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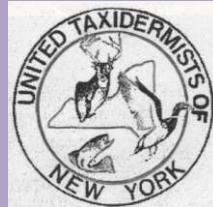
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# **UNITED TAXIDERMISTS OF NEW YORK 2026**

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Hello Everyone,

I hope this cold and snowy winter finds you well. The board is busy putting together a great show. We are a couple weeks later this year so hopefully the weather will be more like spring. We have an exciting lineup of judges willing to share their decades of experience.

Our first mount off was held last year and was a great success! We are going to do it again this year but is no longer limited to game heads. Feel free to mount anything you wish. The lighting problem is being addressed but you may want to bring your headlamp just the same..

It's been a few years since we have had a Thursday workshop. This year we are excited to have Terry Weick , our bird and fish judge, offering a full day molding and casting seminar. Terry is going to cover a wide range of topics including equipment needed, materials, and techniques to help you cast your own parts for birds, fish, and mammals. The cost is a bargain at \$250 for the entire day with lunch provided.

We have a new website this year and you can register and pay online if you wish. Special thanks to our webmaster Ashley Hess!

We are looking forward to seeing you at the show!

Jerry St.Pierre  
UTNY President



*Check Out Our New Website!*

**[www.newyorktaxidermyassociation.com](http://www.newyorktaxidermyassociation.com)**

*Special Thanks to our Web Master*

**ASHLEY HESS**

***Find all the Show Information  
New On-line Registration***

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New York***

# UTNY's 2026 WHITETAIL JUDGE FRED BARILLA



**Fred Barilla is the owner and operator of Wild Memories Taxidermy on Long Island, NY.**

**Fred has won numerous top awards, including the Breakthrough Award, Wasco Award, National Champion, North American Champion, and Second in World titles.**

**He has judged and performed seminars throughout the northeastern United States and Canada, including the National Taxidermists Association and World Taxidermy Championships.**

**Fred is well known for incorporating artistic design and composition into his pieces.**

**We look forward to having him share his knowledge with everyone at the show!**



# UTNY'S 2026 BIRD & FISH JUDGE TERRY WEICK



I am Terry Weick and I'm honored to have the great opportunity to Judge and share at your up-and-coming Convention. I have been involved in Taxidermy since the age of 11, now at 58 I still live in Hopkins Michigan where I grew up. In 1990 I joined the Michigan Taxidermist Association and recently have been inducted in the Michigan Taxidermist Hall of Fame. Being a part of several Taxidermy associations over the years, allowed me to meet and learn from some very talented people. In 1992 I opened a full-time studio doing all phases of Taxidermy, with Fish being my favorite. The willingness to learn from other instructors, along with attending seminars and competing helped shaped my success. For the last 15 plus years I have been fortunate to be a Judge /instructor for several State shows as well as Ontario, Quebec, New Zealand and Australia.

At that beginning, learning was from trial and error. The Northwest School of Taxidermy correspondence course gave me direction. Today we are fortunate to have great associations and mentors willing to share the latest techniques. During my struggles with Taxidermy I never gave up and always was looking for a solution to my disastrous attempts.

Competing is something I still enjoy but rarely have time for, it pushes my focus to do the very best that I'm capable of and gives myself creativity we often don't get in a commercial setting. Twenty plus years of attending Taxidermy conventions I have been blessed many awards including Several Breakthrough's and 3 Gold Ackley "World" medallions. But the Best awards are the friendships and connections I have made. I am truly honored to be your judge and instructor for the 2026 convention.

Thank you,  
Terry Weick

# UTNY's 2026 Mammal & Gamehead Judge

## CODY BENGEL



My name is Cody Benge, and I am a professional taxidermist with a lifelong connection to the craft. I grew up in Oregon, where taxidermy was part of my life from an early age and quickly became more than just a skill. It became a passion. That early start shaped my respect for wildlife, attention to detail, and commitment to creating accurate, lifelike work. I now am fortunate enough to call Wyoming home.

I currently work under Dawayne Dewey, as well as running a shop with my fiance Melanie Hughes, gaining valuable experience and refining my techniques every day. I have competed in taxidermy competitions across the western United States as well as at the World Taxidermy Championships, always pushing myself to improve. Outside the shop, I enjoy hunting, fishing, and spending time outdoors, drawing inspiration from the landscapes and wildlife that fuel my work.

# 2026 PRESIDENTS CHALLENGE

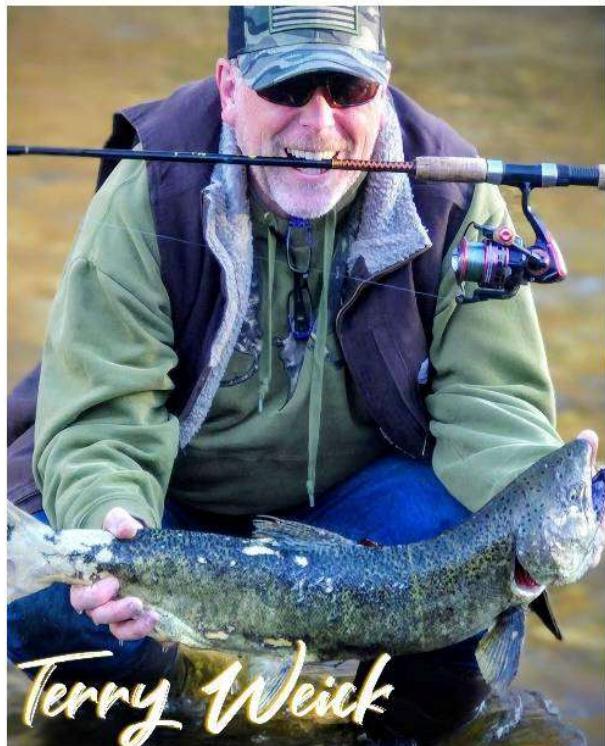
## "ANY EXOTIC SHEEP"

\$10  
Entry  
Fee



# Thursday All-Day Casting & Molding Seminar with Terry Weick

APRIL 16TH 9AM - 3PM  
MEMBERS PAY \$250  
LUNCH INCLUDED



LIVE DEMONSTRATION WILL COVER ALL ASPECTS OF MOLDING AND CASTING.

LEARN HOW TO MAKE YOUR OWN BIRD PARTS, FISH HEADS & FINS, AND MAMMALS PARTS.

TOPICS INCLUDE:

- \*EQUIPMENT REQUIRED
- \*TYPES OF \*SILICONE MOLD MAKING MATERIAL
- \*SETTING UP AND MAKING MOLDS
- \*TYPES OF CASTING MATERIAL AND THEIR USES
- \*CASTING TECHNIQUES
- \*TROUBLE SHOOTING

\*\*\* Seating is limited, pre-registration and payment is required by April 1st. Contact Jerry St Pierre @ 607-761-9709 or Don Miller @ 316-596-8909 with any questions and to RESERVE a seat. You can make your payment via online registration or mail-in registration\*\*\*



# UTNY'S 2026 MOUNT OFF

COMPLETE ANY MAMMAL OR BIRD  
MOUNT OF YOUR CHOICE IN  
4 HOURS!  
WITH A 30 MIN TOUCH UP TIME  
THE FOLLOWING MORNING

CAN YOU DO IT?!



\$25 Entry Fee

MEMBERS VOTE UTNY'S  
MOUNT OFF CHAMPION!  
WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED DURING  
THE BANQUET CEREMONY AND AWARDED  
THE UTNY MOUNT OFF TROPHY!

CHECK OUT THE LIST OF  
THE MOUNT OFF RULES &  
MORE INFO ON OUR  
FACEBOOK PAGE AND IN  
THE NEWSLETTER!

# UTNY'S Mount Off Rules and Info

THIS FUN EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE ATRIUM, ON FRIDAY, APRIL 17TH, AT 6 PM. (DURING THE WARM-UP PARTY!)

- THE COST TO PARTICIPATE IS \$25. (THERE WILL BE A SPOT ON YOUR REGISTRATION TO ENTER)
  - ANY MAMMAL OR BIRD MOUNT CAN BE ENTERED!  
WE'RE SHAKING THINGS UP THIS YEAR, WE ADDED BIRDS!  
ALSO, YOU CAN BRING A SHOULDER, ½ LIFESIZE OR EVEN A LIFESIZE MOUNT! (IF YOU THINK YOU CAN DO IT!)
  - PARTICIPANTS CAN SET UP THEIR WORK STATION AFTER 4PM.
- MEMBERS WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO VOTE ON THEIR FAVORITE MOUNT BEFORE THE BANQUET! (VOTING BALLOTS WILL BE HANDED OUT IN THE SHOWROOM DURING RIBBON VIEWING AND ALSO IN THE ATRIUM WHERE THE TICKET BOX WILL BE PLACED)
- MOUNT OFF WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED DURING THE BANQUET AND AWARDED THEIR TROPHY!
- PARTICIPANTS WILL HAVE EXACTLY 4 HOURS TO COMPLETE THEIR MOUNT. THE MOUNTS WILL BE LOCKED UP FOR THE NIGHT UNTIL THE FOLLOWING MORNING, WHERE THE PARTICIPANTS WILL HAVE AN ADDITIONAL 30 MINUTES TO COMPLETE FINAL TOUCH-UPS.
- FORMS MAY BE ALTERED, ANTLER/HORN SETS COMPLETED, AND ALL CAPE PREP MAY BE COMPLETED PRIOR.
  - FORMS SHOULD BE UNPREPPED AND BARE!  
CLAY WORK AND BONDO EARS(IF DOING) ARE TO BE COMPLETED DURING THE MOUNT OFF.
- PARTICIPANTS MUST PROVIDE ALL THEIR OWN SUPPLIES AND MOUNTING TOOLS NEEDED.

\*\*THIS YEAR WE WILL BE PROVIDING EXTRA LIGHTING, BUT YOU MAY WANT TO BRING YOUR OWN HEADLIGHTS OR WORKLIGHTING INCASE YOU NEED MORE!\*\*

★★★ THIS EVENT IS MEANT TO BE FUN, LOW-KEY, ENTERTAINING, AND EVEN EDUCATIONAL SO, IF YOU'RE NOT INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING, PLEASE JOIN IN TO WATCH AND CHEER ON THE "MOUNTERS" WHILE HAVING A SLICE OF PIZZA AND A DRINK AND ENJOY ALL THE COMRADERY!

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## 2026 UTNY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

TIME	Room Name	Event
<b><u>Thursday, April 16</u></b>		
9am - 3pm	Fillmore	<b>Special Molding and Casting Seminar with Terry Weick</b>
4pm – 4:30pm	Ballroom	Board of Directors Meeting
4:30pm	Ballroom/ Breakout	Set up competition and supply areas (everyone's help is needed)
6pm – 9pm	Ballroom	Registration and competition pieces received
<b><u>Friday, April 17</u></b>		
8am – 4:30pm	Ballroom	Pre-registered competition pieces received
8am – 12:00pm	Ballroom	Walk-in and Board member registration and pieces received
9am – 11:30am	Boardroom	<b>Seminar #1 DJ and Tyler Cornish, Ashley Hess- Raw Cape Turning and Fleshing plus Tanned Cape Final Prepping for Mounting</b>
10am	Ballroom	Supply Area Opens
12:00pm	Ballroom	Judges Meeting and Judging Begins
1pm – 4pm	Fillmore	<b>Seminar #2 Kevin Flaherty- Mounting a Hooded Merganser</b>
1pm – 4pm	Boardroom	<b>Seminar #3 Brian Noody – Sculpting a Small Mammal Replacement Head.</b>
5pm – 6pm	Ballroom	Competition room open for viewing and voting for awards
6pm – 7pm	Burger Theory	Warm-up Party!!!! Food and drink provided
6pm – 10pm	Pool Atrium	Mount Off
<b><u>Saturday, April 18</u></b>		
8am – 2:30pm	Ballroom	Supply Area Open
8:30am – 11am	Fillmore	<b>Seminar #4 Fred Barilla- Competition Whitetail Techniques. What Judges are looking for and how to get there.</b>
8:30am – 11am	Boardroom	<b>Seminar #5 Cody Benge- Building Balanced Habitats.</b>
11am – 4 pm	Ballroom	Competition room open for viewing of ribbons and judges critiques
1pm – 3 pm	Fallsview	<b>Kids Seminar</b>
1pm – 4 pm	Fillmore	<b>Seminar #6 John Connelly- How to Make Your Business More Profitable.</b>
1pm – 4pm	Boardroom	<b>Seminar #7 Brian Livernois – Mounting A Bear Shoulder Mount Using A Cast Lip System</b>
2:30pm – 4pm	Ballroom	Supply area breakdown
6pm – 6:30pm	Ballroom	Cocktail Hour – Bar Open
6:30pm	Ballroom	<b>UTNY Banquet, Auction &amp; Awards Ceremony</b>
<b><u>Sunday, April 19</u></b>		
9:00 am	Ballroom	Membership Meeting <b>Voting for vacant board positions will be done at this meeting. It is important that all UTNY members attend!</b>

Competition pieces may be removed after the membership meeting.

Please bring your mount ticket(s) to pick up your mount(s).

Your help is needed – please stay after to help breakdown the competition area!

**\*\*\*SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\***

*Be Sure to Attend the Banquet  
Saturday Night*

*Buffet Dinner*



*Auction*



*Awards Ceremony*



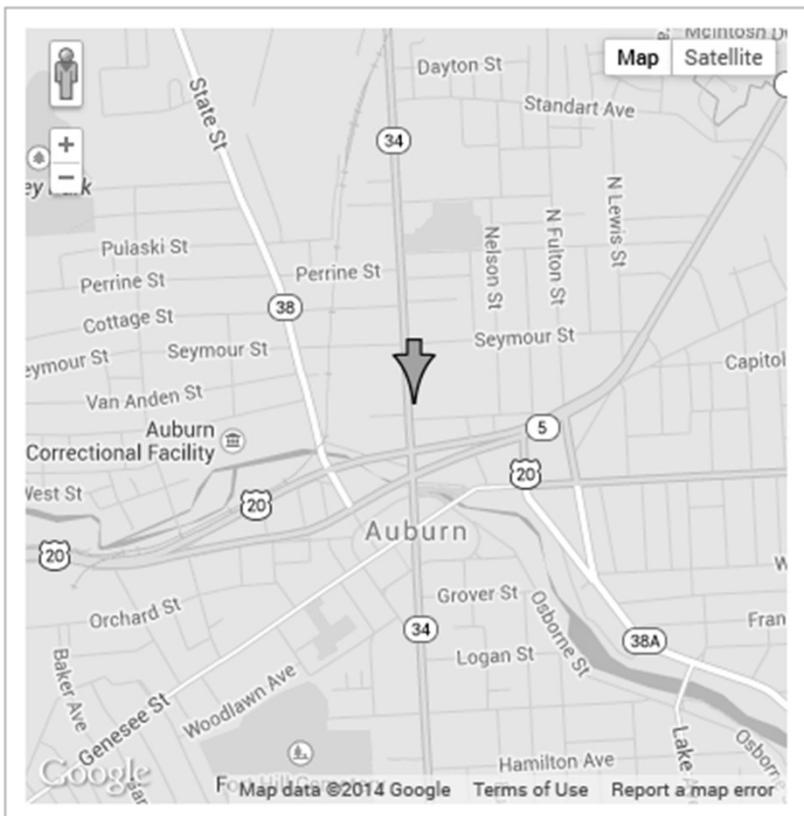
*\*\*Please remember to bring your meal tickets and Auction Tags \*\**



Holiday Inn

75 North St.  
Auburn, New York, 13021  
Phone: 315-253-4531

**Be sure to reserve by 4/2/26 to get the  
\$129/night UTNY Rate ! Booking  
Code is UTA**



**From Interstate 90:** Get off exit 40 Weedsport turn right on NY Rt 34 South. After about 8 miles the hotel is on the right.

**From Interstate 81:** Get off exit 15 in Lafayette. Turn left on NY Rt 20 West. Hotel is about 26 miles at the intersection of Rts 20 and 34

**Nearest Airport:** Syracuse (Hancock International)

Call the hotel to reserve or use this online booking link:

[https://www.ihg.com/redirect?path=rates&brandCode=HI&localeCode=en&regionCode=1&hotelCode=syrau&checkInDate=16&checkInMonthYear=032026&checkOutDate=19&checkOutMonthYear=032026&\\_PMID=99801505&GPC=UTA&cn=no&adjustMonth=false&showApp=true&monthIndex=00](https://www.ihg.com/redirect?path=rates&brandCode=HI&localeCode=en&regionCode=1&hotelCode=syrau&checkInDate=16&checkInMonthYear=032026&checkOutDate=19&checkOutMonthYear=032026&_PMID=99801505&GPC=UTA&cn=no&adjustMonth=false&showApp=true&monthIndex=00)

#### Nearby Area Attractions...

- **Bass Pro Shops**
- **Waterloo Outlet Stores**
- **Skaneateles Shops**
- **Wineries**

# 2026 Special Awards

- UTNY Mount Off Award: Taxidermist Vote
- McKenzie Taxidermists Choice Fish Award: Taxidermist vote
- McKenzie Taxidermists Choice Bird Award: Taxidermist vote
- McKenzie Taxidermists Choice Whitetail Award: Taxidermist vote
- McKenzie Taxidermists Choice Mammal Award: Taxidermist vote
- UTNY Taxidermists Choice Gamehead Award: Taxidermist vote
- UTNY Habitat Award: Judges Choice for Habitat – All Entries
- Warren Hardendorf Memorial Award: Judges Choice for Small Mammal in Masters
- Tru Bond Trappers Award: Judges Choice for Best Indigenous New York small mammal
- UTNY Dennis Mortenson's Presidents Challenge Award: Chosen by President
- UTNY Distinguished Taxidermist Award: Am/Pro - Highest Total Score of 3 Pieces (Min score 260)
- UTNY Distinguished Taxidermist Award: Masters - Highest Total Score of 3 Pieces (Min Score 260)
- Best All Around Taxidermist: Highest Total Score of Mammal, Bird, Fish, Gamehead any Div (Min Score 340)
- McKenzie Distinguished Service Award: Voted by UTNY Board
- UTNY Upland Gamebird Award: Judges Choice for Upland Bird in Pro or Masters
- Lifetone Award: Judges Choice from fish painted with lifetone (Hydromist) products.
- Jack Wilson Award: Highest Scoring Waterfowl in Masters Division
- West Wind Taxidermy Life-Size Award: Highest Scoring small or large mammal in Amateur
- West Wind Taxidermy Gamehead Award: Highest Scoring Gamehead in Amateur
- Safari Club Adirondack- Catskill Chapter North American Award: Highest Scoring Big Game Pro or Masters
- Safari Club Adirondack- Catskill Chapter Non-North American Award: Highest Scoring Big Game Pro or Masters
- UTNY Mike Rudzinis Memorial Award: Chosen by President
- Larry Clingerman Award: Highest Scoring Professional Waterfowl
- Mounted In Alaska Award: Judges Choice for Best Large Species Life-size or Gamehead
- PRO-ONE Award: Judges Choice Best Entry from any mount using PRO-ONE hide paste or tan
- Polytranspar Award: Judges Choice for Fish Painted with Polytranspar Paints
- UTNY Waterfowl Habitat Award: Judges Choice for Waterfowl Habitat
- Jordan's Wild Turkey Award: Judges Choice for Turkey in Pro or Masters
- Buckshot Tannery Pro Life-size Mammal Award: Highest Score
- Research Manikins Best Small Mammal Award: Judges Choice for Professional
- Research Manikins Best Small Mammal Award: Judges Choice for Amateur
- The Wildlife Gallery Best Gamehead Award: Highest Score from all Gamehead Entries
- UTA Artisan Award: Taxidermist Choice for Most Artistic
- Brian Harness Mammal Award: Judges Choice small mammal in any Division. (Something Brian would like)
- UTNY Best Non-Gamebird Award: Highest Score for Pro or Masters
- Whitetails Unlimited Award Youth: Highest Score
- Whitetails Unlimited Award Amateur: Highest Score
- Whitetails Unlimited Award Professional: Highest Score
- Van Dyke Award: Judges Choice for Most Creative Entry in Pro or Masters
- UTNY Best of Show Youth: Judges Choice from Best of Categories
- UTNY Best of Show Amateur: Judges Choice from Best of Categories
- UTNY Best of Show Commercial: Judges Choice.
- UTNY Best of Show Professional: Judges Choice from Best of Categories
- UTNY Best of Show Masters: Judges Choice from Best of Categories
- UTNY Joseph Bruchac Memorial Award: Judges Choice Best Whitetail Deer from all Divisions
- WASCO Award: Judges Choice Most Artistic Entry
- Breakthrough Award: Judges Choice for Overall Best of Show

Awards are Subject to Change

# UNITED TAXIDERMISTS OF NEW YORK

## Rules of Competition

- 1) All attending must be dues paying members of UTNY and must be registered at this convention. Registration badge must be worn at all times.
- 2) All competition pieces need to be registered for the competition and pay the appropriate fee(s).
- 3) Pick up your packet before entering competition pieces. All competition pieces must be delivered to check-in area by **4:30pm on Friday, April 17, 2026**. Any final grooming is to be done only in the check-in area prior to the official judging session. Pieces may not be removed until the end of the board meeting on Sunday. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Anyone wanting someone else to transport their competition pieces on Sunday will need to supply a written document to the competition committee with both signatures for release.
- 4) No one is to be allowed in the competition area prior to, or during, judging other than authorized competition committee personnel.
- 5) Pieces may be used to compete only one time in a UTNY competition.
- 6) HANGERS: Please place all hangers so that they extend above the panel on backer. If two hangers are required, space on full inches apart for pegboard display. (You can move them back down after the show.)
- 7) A competition piece can be rejected from competition if members of the committee judge it to be lewd or offensive to the general public (i.e. blood, trap, arrow, and also No Live Ammo allowed).
- 8) Any plaques or signs identifying the taxidermist or customer must be removed or obscured before judging. All glass cases must be removed by the competitor only, before judging. This will be done in the grooming area.
- 9) Multiple ribbons will be awarded in most categories, according to quality of work. In the event of a tie, duplicate ribbons will be given.
- 10) Score sheets will be given to competitor. It will be the competitor's responsibility to keep. UTNY will only hold the scores of each competitor. Raw score will be used for the ribbon placement in all the classes. Judges will be notified of the class.
- 11) Any unsportsman-like behavior will result in the loss of ribbon.
- 12) Animals hunted legally in the world are allowed with proper permit, including transport permits. Hawks, owls, songbirds, or eagles will be allowed with proper state and federal paperwork. The competitor is responsible for knowing and following all such laws pertaining to species on federal or NYS protected or threatened lists.

**13) JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL.**

- 14) All competition pieces will be entered at the competitor's own risk. UTNY is not responsible for any liability due to damage, theft, fire, or natural causes.
- 15) Any competitor 16 years old or under, will receive a ribbon and may register under family membership, but must still pay the entry fee.
- 16) If you bring any animal that does not conform to any category, you must submit photos and reference pictures for the judge to determine if it was correctly interpreted in the mount. There will be no best of category ribbon.

# UNITED TAXIDERMISTS OF NEW YORK

## Categories of Competition

A mount can only be entered in one division in the competition (i.e., you cannot enter the same mount in the master and commercial division at the same time).

Open categories are open to competitors in any division. Open categories include, but are not limited to: collective artist, novelty, wildlife art, freeze dry, and commercial. Entries in open categories are not eligible for distinguished taxidermist or any special awards unless specifically listed.

### **1) Youth, Amateur, Professional, and Master Divisions**

Whitetail deer heads (open or closed mouth categories).

Gameheads (open or closed mouth categories, all other animals including  $\frac{1}{2}$  life size).

Large life size mammals (larger than a coyote).

Small life size mammals (coyote and smaller; juvenile large mammals, fawns, cubs, etc. will be included as small mammals determined by body mass as to coyote size).

Upland birds, waterfowl, turkeys (allow freeze dry heads).

Reptiles (skin mounts).

Habitat

Reproductions (fish, reptiles, amphibians, replica antlers, etc.)

Fish: All fish are judged as a two-sided mount. The only one-sided fish is in the commercial, youth and amateur divisions. The judge will need to see two eyes and the finished area to

blend the seam, in order to score the fish. Please specify the category on entry sheet.

The competition committee will classify anything questionable into the commercial division.

### **2) Wildlife Art**

Wildlife art will be any open division, to include, but not exclusive of sculpture, painting, photography, carving, casting or flat art. (the judges will choose the winner.) Nothing will be allowed that is lewd or offensive to the public (i.e., traps, blood, arrows and NO LIVE AMMO).

### **3) Commercial Division**

Whitetail deer, gameheads, birds, mammals and fish are the only categories in this division. Only first, second and third places are awarded. Judging will be done without the use of a flashlight or physical touch. Commercial pieces will be eligible for taxidermist's choice.

### **4) Freeze Dry Taxidermy**

This will be an open division. Entries must be designated for this category. No other freeze dry will be in the general competition other than turkey head.

### **5) Presidents Challenge**

Chosen by the President.

### **6) Best of Category**

These ribbons will be awarded in each division for the categories listed above in the Divisions listed in #1. The Best of Category ribbon will go to the highest blue ribbon entry. If a division has no blue ribbon, it will not receive a Best of Category ribbon.

### **7) Collective Artist Category**

## Some thoughts when choosing a division.....

- Ask many who have been competing for awhile. They will tell you the best benefit to competing is the knowledge you will gain through the critiques of your piece. Your work will very likely improve faster than it ever would have on your own.
- The higher the division, the higher the scrutiny the judge will use . The ribbons may come harder but the input from the judge will be more in-depth.
- First timers often think they should start in the Amateur Division. You might consider entering the Professional division. The judging is to a higher standard and the critique will be much more detailed...you will learn more faster.
- The Commercial Division is basically judged from several feet away, i.e. from a customer's viewpoint. Pieces are not scored on a point system and there is no detailed score sheet. Ribbons can come easier but you won't get the benefit of the score sheet and critique. If you are hungry for knowledge, you might be better served in any of the other divisions.

### Divisions of Competition

**AMATEUR:** Anyone new to taxidermy competition. Any amateur who has won two 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbons in a given category, must move up in that category only.

**PROFESSIONAL:** Any competitor who has won two 1<sup>st</sup> place amateur ribbons in that category, or a best of category. Any professional who has won three 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbons in a given category, must move up in that category only.

**MASTER:** Any competitor who has won three 1<sup>st</sup> place professional ribbons in that category

**YOUTH:** Any competitor 16 years and younger can compete under family membership, but must pay entry the fee(s).

**COMMERCIAL:** Any average customer piece, open to all competitors. The reason for having a commercial division is to have an average customer piece critiqued. Judging is done without a flashlight or physical touch. Entries are eligible for Taxidermist's Choice, Presidents Trophy and WASCO awards. There is no Best of Category awards in this division.

***\*\* Note any competitor may move up to a higher division at anytime, but cannot drop back.\*\****

***\*\*With the elimination of the DOE Division. Competitors previously in DOE should compete in the Masters Division.***



# UNITED TAXIDERMISTS OF NEW YORK

## 2026 Competition Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Pricing:</b>	Mount Entries=	\$25 each (advanced registration) \$40 each (day of the show)
	Wildlife Art Entries=	\$10 each
	Presidents Challenge=	\$10
	Best All-Around Taxidermist=	\$25
	UTNY Distinguished Taxidermist=	\$25

### Explanation for Entering Mounts:

**DIVISION:** Youth, Amateur, Commercial, Professional, Master

**CATEGORY:** Game head, Whitetail, Small Mammal, Large Mammal, Upland Bird, Waterfowl, Turkey, Reptile, Fish, Reproductions, Habitat, Wildlife Art, Novelties, Freeze Dry Taxidermy, Collective Artist

**MOUTH:** Open or Closed

**SPECIES:** Bear, Small Mouth Bass, Deer, etc.

**SPECIAL:** List any special awards the entry qualifies for. Note if you used Polytranspar, Lifetone, or Pro-1 Adhesive

DIVISION	CATEGORY	MOUTH	SPECIES	SPECIAL

### COLLECTIVE ARTISTS CATEGORY: please list names of competitors:

### SPECIAL AWARDS (partial list):

Best All-Around Taxidermist (\$25 fee), UTNY Distinguished Taxidermist (\$25 fee), Presidents Challenge (\$10 fee), Polytranspar Award, Lifetone Paint Award

Please note that this is the list of special awards we have to date; be sure to check at the registration table for any new awards that you may be eligible for.

\*\*\*It is the responsibility of the competitor to sign up for the special awards\*\*\*

# **United Taxidermists of New York**

## **Membership Application**

**Send To: Lore Lozier**

**3241 Flint Hill Rd**

**Naples, NY 14512**

**Membership Dues \$35**

**(Please make checks payable to United Taxidermists of New York)**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_

**State** \_\_\_\_\_

**Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Please provide an updated email address if you have one\*\***