers, a flexible ruler or straight edge, a mechanical pencil, an assortment of paint brushes #1,2,3. Dust masks and safety glasses are recommended.

EUROPEAN BEE EATER COURSE

TUE. NIGHTS AT AMISKWACIY ACADEMY 6:00PM TO 9:00PM

THE **ALBERTA WILDLIFE CARVING ASSOCIATION** IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE ITS FALL CARVING COURSE WITH INSTRUCTOR WAYNE MYERS **780-435-1773**

BLANKS AND EYES WILL BE SUPPLIED

COURSE STARTS OCT 9 TO END OF MAR

FEE: \$350.00 Includes class fee



REQUIRED TOOLS: STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING A MICRO MOTOR POWER GRINDER (I.E. TSP, NSK, FOREDOM OR SIMILAR MACHINE A DREMEL WITH A FLEX SHAFT WITH BE OK) Some coarse bits and some fine bits. A sharp carving knife, a pr. of calipers, a flexible ruler or straight edge, a mechanical pencil, an assortment of paint brushes #1,2,3. Dust masks and safety glasses are recommended.

THE **ALBERTA WILDLIFE CARVING ASSOCIATION**
IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE ITS FALL CARVING COURSE AT AMISKWACIY ACADEMY
WITH INSTRUCTOR **DIANE SHARKEY 780 918-5291**
STARTS OCT 9 TO END OF MAR FEE: \$350.00

BEGINNER CLASS

PINTAIL BUST



REQUIRED TOOLS: STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING A POWER GRINDER I.E. formidom or a dremel with a flex shaft, some coarse bits and some fine bits. A sharp carving knife, a pr. of calipers, a flexible ruler or straight edge, a mechanical pencil, an assortment of paint brushes #1,2,3. Dust masks and safety glasses are recommended.

Carving Calendar

2018

OCT 2- START OF CARVING AND FINAL DAY FOR CLASS SIGN UP AT AMISKWACIY

OCT 9- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

OCT 16- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

OCT 23- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

OCT 26,27,28 REFLECTIONS OF NATURE SASKATOON SHOW

OCT 30- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

NOV. 4 – 9TH JEAN MINAUDIER

NOV 6- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY ONLY BEE EATER CLASS

NOV 13- NO CARVING (Fall Break)

NOV 20- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

NOV 26- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

DEC 4- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

DEC 11- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

DEC 18- XMAS PARTY AT AMISKWACIY

DEC 25 NO CARVING

JAN 1 NO CARVING

2019

JAN 8- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

JAN 15- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

JAN 22- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

JAN 29- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

FEB 5- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

FEB 12- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

FEB 19- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

FEB 26- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

MAR 5- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

MAR 12- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

MAR 15, 16 & 17 CANADIAN NATIONAL WILDFOWL CARVING WATERLOO, ONT.

MAR 19- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

MAR 26- NO CARVING (spring break?)

APR 2- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

APR 6 & 7 BRANT WILDLIFE CARVING SHOW

APR 9- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

APR 16- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

APR 23- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

APR 26, 27 & 28 WARDS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OCEAN CITY, MD

APR 30- REGULAR CARVING AT AMISKWACIY

MAY 3, 4, 5- IMAGES OF NATURE SHOW AT WHITECROFT HALL SHERWOOD PARK

MAY 7- FINAL CLEAN UP AND SIGN OUT AT AMISKWACIY

JUNE 18-23 CARVING IN THE PARK

Pat Godin – Painting a Green Wing Teal Hen - Painting Technical Project

Jeff Krete - Flying Miniature Sandhill Crane

Dennis Drechsler-A pair of Narwhal's on an abstract iceberg base

COUNTRY HAVEN WOOD CARVING



INSTRUCTOR: JEAN MINAUDIER

DATES: CARVING NOV. 4TH, TO NOV.9TH, 8:30AM TO 5:00PM

COST: \$690, INCLUDES, LUNCH AND COFFEE BLANKS AND EYES

\$50.00 DEPOSIT WITH REGISTRATION

BALANCE DUE OCT.1 2018

DEPOSIT AND FEES PAYABLE TO, BRENDA MITCHELL

COUNTRY HAVEN WOOD CARVING

C/O BRENDA MITCHELL

RR1, SITE 105, COMP.4

ALBERTA BEACH, T0E 0A1

CONTACT, BRENDA MITCHELL, TO SIGN UP, AND FOR MORE

INFORMATION, AT 780 910 2615

[EMAIL AB-US@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:AB-US@HOTMAIL.COM)

Carving In the Park June 18-23, 2019

AWCA's Annual Summer Carving School

AWCA "Carving in the Park" summer school will run again this year. Carving in the Park carving school is one of the best carving schools in North America with three of the most outstanding wildlife instructors available. Our instructors this year are:

- **Pat Godin** – Multiple World Championship titles in five World Class categories. Most recently honored at the Word World Champion Waterfowl festival with the title of Living Legend by the Ward Foundation
- **Jeff Krete** - Jeff has won over 200 international awards at wildfowl art completions throughout North America. Jeff continues to produce many original pieces of wildfowl sculpture and is today recognized as a leading innovative carver. Jeff has won numerous Best in Show Awards at the Canadian National Wildfowl Carving Championships.
- **Dennis Drechsler** – Dennis has competed in many of the woodcarving competitions throughout the Pacific Northwest, both in Canada and the US, and to date has won six "Best Of Show" Awards. Dennis has won the Best of Division Award in the "Aquatic Vertebrates" category at the Ward World Championship Woodcarving Competition

Classes are designed to expand carvers' skills, abilities and understanding of three-dimensional wildlife art in an intimate class setting with classes generally being between 8 and 12 carvers . AWCA tries to keep costs reasonable and has opted for 6 day courses rather than the usual 5 day format.

Course Sign Up

- Those who attended "Carving in the Park," 2018 have the first opportunity to sign up for the same instructor for 2019 or transfer to another class.
- If you are new!

[For more information – and Registration contact:](#)

Bob Steele at cbsteele@telus.net

The coffee is always on with home-made treats as well as wonderful lunches.

"Carving in the Park" also hosts a Saturday evening BBQ to allow participants and their families to get to know each other a little better.

CARVING IN THE PARK

PAT GODIN- 6 DAY CLASS

PAINTING A GREEN WING TEAL HEN

(Pat's new GREEN WING TEAL Pattern)

JUNE 18TH TO 23RD, 2019



\$790.00 (This price includes Tupelo cut-out, Eyes, CD and Photo Pack and
Lunches for the six days.)

\$200.00 DEPOSIT REQUIRED UPON REGISTERING (Once you have paid your
deposit you will receive the cut-out, eyes, pattern, CD and Photo-pack)
FINAL PAYMENT DUE APRIL 18, 2019.

JEFF KRETE- 6 DAY CLASS

CARVING AND PAINTING A FLYING MINIATURE SANDHILL CRANE

JUNE 18TH TO 23RD, 2019



**\$690.00 (This price includes Tupelo cut-out, Eyes, Reference Pack and Lunches
for the six days.)**

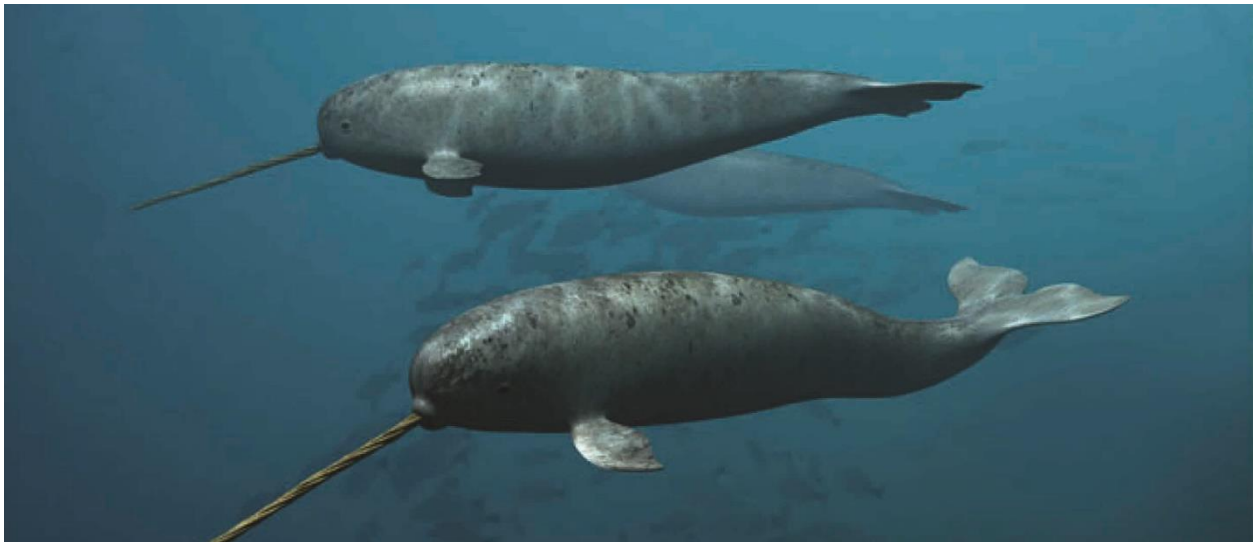
**\$100.00 DEPOSIT REQUIRED UPON REGISTERING
FINAL PAYMENT DUE APRIL 18, 2019.**

CARVING IN THE PARK

DENNIS DRECHSLER- 6 DAY CLASS

CARVING 2 NARWHAL MOUNTED ON AN ABSTRACT ICEBERG BASE

JUNE 18TH TO 23RD, 2019



**\$490.00 (This price includes BASSWOOD cut-out, Eyes, Reference Pack and
Lunches for the six days.)**

**\$100.00 DEPOSIT REQUIRED UPON REGISTERING
FINAL PAYMENT DUE APRIL 18, 2019.**

Raffle Awards for 2018-2019



RAFFLE PRIZES FOR 2018/2019

The AWCA sells Raffle Ticket's to help keep our costs and fees down, as well as fund and support special projects and activities of our organization. Please do your part, see Kathleen to obtain Raffle Books. Thank you for your support.

AWCA Classified Ads

AWCA Embroidered Clothing Line.

The Alberta Wildlife Carving Association is pleased to offer our Embroidered Clothing Line to our members and friends. To place an order, please specify the Item Name, Style #, Colour, Size and Quantity Please Email the information to Wayne Olsen at lwolsen@shaw.ca Orders can be placed between Aug 15 and Oct 15 for delivery in November. Members can also place their order at the Tuesday Night Classes Up to Oct 15. Payment is due at time of order. See AWCA website www.alberta-wildlifecarving.com click AWCA EMBROIDERED CLOTHING for descriptions of items available and order form.

Images of Nature Garage Sale

The Alberta Wildlife Carving Association conducts a “Garage Sale “at our Images of Nature Show the weekend before Mother’s Day each year. If you have tools, books or items of interest to carvers please consider putting them up for sale at our show. The AWCA charges a nominal fee of 10% for all items sold.

Razertip.com

We encourage all AWCA members to visit Razertip’s website for all your carving needs via: www.razertip.com.
Razertip Industries Inc. can be contacted toll-free by phone: 1-877-729-3787.

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