



NEWSLETTER

TEXAS WOODCARVERS GUILD



Registration for the 2025 Spring Round-Up opened in October. If you haven't registered yet don't hesitate a minute longer! Classes are filling up quickly. We have some amazing new teachers this year as well as returning favorites. Start your registration here:

CLICK HERE





EVENT SCHEDULE

4 *Friday* **8:00 AM**
10:00 AM - 2:00PM
Apr **2:00 PM - 5:00 PM**
5:45 PM

TWG Staff Set-up
 Vendor, Instructor, Exhibitor, Show Table Set-up
 Last minute Registration for Seminars
Competition Pieces Accepted
MEET UP AT PINT & PLOW
 322 Clay St., Kerrville, TX 78028

5 *Saturday*
Apr

CLUB DAY **Wear your Club Shirts!**

7:00 AM - 9:00 AM
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
9:15AM
9:00 AM - 1:30 PM
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
2:00 PM
5:30 PM

Final Exhibitor Set-Up
 Competition Pieces Accepted
 Last minute Registration for Seminars
 Weekend Seminars Open
 Texas State Carving Competition Show Judging
 People's Choice Exhibit Voting
Sit & Whittle
BALL ROLLING COMPETITION
 People's Choice Awards
CLUB MEETUPS & DINNERS
If you do not have a Club, or are an Instructor or Vendor, please talk to the Registration Desk and we will be happy to have you join ours for dinner!

6 *Sunday*
Apr

AWARDS DAY

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
11:30 AM
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
2:50 PM
3:00 PM -4:00 PM
4:00 PM -5:00 PM

Registration for Seminars
 Weekend Seminars Open
Sit & Whittle
 Show & Vendors open to the Public
 Texas State Carving Competition Awards Ceremony
WHITTLING CONTEST
 Whittling Contest Awards
 Show Entries & Exhibits Removed
 Instructor Meeting

NOTE: The Hall will be closed and secured at 5:30 PM everyday



EVENT SCHEDULE

7-11

Apr

7:00 AM - 7:30 AM

7:30 AM

8:15 AM

8:30 AM - 4:40 PM

2:30 PM

4:30 PM

DAILY SCHEDULE

TWG Staff, Vendors, & Instructors ONLY

Coffee & Pastries

Morning Announcements

SEMINARS IN SESSION

Open to the Public to observe & Shop with Vendors

SIT & WHITTLE

Raffle Drawing (no drawing on Friday)
Afternoon Announcements

Sweep Up

7 Monday

7:30 AM - 8:15 AM

Apr

5:00 PM

Completion of Registration

TWG Board Meeting

8 Tuesday

Apr

9 Wednesday

5:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Apr

5:35 PM - 6:30 PM

Christmas Ornament Exchange

All Member GUILD BUSINESS MEETING

10 Thursday

5:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Apr

All Member BANQUET

The theme this year is LUAU! Don't forget to wear your tropical attire!

Final Raffle
Auction
C-Max Award

11 Friday

4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Apr

FULL DAY FOR INSTRUCTORS

Finish cleaning up, load up, lock up

SEE EVERYONE NEXT YEAR



2025 Spring Round Up

CLUB CONTEST

The Club Contest is back! The **2025 theme is Fairy Tales**. Entries need to be received no later than 9am on Saturday April 5th. Not in a club, check out the Affiliated Clubs page on the TWG website to find the closest one to you! This competition was established to help build camaraderie within our individual clubs. Participation in this competition is limited to TWG Member Carving Clubs.

The 2025 theme is Fairy Tales. Each club interprets how to best represent the theme with an array of carvings and a cohesive display. Individual Club members may carve one but no more than two carvings specifically for the competition.

This competition will be judged by Guild members and visitors to the Show.

All carvings will be returned to the clubs at the completion of the event.

Please note, copyrighted images are not allowed.

COMFORT ITEM DONATIONS

Our members are some of the most caring and service-oriented people we've ever met. We want to put your heart and hands to good use to give something back to the Kerrville community as a thank you for hosting us every year. Comfort objects are the perfect small project that any member can carve and that we can donate locally in Kerrville. Please find a moment to carve a small smooth comfort object of your choice and bring to the Show on Saturday and Sunday. A basket will be located on the registration table for your donations.

All items will be donated to the VA Hospital in Kerrville. If you, your significant other, friends or family have other handmade items they would like to donate, we are happy to collect them during our show and donate with the comfort objects.

At the end of the newsletter we've included patterns for a comfort bird, heart, and cross for your use.



2025 Spring Round Up



**Only 8
rooms
left!**

Discounted Rates for TWG Members
Group Name: Texas Woodcarvers Guild
Date of Arrival: April 4 - 11, 2025

Rates
Single \$109.00
Double \$119.00
Triple \$119.00
Quad \$129.00
Standard King or Queen

All reservations must be made before March 6, 2025
After this date, reservations will be accepted on a rate and space available basis.

REGISTRATION LINK

When booking your group - click dates of arrival and date of check out, click on the link that says "update". Select your room type and hit book it.
If you prefer to speak to someone to book, please call 800-292-5690

CANCELLATIONS

You may cancel a reservation if received at least 24 hours prior to scheduled arrival date.
A cancellation number must be obtained to receive a refund.



2025 Spring Round Up Additional Logging

LaQuinta Inn & Suites by Wyndam

(830) 896-9200

1940 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028

Super 8 by Wyndam

(830) 896-1511

2127 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028

Hampton Inn

(830) 257-0600

2038 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028

Quality/Comfort Inn & Suites

(830) 792-7700

2001 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028

Days Inn by Wyndam

(830) 896-1000

2000 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028

Y. O. Ranch Hotel & Conference Center

(877) 967-3767

2033 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028

Best Western Sunday House Inn

(830) 896-1313

2124 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028

Holiday Inn Express & Suites

(830) 895-9500

2114 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028

Motel 6 Kerrville

(830) 257-1500

1810 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028

Lone Star Inn

(830) 896-8200

1804 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028

River Trail Cottages

(830) 928-9002

1804 Sidney Baker St., Kerrville, TX 78028



2025 Spring Round Up RV Parks

Kerrville-Schreier Park

(830) 257-5392

2385 Bandera Hwy., Kerrville, TX 78028

Happy Days RV Park

(830) 896-8651

2171 Bandera Hwy., Kerrville, TX 78028

Buckhorn Lake Resort

(830) 895-0007

2885 Goat Creek Rd., Kerrville, TX 78028

Hill County RV Park

(830) 895-3661

2885 Goat Creek Rd., Kerrville, TX 78028

By the River RV Park and Campground

(830) 367-5566

175 Riverview Rd., Kerrville, TX 78028



KERR ARTS & CULTURAL CENTER

Something new and exciting is happening in March 2025! The Texas Woodcarvers Guild will have an exhibition of our carvings at the Kerr Arts & Cultural Center in Kerrville from March 6th to April 4th.

We are looking for carvings to be included in the exhibit! We can include any items you wish to sell as well.

All items will be returned to you during the Round Up.

If you are interested in donating items, please contact us to make arrangements to have them picked up:

- April McNulty, mrsaprilmcnulty@gmail.com, (830) 433-3574
- Jerry McNulty, scouterjer@gmail.com

We will need all items no later than February 16, 2025.

Volunteers needed

There are two positions opening up next year on the Guild Board. If you are interested in learning more about a position, please contact:

Robert Rangel - robthewoodcarver@yahoo.com
Scott Shelburne - scott@unifiedpllc.com

OPENINGS

Volunteers for the open positions will work with the current position holders during the 2025 Spring Round Up to learn the ins and outs of what the position entails..

- Director of Publicity - currently April McNulty
- Show Chairman - currently Robert Rangel



Director of Publicity

The Publicity Director promotes the Guild and Guild events with the goal of growing membership and increasing participation at Guild events. Duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to the following.

- Advertise Guild events in the major woodcarving publications (both printed publications and online resources).
- Interface with Guild carving instructors to assist getting them promotion on the Guild website and in carving publications.
- Coordinate photographing and video recording of Guild events and activities. This includes. Documenting awards, competition winners, whittling contest results, etc.
- Promote placing news articles in carving publications, news media, TV, Radio to announce guild events in advance and report on event activities.
- Draft proposals for paid advertising of Guild shows for Board approval. Once approved work with the show chairperson to draft advertisements. Follow through to get advertisement published in appropriate media in a timely manner.
- Manage the ads on the Members Area home page. This includes interfacing with members wishing to display ads, accepting ad source documents and passing them to the web master, setting guidelines for how ads are displayed and how to cycle ads when more ads exist than space allows.
- Will need basic knowledge of:
 - Page layout/design for newsletter, advertisements, and emails
 - Social media, specifically Facebook



Show Chairman

Preparing for the show

- Order Awards in January and pins if needed. Send invoices to Treasurer for payment
- You will need to have pens, black markers, copy paper, ink for printer, 5X7 Card Stock, stapler, 3-hole punch, envelopes, and round colored sticker labels to identify entries or painter's tape.
- Print out all Novice, Intermediate and Open forms and place them in their folders; all envelopes for prize money and Judges; Entry Forms based off prior years entries; you will probably need to print more at the show; Show Packets

Prior to the show

- Gather a list of volunteers for the following tasks:
 - Setting up Show Tables, there are usually a lot of people that help at the complex.
 - Entering Competition Pieces, you need 3 people, 1 for each Level of competition.
 - You will need Runners to move entries from registration table to exhibition table - At least 3 people, 1 for each Level

Friday Morning 8AM

- Grab everything out of the storage unit for the show (prize pins, table signage, tablecloths, marbles & cups for People's Choice Competition, Stanchions, and center piece we use to elevate Best of Carvings. You will need help.
- Set up all show tables and covers, show table signage, stanchions around the competition show tables, show entry area (to include entry folders for each level), show packets at each Exhibitor and Club table
- Huddle with helpers and review expectations, runners must wear white gloves and handle carvings by their base being very careful with delicate areas of the entries. Entry Attendants should familiarize themselves with the show rules as well as how to receive, catalog and label each entry.
- Hand Treasurer the Prize and Judges Envelopes so they can insert their checks in before the end of the show

Volunteers
needed

Show Chairman

Preparing Friday Afternoon 1PM

- Begin accepting entries in all categories until 5PM
- Enter the information from the folders into the excel workbooks, this will automatically populate the judge's sheets without giving them the competitors name.

Saturday Morning 7AM-9AM

- Resume accepting entries until 9AM
- Huddle with Judges, make sure they understand the rules and expectations. Scoring is fine but all level of pins will be given out.
- Announce at 8:45AM that we are getting close to the end of accepting entries and at 9AM announce the commencement of entries.
- Start the judges on judging the Exhibitors and Club Tables at 9AM
- 9:15 AM Announce People's Choice Award Entries and hand out marbles used for voting, 1 per person.

Saturday Morning 9:30AM

- Enter the information from the Carving Entry folders into the excel workbooks, this will automatically populate the judge's sheets without giving them the competitors name.
- Print out all Novice Judges Forms Along with Judges Award Form and have them start judging, move onto Intermediate and finish with Open Division Forms.
- Set table up to display Award Plaques
- When Judges are finished gather information and fill out Prize Money Winners Form and fill out Table Cards 5X7 Cards with the winner's names, print them, insert them in the acrylic case and set them out on the tables by their category.
- Gather checks from Treasurer
- Announce the winner of the People's Choice Award at 2PM

Sunday 11AM

- Announce award winners



Houston Area Woodcarvers

Attendance has been holding steady at our monthly meetings. The mini-classes taught by members have been fun and interesting – chip carving, wood burning, jointed snowmen. A nice variety of easy to do projects. Many thanks to the members who bring the projects.

To help speed up communications, our club president, Kenan Schultz, started a Group Me group for HAWC. Now, instead of sending multiple texts you only have to send one.

Sadly our 54th Annual Show and Competition was cancelled. We are working on obtaining a location for the 2025 show and hope to have it confirmed in January. The tentative date is October 18, 2025, with classes on the 16th and 17th.

At our December meeting we will have our annual Christmas luncheon – but this year it will be a New Years celebration since we are meeting the Saturday after Christmas.

Merry Christmas and Happy Hannukah!

Carolyn & Preston Smith
Vice President & Webmaster
Houston Area Wood Carvers Club

www.houstonareawoodcarvers.com



Brazoria County Woodcarvers

We welcome all carvers, new, experience, young or old. You can bring any carving you are working on or we can help you start a carving. If you are a new carver we have wood to begin with and we can loan you a knife for carving.

We normally meet at the Brazoria Public Library Meeting Room, 620 S Brooks Street, Brazoria, TX. We will be meeting there in January and February 2025 on the second Saturday of the month from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please check with our Facebook page for dates after this. Please contact the following individual for further information:

Mike Duhon, President, 409-935-8551

Dave Valley, Secretary, 979-244-6646

This year we have has carving classes on Scotty dogs, Gnomes, and Doug Linker pumpkins. In the last several months we, as a club, have been carving a Nativity Scene. It will be displayed at the library and we will bring it to display on our club table at the 2025 TWG Spring Round Up.

In the spring we will be doing a name tag chip carved lettering class. We always others who would be interested in teaching a carving class. We are willing students.



Mike Duhon will be teaching the Beginner Carving class at the 2025 TWG Spring Round Up. Also stop by our club table at the 2025 TWG Spring Round Up and look for many of our members who will be attending carving classes.

SHOW

Rally on the Rio

The 26th Annual Rally on the Rio Woodcarving Seminar 2025 will be held Monday, January 20th through Saturday, January 25th at the Brookhaven Event Center.

Registration

Early Bird Registration prior to December 1st - \$25.00 per participant

Registration starting December 2nd - \$35.00 per participant

Please note, this is the registration cost only. Classes and materials will be additional.

Location

Brookhaven Event Center
404 East Interstate Highway 2
Building C
Pharr, TX 78577

Class Times

Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Saturday 8:00 am to 2:30 pm - Raffle to follow

Club & Show Contact Information

Website: www.rgvwoodcarvers.org

Registration Chair: Brenda Lodermeier

Email: carvingwithclass@gmail.com

CLASS LIST

CLICK HERE





Classes

Members of the Guild teach classes throughout the State. If you teach and would like to be added to our Newsletter, please email mrsaprilmcnulty@gmail.com

<u>Where</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Date</u>
Woodcraft	Austin	Spoon Carving	Joe Gallio	Thursday, December 5th
Woodcraft	San Antonio	Intro to Wood Carving	Jerry McNulty	Saturday, January 11th
Woodcraft	Austin	Intro to Chip Carving	April McNulty	Saturday, February 8th
Woodcraft	Austin	Spoon Carving	Joe Gallio	Thursday, February 13th
Woodcraft	San Antonio	Knife Only Figure	Jerry McNulty	Saturday March 8th

[Woodcraft - San Antonio Classes](#)

[Woodcraft - Austin Classes](#)



Demos

<u>Where</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Date</u>
Woodcraft	Houston SW & North	Spoon Carving	Saturday, February 8th 1pm - 2pm
Woodcraft	Houston SW & North	Sharpening your Tools	Saturday, February 15th 1pm - 2pm
Woodcraft	Houston SW & North	Chip Carving	Saturday, April 26th 1pm - 2pm

[**Woodcraft - Houston SW Demos**](#)

[**Woodcraft - Houston North Demos**](#)

Affiliated Clubs

City	Name	Days	Time
Aransas Pass	<u>Coastal Bend Woodcarvers</u>	Every Tuesday	9am - 12pm
Amarillo	Golden Spread Carvers	1st & 3rd Saturdays	
Austin	<u>Central Texas Woodcarvers</u>	3rd Thursday	6:30pm - 9pm
Beaumont	Southeast Texas Woodcarvers	1st Monday	7pm
Brazoria	Brazoria County Woodcarvers	2nd Saturday	9am - 2pm
Cleburne	TX Woodcarvers Guild Museum	3rd Wednesday	9am
Cleburne	Nolan River Chippers	2nd Thursday	6:00pm - 8:30pm
Denton	Cross Timbers Woodcarvers	Every Tuesday	3pm - 6pm
Fort Clark Springs	Fort Clark Woodcarvers	Monday mornings, Thursday evenings	
Forth Worth	Forth Worth Woodcarvers	Every Thursday	9:30am
Glen Rose	Comanche Peak Tri-County	Every Tuesday	9am - 11am
Georgetown	Georgetown Woodcarvers	Monday Evenings Tuesday Mornings	6:30pm - 8pm 8:30am - 11am
Harlingen	Chip-O-Texas Woodcarvers	Every Tuesday	9am - 4pm
Houston	<u>Houston Area Woodcarvers</u>	4th Saturday	9am - 2pm
Kerrville	Kerr County Carvers	Every Monday	1pm - 3pm
Midland	Mustang Draw Woodcarvers Club	3rd Monday	6:30pm
Mineola	Mineola Carvers	Every Monday	10am - 12pm
New Braunfels	New Braunfels Woodcarvers	Every Wednesday	12:30pm - 3:00pm
Pharr	<u>Rio Grande Woodcarvers</u>	October - March, Every Thursday	8am
Rowlett	<u>Lake Ray Hubbard Woodcarvers</u>	Last Saturday	9am
San Antonio	<u>Alamo Area Woodcarvers</u>	1st & 3rd Saturdays Every Tuesday	10am - 2pm 12:30 - 3:30pm
Sherman	Texoma Woodcarvers	2nd and Last Tuesday	6pm
Whitney	Chapel Chippers	1st & 3rd Thursday	6:30 PM

