

ONE DAY SHOW

A Gourd-geous Autumn

INFORMATION

**SATURDAY, OCT 18
10 AM to 4 PM ET**

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Message from IGS

Due to printing & mailing costs, the two separate books (**Information and Competition**) will be online **only**. Your local public library can help you download and print if you feel you need help.

The Competition and Information Books will have everything needed in them: agenda, competition categories, forms, rules, regulation, etc.

Thank you,
Indiana Gourd Society, Inc.

31st Annual Indiana Gourd Show - 2025

Admission: Free, donations appreciated

Location: Thorntown Public Library
124 N. Market St., Thorntown, IN 46071
Phone: 765-436-7348

Saturday October 18, 2025

Room Setup: 7 to 8 AM ET.
Competition Entry: 8 to 10 AM ET.
Open for public: 10 AM to 4 PM ET.
Membership Meeting: 2 to 4 PM ET.
Closes: 4 PM ET.

For More Information Contact:

Greg Olson: Phone 970-628-6864
or Penny Boyce: Phone 419-438-2595
Email: cochair@indianagourdsociety.org
Visit: www.indianagourdsociety.org

Message from the Show Co-Chairs

Again this year IGS is hosting a one-day gourd show coinciding with our Annual Fall Membership Meeting on Saturday, October 18, at the Thorntown Library. Our theme is: **"A Gourd-geous Autumn."** We look forward to seeing our volunteers at 7-8 AM (ET) for Set-up. Doors open to the public and your family and friends at 10 AM. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Greg Olson, Penny Boyce 2025 Show Co-Chairs
showchair@indianagourdsociety.org

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Show Committee

Chair	Name	Phone	E-mail
SHOW CO-CHAIR	GREG OLSON	(970) 628-6864	cochair@
SHOW CO-CHAIR	PENNY BOYCE	(419) 438-2595	cochair@
Facilities/Competition	Karen Niemeyer	(765) 436-7348	facilities@
Information	Phil Moorhead	(765) 674-8088	infochair@
Judging	Phil Moorhead	(765) 674-8088	judging@
Food	Peggy Robertson	(317)-326-3854	food@
Greeter	Mac McCrary	(317) 783-1428	directorMM@
Membership	Pat Moore	(765) 597-2049	member@
Photographer	Phil Moorhead	(765) 674-8088	photographer@
Publicity	Jack Burger	(574) 242-2821	publicity@
Signs	Sugar Creek Patch	(765) 436-7348	signs@
Silent Auction	Michelle Fife	(765) 436-7348	auction@
State Show Book	Phil Moorhead	(765) 674-8088	showbook@
Make-It, Take-It	Sugar Creek Patch	(765) 436-7348	miti@

For ALL emails above and below -- After the @ symbol add the following:
indianagourdsociety.org

NEW THIS YEAR

- The membership sales booth will be at the greeter's station as people enter the show. Sales at the booth are subject to a 20% commission to IGS.
- There is a new competition category for current season best green-cleaned gourd (any type).

Visit IGS online at:
www.indianagourdsociety.org

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ALL TIMES ARE EASTERN TIME

ENTRY PLACEMENT:	Saturday	Oct 18	8 AM to 10 AM
Judging:	Saturday	Oct 18	10 AM
DOORS OPEN TO PUBLIC:	Saturday	Oct 18	10 AM to 4 PM
Make-It, Take-It	Saturday	Oct 18	Throughout the day
Silent Auction	Saturday	Oct 18	Throughout the day
Membership Meeting	Saturday	Oct 18	2 PM
Announcements	Saturday	Oct 18	3:30 PM
DOORS CLOSED TO PUBLIC	Saturday	Oct 18	4 PM

SHOW WRAP-UP MEETING SCHEDULED

For anyone wishing to attend, there will be a show wrap-up meeting at the Thorntown Library on Nov 15, 2025 at 11am ET. Please attend if you would like to have input on how the show went. We'll also be discussing the 2026 show and possibly moving it to a new venue and expand to two days.

IGS Executive Board and Board of Directors

President:	Denise Bechtold	Thorntown, IN (2024-2025)	president@
1 st VP:	Helen Thomas	Tangier, IN (2023-2024)	1stvp@
2 nd VP:	RoJene Gillentine	Indianapolis, IN (2023-2024)	2ndvp@
Treasurer:	Philip Moorhead	Marion, IN (2023-2024)	treasurer@
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Mem Sec:	Pat Moore	Bloomington, IN (2024-2025)	membership@
Director 1:	Pat Moore	Bloomington, IN (2024-2025)	directorPM1@
Director 2:	Phil Moorhead	Marion, IN (2023-2024)	directorPM2@
Director 3:	Mac McCrary	Indianapolis, IN (2024-2025)	directorMM@
Director 4:	Sandra Townsend	Sheridan, IN (2023-2024)	directorST@
Director 5:	Diane Werblo	Indianapolis, IN (2024-2025)	directorDW@

Volunteers Needed: Help IGS put on a GREAT show. Volunteers needed to help set-up, during the show and to help teardown after the show.

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INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY, INC.

Membership Application

DATE: _____

☐ NEW ☐ RENEW

☐ 1year @ \$15.00

PLEASE PRINT

☐ 3 year @ \$40.00

(Free gift with New or 3yr Membership)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

PHONE _____ COUNTY _____

EMAIL _____

☐ I agree IGS may share my contact information with AGS (American Gourd Society)

YOU WILL RECEIVE AN ELECTRONIC TENDRIL UNLESS YOU SEND A WRITTEN REQUEST WITH YOUR APPLICATION.

Make your CHECK payable to the INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY, INC. (IGS)

MAIL TO: INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY, INC., 691 W Veach Rd, Bloomington, IN 47832

Visit the IGS Web site at: www.indianagourdsociety.org

Visit Your Friendly Ways & Means Store At The Show

We have Jim Story DVD and Books for sale

A Trash or Treasure Table

Jim Story DVDs© - \$20.00 each

The Companion Book "Gourds - From Vine to Design" - \$10.00 each

Jim Story DVD's are copyrighted by the Indiana Gourd Society and may NOT be duplicated in any manner. (All rights are reserved.)

Contact Phil Moorhead about the DVDs and Books at:
treasurer@indianagourdsociety.org

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Volunteer Registration Form

Mail completed form to:

IGS Registrations

P.O. Box 822

Marion, Indiana, 46952

E-mail: volunteer@indianagourdsociety.org

Phone: Phil Moorhead at: (765) 674-8088

Pre-register DEADLINE: RECEIVED– October 1.

Your time and volunteer efforts contribute toward a successful Indiana Gourd Show.

Full form is available at: www.indianagourdsociety.org

Name:	
Address:	
City/St./Zip:	
E-Mail:	
Phone/Cell #:	
Volunteer For:	Fill in area below

Volunteer for a **total of 2 hours or more**, in the following areas: Setup, Admissions, Greeters, Gourd Exhibit Area, AGS Judges, Education, Ways & Means, Auctions, Membership, Tear-down, or anywhere IGS needs you.

Please list times and areas you would like to work in, if you have a preference.

Saturday, Oct 18: Time: _____ **to** _____ **in** _____

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Comments:

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IGS Member Sales Booth--A Membership "Perk"

Pre-register DEADLINE: RECEIVED BY– October 1.

Mail completed form to: IGS Registration, P.O. Box 822, Marion, IN. 46952

E-mail: igssalesbooth@indianagourdsociety.org

Phone: Diane Werblo at: (317) 783-1428

This form is available at: www.indianagourdsociety.org

Have some gourd art you would like to SELL, but not enough to merit a full booth space? Here's your chance to SELL your gourds. ANY active IGS member, may have up to 10 items in the IGS Member Sales Booth, as space allows. You must pre-register to sell and **volunteer to work 1 hour or more where IGS assigns you.**

Sellers: Each member is responsible for tagging their own gourds and getting them to and from the booth. A seller may leave a tote hidden in booth with extra gourds to replace gourds that sell. You may use your craft/gourd business card; this is recommended to give the buyer your name and contact info. Seller will have the say as to what items go on display first, if space is a problem or your sold gourds need replaced. IGS will make payment to sellers, by check, at the end of show.

Booth Chair: Is responsible for setting up the booth. All gourd items will be placed randomly, but appealingly, in the booth space.

NOTE: IGS will take a 20% commission from the sale.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

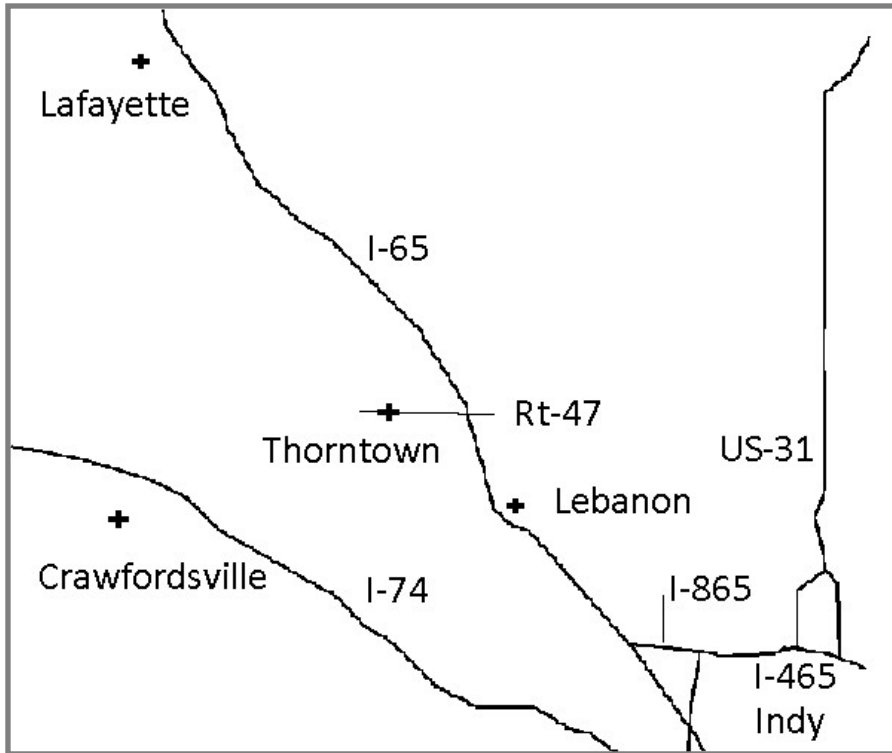
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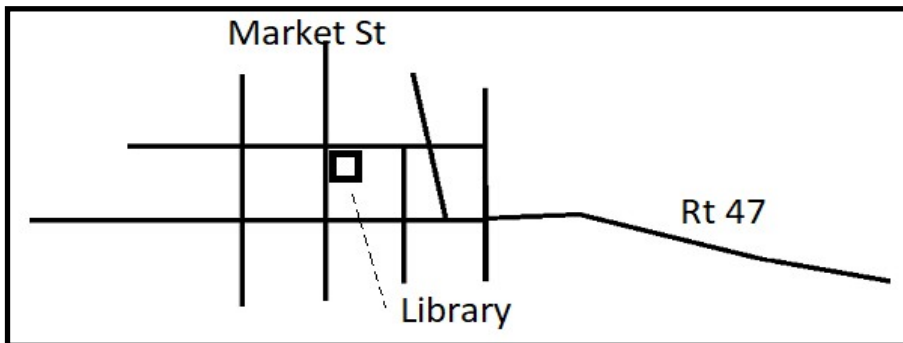
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Central Indiana Map



Thorntown Area Map



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