



## President's Message

*Pat Moore*

Our show plans for the 2023 State Gourd Show are MOVING right along and we are "On the Road Again" —the location, date, time, length of the show for 2023. A one day show on Saturday, April 8, 2023 will be held at Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds and Conference Center, 1900 E. Main St. in Danville, Indiana 46122. The theme for the IGS 2023 Gourd Show is "**On the Road Again.**"

The 2023 Competition Show Book and Information Book are now on-line. Some important changes were made to the Competition Book, so look at it carefully. We have fewer Competition Categories/classes this year. Also the competition levels went from four (N, I, A, M) to two (A - Amateur, P - Professional).

**Amateur:** Is at beginning/intermediate skill level of a technique or category. Does not sell any art/craft work or teach classes for money.

**Professional:** Is **beyond** intermediate skill level of a technique or category. May sell art/craft work or teach classes for money.

**All Entrants:** May NOT regress if entering a new technique or category. That is, if you are a professional in one technique, you must enter any other technique as a professional.

The Workshop Flyer will be on line in February, 2023. IGS is looking for workshop teachers/classes for the 2023 show. If you are interested, see the Teachers Application 2023 in this *Tendril*, or on the IGS Website. The 2023 Vendors Form is also in this *Tendril* and on the website. So come join us!

**"On the Road Again"**

April 8, 2023, 9 a.m. ET—5 p.m. ET  
Stay Safe and Healthy!  
Have a GOURD Day!

## Patch Schedules

### West Central Indiana Gourd Patch

*Meets third Thursdays, 1:30-4:30 p.m. ET at the Hendricks Co fairgrounds in Danville*

Meetings on hold until pandemic is over.

### Linda's Gourd Patch

*Meets third Saturdays at home of Peggy Robertson, 1224 W 300 N, Greenfield at 2-4 p.m. ET*

*For more info, contact Peggy Robertson 317-326-3854*

1-21-23: TBD

2-17-23: TBD

### Central Indiana Patch

*Meets second Tuesdays at Garfield Park Arts Center in Indy, 1-3 p.m. ET*

1-10-23: Begin Valentine's Day projects

2-14-23: Finish Valentine's Day projects

3-14-23: Work on items for State Show

### Sugar Creek Gourd Patch

*Meets first and third Wednesdays at Thorntown Public Library, 2-4 p.m. ET*

No meetings in January

2-1-23: Make gourd lamps

2-15-23: Make gourd lamps

3-1-23: Make gourd lamps

3-15-23: Make gourd lamps

4-5-23: Make rain sticks

4-19-23: Make rain sticks

5-3-23: Make rain sticks

5-17-23: Make rain sticks

### Gourd Crafters Patch

*Ridgeville Lion's Club building, 2-4 p.m. ET*

Contact Lois Wright for details.

**Please contact patch leaders for dates/  
times as we slowly come back to a new  
normal.**

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# PATCH NEWS

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## Sugar Creek Gourd Patches (Karen Niemeyer, contact)

The patch will not meet in January but plans to resume on February 1 and 15 and March 1 and 15 at Thorntown Public Library, 124 N. Market St., Thorntown, from 2-4 p.m. ET to make gourd lamps . On Wednesday, April 5 and 19 and May 3 and 17 the plan is to make rain sticks from 2-4 p.m. ET. There is usually no cost to participate, but Karen Niemeyer needs to know if you will attend and will need supplies. There may be a cost for lamp parts. Call her at the library at 765-436-7348.

## Central Indiana Patch (Diane Werblo, contact)

CIP now meets second Tuesdays from 1-3 p.m. at the Garfield Park Arts Center, 2432 Conservatory Dr, Indianapolis, IN 46203. We did not meet in November due to Election Day. In December Mary Johnson led us in decoupage holiday designs (not necessarily Christmas) on pre-painted gourds using tissue paper and napkins. Michelle Fife played her "Best of Show" 3-gourd dulcimer for us. In January and February we will focus on Valentine's Day. We will work on items for the State Show in March.

## Ways & Means

We have some end-of-stock Aurelia Conway books on gourds. We are selling them at a super discount price, all prices below include shipping/handling/postage.

Caps and visors:	\$14	Send check payable to IGS to Phil Moorhead PO Box 822 Marion, IN 46952
Jim Story DVD:	\$23	
Jim Story <i>Gourds: From Vine to Design</i> book:	\$15	
Aurelia Conway books:		
<i>Gourd Purses, Decorative Painting #9728</i>	\$13.50	Please send e-mail or phone in case we need to contact you
<i>How to Paint a Gourd #9606</i>	\$13.50	

## PATCH CONTACTS

Central Indiana	Indianapolis	Diane Werblo	317-783-1428
Gourd Crafters	Ridgeville	Lois Wright	317-370-1418
Lakeshore Gourders	Valparaiso	Inactive	
Linda's Patch	Greenfield	Peggy Robertson	317-326-3854
		Rosemary Hill	317-753-9459
Patch 4	West Lafayette	Inactive	
Story Gourd Patch	Pendleton	Inactive	
Sugar Creek	Thorntown	Karen Niemeyer	765-436-7518
West Central Indiana	Avon	Shirley Gates	317-306-6383

**Vendor Application Form  
Indiana Gourd Society, Inc., 2023 Show**

Mail completed form and check to: This form is available at: [www.indianagourdsociety.org](http://www.indianagourdsociety.org)  
 IGS Registration E-mail: [vendor@indianagourdsociety.org](mailto:vendor@indianagourdsociety.org)  
 P.O. Box 822 Phone: Diane Werblo: (317) 783-1428  
 Marion, Indiana, 46952 **DEADLINE: Received - April 1, 2023**  
**Non-Compliance:** Failure to comply with regulations may prohibit any vendor from future participation in other Indiana Shows. Show committee decision is final.  
 Give a detailed description of what you are selling at the Indiana Gourd Show: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:	
Business name:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
E-Mail:	
Phone/Cell No.	& Best time to call:
IGS Member:	Circle: YES NO

Describe any free demonstrations you are willing to do. Specify— Demo area or your booth.

Vendors will receive two (2) name tags per booth space rented. Additional tags may be purchased for \$5.00 each – list names below. Tags serve as your weekend SHOW PASS when worn. To be picked up on Thursday or a door fee will be charged on Friday and Saturday.

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*Spaces available on a first-come, first-paid bases, as space is limited inside.\*\*\***

#	Inside booth space (10' X 10') @ \$25 each.	\$
#	Outside booth space (16' X 24') @ \$25 each.	\$
#	Tables (6' X 30") @ \$5 each. (you may bring your own). We recommend you cover table tops.	\$
#	Chairs - @ \$2 each. (you may bring your own).	\$
#	Electricity @ \$5.00/vendor. Demonstrators given electrical preference. No extension cords or surge suppressors provided.	\$
#	Additional name tags @ \$5.00 each (write names on separate sheet).	\$
TOTAL	Make check payable to: Indiana Gourd Society, Inc. (IGS) and mail with application.	\$

**Vendor Regulations - 2023**

Contact: Diane Werblo, Phone: (317) 783-1428 Email: [vendor@indianagourdsociety.org](mailto:vendor@indianagourdsociety.org)  
 Selection: Inside and outside spaces available.  
 Set-Up: Saturday, April 8, 2023 morning before 8 AM ET  
 Vendor packets available that morning.  
 ID Badges: Up to two (2) preprinted Name badges per booth space rented. Tags may be picked up Saturday morning. These badges must be worn during the show hours as your Show Pass into the Shows Venue Area. Additional badges may be purchased for \$5.00.

**Vendor Policy - IGS State Show - 2023**

The Indiana Gourd Society, Inc. will not create a policy that will eliminate any vendor from demonstrating or selling any Brand Name merchandise or determine any price structure for merchandise sold, thereby eliminating competition between vendors. This has been the position of the Indiana Gourd Society, Inc. in the past and shall continue to be in the future.

**Location and Booth Space:** IGS Board of Directors  
 • Dry Gourd Vendors (with cleaned gourds) will be allowed inside, if space is available.  
 • Outside Space, approximately 16' x 24'.  
 • Inside Space, approximately 10' x 10'.  
 • Booth locations, assigned by the committee according to show layout.

- Specific requests will be considered, but cannot be guaranteed.
- Demonstrations in the booth are limited to the confines of the booth. Demonstrations must be completed during show hours, must not produce a "make-it-take-it" item, or charge a fee.
- Manning the booth is the responsibility of the person applying for the booth space. Vendor is responsible for staffing booth during show hours. As a courtesy to neighboring vendors, no booth is to be left unattended during show hours.
- We recommend table tops be covered, skirting not required.

**Permits, Merchandise and Sales:** Each vendor is responsible for all Federal/Indiana taxes (forms at Dept. of Revenue, Indianapolis, Ind.)

- Merchandise must be at least seventy-five percent (75%) gourd and/or gourd-related. Any other merchandise and/or vendors will be by IGS invitation only.
- NO SALE of plastic items, artificial flowers or fractal burned gourds is permitted.
- Committee reserves the right to reject and/or restrict vendor due to space constraints, condition and/or quality of sale merchandise, sale of inappropriate items for this show or sub-standard booth appearance.
- All imported sale gourds must be clearly marked, "Imported from \_\_\_\_\_" (specify country).
- Sales begin after your booth has been set up and continues throughout show hours.

**Teardown:** Vendors may teardown after 5:00 PM on Saturday. Merchandise sell-out does NOT constitute a reason to dismantle your booth or remove merchandise prior to the designated teardown time.

**Security:** Reasonable security will be provided for all show participants by the Indiana Gourd Society, Inc. and Hendricks Co. Fairgrounds & Conference Center. (See security disclaimer on page 6.)

**Refunds:** No refunds issued on cancellations received after April 1, 2023. (FIRM)  
**\*\*\* ALL Vendors are asked to donate one (1) or more items to IGS for the Silent Auction and enter three (3) gourds or more into competition.**

## 29th Annual Indiana Gourd Show - 2023

### Workshop Instructor Application For April, 2023

<b>Show Date</b> <b><u>2023</u></b> <b><u>Saturday of Easter</u></b> <b><u>Weekend</u></b> <b>April 8, 2023</b>	<b>Location</b> Hendricks Co Fairgrounds & Conference Ctr 1900 E Main St, Danville, IN 46122 <b>Deadline to return Instructor Applications</b> <b><u>In our hands by Feb. 14, 2023</u></b> <b><u>For application and photos</u></b> <b><u>(Post office can take up to two weeks to deliver)</u></b>
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To be considered by the Workshop Committee, **applications and photos of proposed projects must be completed, returned and in our hands by Feb. 14, 2023**. Send to IGS Workshops, Phil Moorhead, PO Box 822, Marion, IN 46952, or scan and e-mail to (workshops@indianagourdsociety.org) We prefer digital photos 300dpi or better. **Please send a separate application for each workshop.**

Name of Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Title of Workshop: \_\_\_\_\_

Workshop Description: \_\_\_\_\_

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List of materials/supplies students need to have (you supply gourds): \_\_\_\_\_

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Special requirements: (electricity, water, vent, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Class size: (Minimum #) One (1) to (Maximum #) \_\_\_\_\_

IGS request your fee be \$30 or less for a technique and/or completed gourd.

Workshop charge (your fee): \$\_\_\_\_\_ (IGS will add \$5.00 to your class fee) \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Circle one answer from each line:**

⇒ Will participant leave with finished technique or gourd? Yes No

⇒ Project Level: Beginner Intermediate Advanced All Levels

⇒ Time required for workshop: 1-hour 2-hours 3-hours

⇒ Day/time preferred for workshop:

Any time Saturday Saturday - AM Saturday PM

Times that will NOT work: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* Instructors, if you submit a class and it is selected, IGS considers you committed to teach that class.**

## ROAD TRIPS

*2023—courtesy of AGS*  
(www.americangourdsociety.org)

- Feb 3-5: Arizona Gourd Society Gourd Art Competition.  
Www.arizonagourdsociety.org
- Feb 23-26: Florida Gourd Society Festival, Azan  
Shriners Center, Melbourne, FL  
www.flgourdsoc.org
- Apr 8: Indiana Gourd Society State Show, Hendricks Co  
Conference Center & Fairgrounds, Danville, IN  
www.indianagourdsociety.org
- Apr 15-16: Show Me Gourd Society Fine Art Festival,  
Ozark Empire Fairgrounds, Springfield, MO  
showmegourdsociety.org
- Jun 7-11: North Carolina Gourd Gathering, Smoky  
Mountain Event Center, Waynesville, NC
- Jun 15-17: Pennsylvania Gourd Society Festival,  
Lebanon Valley Expo Center, Lebanon, PA  
www.pagourdsociety.org

**If you plan to go to any of these events,  
please check the AGS website at  
www.americangourdsociety.org or that  
state website to determine if the event is  
still taking place.**

\* \* IGS Events \* \*

## IGS Board Meeting

January 7, 2023 (Snow day Jan 14)  
10 a.m. ET  
Thorntown Library  
Thorntown, IN

## IGS State Gourd Show

April 8, 2023  
9 a.m. ET - 5 p.m. ET  
Hendricks Co Conference Center & Fairgrounds  
Danville, IN 46122  
Admission Fee to the show  
[This is an IGS Sponsored Event]

## Indiana State Fair

TBD, 2023  
State Fairgrounds  
1202 E 38th St  
Indianapolis, IN 46205  
[Note: The fair charges an entry fee]

## IGS Membership Meeting

October 21, 2023, 10 a.m. ET  
Thorntown Public Library  
124 N Market St  
Thorntown, IN 46071  
[This is an IGS Sponsored Event]

## HOLD THESE DATES!

	State Show	Membership Meeting (Thorntown)
2023:	April 8, 2023	October 21, 10 a.m. ET

**Do you have some extra spinner gourds?  
We are in need of many to use at the State  
Fair and State Show in 2023. Contact  
Karen Niemeyer (765-436-7518) if you  
can spare any.**

**Remember to inform IGS if you  
have a postal address, e-mail or  
phone change. We would like to  
keep our records current!**

The IGS was formed and exists pursuant to the Indiana Not-for-Profit corporation statute Sect. 501 (c) (5). The corporation has never attained Sect. 501 (c) (3) status of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, gifts to IGS are not deductible for income tax purposes.

Address Change: Fill out form and mail to indicated address below.

INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY, INC.  NEW  RENEW ID# \_\_\_\_\_  
Membership Application DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 1 year @ \$15.00  3 year @ \$40.00 Patch # \_\_\_\_\_  
PLEASE PRINT (Free gift with New or 3yr Membership)  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
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CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
DO YOU WANT ELECTRONIC *TENDRIL*? CIRCLE YES or NO  
Make your CHECK payable to the INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY, INC.  
MAIL TO: INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY, INC., 691 W Veach Rd, Bloomingdale, IN  
47832  
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All submissions welcome!

### Issue: Articles Due:

*Jan/Feb*      *Dec 1*  
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### ARTICLES MUST BE IN MS WORD OR RTF FORMAT.

Send as an attachment to your email or mail your submissions to the above address. Please send us your pictures, stories, tutorials, and anything else gourd-related plus your suggestions for improving or inclusion in *The Tendril*. We reserve the right to edit for content, style, or to fit printing requirements

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