

Space Coast Wood Carvers 2026 Annual Competition Entry Form

Entries must be submitted between 7 am and 9 am sharp, January 31st, 2026. Entries must stay on display until 3 pm

Name: _____
 Address: _____ Apt or Unit # _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____
 Club Name, City, State (If Applicable): _____

I hereby affirm that the entries I am submitting are of my own work. If such an entry is found to be entered in an inappropriate category, the entry may be disqualified from judging. I consent that photos of entries and names of participants may be posted on the Space Coast Wood Carvers website and/or be shared with show sponsors and used in advertising. My signature indicates that I have read and will comply with the rules of the show.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Novice	Carving for less than 4 years
Intermediate	Carving more than 4 years and/or consistent Novice winner
Advanced	Anyone, or consistent winners at the Intermediate Level, MUST enter Advanced.

Categories: 1. Birds of Prey 2. Waterfowl 3. Birds-Other 4. Caricatures 5. Realistic Animals
6. Sculpture & Abstract 7. Canes & Walking Sticks 8. Bark Carving 9. Relief Carving 10. Wood Turning
11. Wood Burning 12. Chip Carving 13. Gourd Carving

Are you a Space Coast Wood Carvers member (SCWC)? No Yes

Entry Fees — \$10 for the first item, \$5 for each additional item

Entries: *Only the show committee will assign an item number.*

Skill Level	Category	Item #	Title or Description	Entry Fee
				\$ 10
				\$ 5
				\$ 5
				\$ 5
				\$ 5

All entries must be paid for in: **CASH**

Total Amount Due \$ _____

Questions? Augie Ciresi 443-764-5149

The Space Coast Wood Carvers Show is NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOST, STOLEN AND OR DAMAGED ENTRIES

2025 ANNUAL WOODCARVING COMPETITION

DOORS OPEN 7:00 a.m. Registration: Setup, displays, contest entries, submissions, vendors.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

DATE Saturday, January 31, 2026

LOCATION Eau Gallie Civic Center — 1551 Highland Avenue, Melbourne, FL 32935

Competitors No Door Admission cost

Guest of Competitors \$5 at the door--children under 12 free

Display/Vendor table \$25 (this applies to anyone selling merchandise, carvings or otherwise)

Public Admission \$5 at the door--children under 12 free

COMPETITION ENTRY \$10 for the first item, \$5 for each additional item

PARTICIPATION — The competition is open to all carvers & categories listed

AWARDS

Carvers will be recognized and presented with award ribbons for their carving skill, the artistic quality of their carvings, and the uniqueness of their subject matter or presentation.

Awards & ribbons will be presented for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place in each category.

“BEST OF SHOW” award shall be decided by the judges for each skill level.

“CARVERS CHOICE” award shall be presented after a vote by all competitors attending the show.

“PEOPLES CHOICE” award shall be presented after a vote by all spectators (carvers are not allowed to vote for this award).

JUDGES — Two or three judges may be used for the judging, none of whom can be a club member. One or more judges must have at least 5 years of experience as a carver. Judges shall be experienced wood carvers or experienced artists. If a majority decision cannot be reached by judges, the club president shall break the tie.

JUDGING CRITERIA

- Originality and complexity
- Execution and craftsmanship
- Anatomy (excluding caricatures)
- Finish—Natural, stained, or painted
- Presentation—including bases, habitat, and visual appeal

AWARD SKILL LEVELS AND CATEGORIES

SKILL LEVELS:

I. **NOVICE:** Participants will compete as a group, and a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbon will be awarded for each category. This skill level offers the opportunity for all carvers who are new to carving or exploring a new area of carving to compete with others at a similar skill level.

II. **INTERMEDIATE:** Participants will compete as a group, and a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbon will be awarded for each category. This skill level provides the chance for carvers who have advanced beyond the Novice Level to compete with others at a comparable skill level.

III. **ADVANCED:** Participants will compete as a group, and a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbon will be awarded for each category. The purpose of this Skill Level is to recognize carvers who have achieved a high level of skill and to challenge them by competing against other highly skilled carvers.

SKILL LEVEL/CATEGORY REQUIREMENTS: Once a Best of Show Award has been received, or if you earn a blue ribbon in your current Skill Level and Category, you must automatically move to the next Skill Level. You may choose to move up to the next Skill Level at your own discretion, except for the Advanced Level. Judges also reserve the right to reassign an entry to a different Skill Level or Category.

A “Best of Show” will be awarded for each Skill Level

Categories			
1. Birds of Prey	5. Realistic Animals	9. Relief Carvings	13. Gourd Carving
2. Water Fowl	6. Sculptures & Abstracts	10. Wood Turning	14
3. Birds-Other	7. Canes & Walking Sticks	11. Wood Burning	15
4. Caricatures	8. Bark Carving	12. Chip Carving	16

GENERAL CONTEST RULES

1. It is the responsibility of each participant to enter his/her works in the appropriate category and level of competition. Please read this information carefully and consult with the show committee at registration if you have questions.
2. Each entry must be accompanied by a designated form with the carver's name, skill level, category, and a brief description of the carving. If the carver's name or initials are visible on the submitted piece, they must be covered with tape or other means so that judges cannot see them. Failure to comply will disqualify the piece from receiving an award.
3. Carvings must have been completed within the last two years
4. Carvings must not have won a first place, "Best in Group," or "Best in Show" at a previous Space Coast Annual Woodcarving Show.
5. Carvings must be entirely the work of the entrant.
6. Entries must be primarily made of wood, except for those in categories titled "Other than Wood, Gourds, etc." or otherwise allowed by the committee.
7. Each Individual Carver is responsible for completing the carving entry Form for each carving before arriving for registration and requesting the carving's entry into a specific category.
8. Final determination of each carving's placement in a category shall be made at the time of actual sign-in by a designated SCWC sign-in Club Member or the Competition Chairman at the time of entry.
9. The Judges and Competition Chairperson have the discretion to add, change or create additional categories as carvings are reviewed prior to the beginning of the actual judging of the carvings.
10. Judges' decisions may not be protested or appealed.

The show ends at 3 p.m. No carver's table may be broken down before 3 pm.

If you participated in our last show, your presence helped make our show very successful. We look forward to seeing you again this year. If you could not be with us last time please consider joining us this year. If you plan to enter a carving in our competition this year, we ask that you complete the entry form prior to arriving with your entry. We hope this will speed up the entry registration process. Carvings entered into the competition will remain in the competition area until 3:00 pm for public viewing and people's choice voting.

Scan for more information





Space Coast Wood Carver 2026 Annual Show

Exhibit Tables are available to:

Vendors (those selling other than what they make)-\$25 for each table

Clubs (carving clubs and art clubs)-\$25 for each table

Individuals (those selling that which they make)-\$25 for each table

One table and two chairs are included for each exhibitor.

Exhibitors must provide covers and skirting to the floor for tables.

Bring tarps to catch chips if you plan to carve. No power carving allowed without approval.

Set up time is from 7:00am to 9:00am. A food concession will be available.

All exhibit areas are on a first come first serve basis unless otherwise approved. Application and payment must be received by 7a.m. January 31, 2026. Limited power will be available. If you need power at your table, please bring your own extension cords. All extension cords must be secured to the floor so as not to be a trip hazard. Cords or any other objects considered to pose a trip hazard or danger must be immediately removed.

Payment: Sending a check for the amount required will reserve your table/s. Please fill out all the information below.

If paying in advance, make checks payable to the "Space Coast Wood Carvers" and send to: Tom Anstett, 4700 Portage Trail, Melbourne, FL 32940----Questions about registration: Phone Tom at (407) 325-5424

-----please print-----detach and send in-----

Exhibitor Application

Show Date: January 31, 2026

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Exhibit Description _____

Type of Exhibitor: Vendor ___ Club ___ Individual ___ Tables/spaces needed _____

Carving at table ___ Not carving at table ___ Need electricity _____

Name 2 _____ Name 3 _____

Today's Date: _____