

**MICHIGAN TAXIDERMIST ASSOCIATION
27TH ANNUAL COMPETITION & CONVENTION
MARCH 18-22ND 2009**

Special thanks to everyone who made this year's convention/competition a huge success. As always the MTA Members came out and showed their talents. It was amazing to see how fast our Professional Division grew this year. The quality of work was so impressive this year that our Professional Division grew to nearly double its size while the Novice Division was the smallest division to date. Each and every one of you should be so proud of your accomplishments for this year. There is no doubt that Michigan has some of the greatest taxidermists in the nation – and your Officers/Board of Directors is so proud to be a part of this great association of wonderful people and very talented taxidermists. Congratulations to each and every one of you for coming out and shining at this years show.

Best of Show/Breakthrough Award

**Jean Roll
Kaibab Squirrels**

**Wasco Award
Duncan Price
Wood Duck Drake**

**Award of Excellence
Duncan Price – Birds
Mike Zank – WT/Game Heads
Larry Fitch – Birds**

**McKenzie Distinguished Service Award
Les Thomas**

**Michigan Taxidermist Above and Beyond Award
Pat Walker**

**Masters of Masters Award
Jean Roll
Kaibab Squirrels**

**People's Choice Masters
Jean Roll
Kaibab Squirrels**

**People's Choice Professional
Bobby Hamilton
Black Bear/Fawn**

**People's Choice Novice
Tom Walker
Red Fox/Grouse**

**McKenzie Taxidermist's Choice Award
Best Whitetail
Mike Zank**

**McKenzie Taxidermist's Choice Award
Best Bird
Randy Mitchell**

**McKenzie Taxidermist's Choice Award
Best Fish
Randall Waites**

**McKenzie Taxidermist's Choice Award
Best Life-Size Mammal
Bobby Hamilton**

**Best of Category Masters – Repro/Antler/Horn
Terry Vining
Cape Buffalo**

**Best of Category Masters
Whitetail Deer Heads & ½ Mounts
Mike Zank**

**Best of Category Masters
Habitat
Joe Miles**

**Best of Category Professional
Best Group Competitor
Owen Eldred, Randy Mitchell
& Jeremy Hart**

**Best of Category Professional
Turkey
Bob Nielsen**

**Best of Category Professional
Repro/Antler/Horn
Mike Fales**

**Best of Category Professional
Large Game Heads
Dennis Harris**

**Best of Category Professional
Whitetail Deer Heads & ½ Mounts
Branden Baldwin**

**Best of Category Professional
Waterfowl Single
Frank Sherwood**

**Best of Category Professional
Large Mammals
Dennis Harris**

**Best of Category Professional
Medium Mammal
Mike Doyle**

**Best of Category Professional
Habitat
Randy Mitchell**

**The Board of Director's Award
Bobby Hamilton**

**The Van Dyke Award
Dennis Harris**

**President's Animation Award
Dennis Harris & Jamie Outman**

**Artistry of Wildlife Award
Steve DeBoer**

**Pheasants Forever Award
Duncan Price**

**Hilton Eppley Award
Joe Miles**

**Michigan Trappers Association Award
Best Fur Bearers Award
Randy Mitchell**

**Commemorative Bucks Award
Mike Zank**

**Turkey Federation Award
Bob Nielsen**

**Ducks Unlimited Award
Duncan Price**

**The MTA Scholarship Award
Tom Walker**

**The Ken Kleinert Award
Maggie Frey
Bobcat**

**The Horizon Award
Brian Jones Jr.
Whitetail**

**Evelyn Holmes Best Habitat Award
Youth – Novice
Caleb Myers**

**Youth Division 16-18
Judges Choice
Lisa Polly – Whitetail**

**Youth Division 8 – 12
Judges Choice
Caleb Myers**



Masters of Masters/Masters Division

Masters of Masters

1st Place

Jean Roll

Kaibab Squirrels

Masters Division – 1st Place

Mike Zank-Whitetail

Terry Vining

Repo/Antler/Horns-Cape Buffalo

Joe Miles-Habitat

Masters Division - 2nd Place

Tony Rusiecki -Whitetail

Kurt Ainsworth- Whitetail

Jonathan Wright-Pheasant

Jay Burggren-Whitetail

Les Thomas-Whitetail

Steve DeBoer-Collared Peccary

Randall Waites-Largemouth Bass

Owen Eldred-Whitetail

Duncan Price-Wood Duck Drake

Steve DeBoer-Coyote

Duncan Price-Pheasants

Ken Onken/Joe Miles Whitetail

Kurt Ainsworth-Whitetail

Ann Euler-Coyote

Masters Division - 3rd Place

Terry Vining-Whitetail

Tim McMullen-Whitetail

Terry Vining-Whitetail

Duncan Price-Barred Owl

Scott Richard-Turkey

Jonathan Wright-Pheasant

Jay Burggren-Whitetail

Tim McMullen-Whitetail

Professional Division

1st – Place

Mike Fales-Antelope horn
Ron Furgeson II- Black Bear
Glen Polley/Lisa Polley-Black Bear
Jay Burggren-Black Bear
Scott Buzzell- Buffle Head Duck
Jamie Outman-Hyena
Bobby Hamilton-Raccoon
Scott Meert-Ringneck Hen
Doug Smith- Warthog
Dennis Harris-Waterbuck
Randy Mitchell-Whitetail
Randy Mitchell-Wood Duck Drake
Bobby Hamilton-Fawn
Owen Eldred/Randy Mitchell/Jeremy Hart-
Leopard
Robert Nielsen-Turkey
Doug Alberda-Whitetail
Randy Mitchell- Wood Duck Drake
Bobby Hamilton-Black Bear
Brad Hendricks-Habitat
Frank Sherwood-Surf Scoter
Branden Baldwin-Whitetail
Randy Mitchell-Badger
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Dennis Harris-Hyena
Mike Doyle-Bobcat
Robert Nielsen-Turkey

Professional Division

2nd – Place

Rick Wing-Whitetail
Douglas Aven- Whitetail
Curtis Cook-Whitetail
Doug Ellis-Whitetail
Doug Smith/Doug Veldhuis- Zebra
Ryan Bowne-Antelope
Mike Doyle-Whitetail
Ann Euler-Whitetail
Mike Anderson-Whitetail
Dawn Derenski-Whitetail
Ryan Olson-Turkey
Ryan Olson-Turkey
Steve Hall-Whitetail
Dennis Harris-Baboon
Ron Furgeson II-Beaver
Ron Seabolt- Brook Trout
Danielle Claerhout-Bufflehead Hen
Jeff Goss-Whitetail

Professional Division

2nd – Place (continued)

Ken Harjala-Chinook Salmon
Doug Ellis-Habitat
Matt Diemer- Mink
Bill Willis-Steelhead
Nick Giuliani-Whitetail
Doug Alberda-Whitetail
Bobby Clemons- Whitetail
Jason Zank-Whitetail
Bobby Hamilton-Caribou
Samuel Belobradich-Osterich Chick
Joe Miles-Whitetail
Ed Crawford-Wildebeest
Doug Smith-Gemsbok
Dennis Harris-Kudu
Carolyn Myers-Whitetail
Mike Anderson- Whitetail
Curtis Cook-Whitetail
Ryan Follis-Whitetail
Paul Thompson- Whitetail
Brad Nelson-Whitetail
Ron Furgeson II-Whitetail
Laurel Gardner-Whitetail
Matt Diemer-Whitetail
Curtis Cook-Whitetail
Frank Derner/Jamie Outman-Woodchuck,
Don Reeves-Black Bear
Ryan Bowne-Caribou
Joe Miles-Habitat
Ryan Hetherington-Whitetail
Ann Euler-Whitetail
John Hill-Whitetail
Chris Carls-Whitetail
Don Reeves-Whitetail
Matt Diemer/James Gilfilian-Black Bear
Sandy Brown-Black Pheasant,
Dan Smithgall-Coho repo
Thomas Stombaugh-Coyote
Curtis Cook-Mallard
Matt Diemer-Mink
Brad Hendricks-Mink
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Thomas Stombaugh-Porcupine
Mac Zerlaut-Russian Boar
Mike Fales-Tahr
Ryan Hetherington-Whitetail
James Schofield-Whitetail
Chris Carls-Whitetail

Professional Division
3rd – Place

Kyle McClure-Whitetail
Robert Nielsen-Whitetail
Ryan Bowne-Whitetail
Matt Diemer-Whitetail
Matt Diemer/James Gilfilian-Black Bear
Ron Cummings-Black Bear
Sandy Brown-Black Pheasant
Robert Nielsen-Coyote
Brian Watson-Crappie
Ben Peyerk-Grouse
Mark Stuk-Lynx
Carolyn Myers-Whitetail
Kyle McClure-Whitetail
Chris Day-Whitetail
Kathy Christensen-Whitetail
Raymond (John) Davis-Whitetail
Mark Perry-Whitetail
Mark Perry-Whitetail
Glen Polley/Lisa Polley-Habitat
Joe Miles-Habitat
Kathy Christensen-Swan
Ryan Follis-Whitetail
Randy Mitchell-Whitetail
Matt Diemer-Brook Trout
Elmer Flener-Lamprey
Mac Zerlaut-Red Fox
Mac Zerlaut-Black Bear
Scott Meert-Black Bear 1/2
Kathy Christensen, Elk
Bobby Hamilton-Mink
Jodi Schofield-Raccoon
Brad Hendricks-2 chipmunks
Warren Stutesman-Bluegill
John Hill-Grouse
Kathy Christensen-Common Eider
Brad Hendricks-Gray Sq/Black Sq/Starling
Ben Peyerk-Lesser scalp
Frank Derner/Jamie Outman-Red Fox
Carolyn Myers-Walleye
Jeremy Kennedy-Whitetail
Danielle Claerhout-Bufflehead Drake
Fred Casner-Largemouth Bass
Scott Meert-Lesser Scaup Drake
Renee Fish-Whitetail
Steven Barnhart-Whitetail
Ron Crismon-Whitetail
Mike Fales-Antelope
Curtis Cook-Bluegill
Brian Watson-Bluegill
Sandy Brown-Fawn

Professional Division
3rd – Place (continued)

Kathy Christensen-Fisher
John Proctor-Sockeye Salmon
Brian Jones-Whitetail
Mike Anderson-Whitetail
James Gilfilian-Whitetail
Robert Nielsen-Whitetail
John Hill-Wolverine
Brian Watson-Largemouth
John Proctor-Sockeye Salmon
Carolyn Myers-Walleye
Ben Peyerk-Walleye
Ron Crismon-Whitetail
Earl Riske-Whitetail

Novice Division 1st – Place

Howard Crepeau-Bass
Biff Harris Jr.-Whitetail
Rick Steele-Whitetail

2nd – Place

Chris Chinchak-Whitetail
David Moulds-Whitetail
Howard Crepeau-Bass
Mark Polley-Whitetail
Rob Larkin-Whitetail
Rob Larkin-Mallard
Tom Walker-Red Fox

3rd – Place

Kimberly Wickerink-Gray Squirrel
Chris Chinchak-Pronghorn
Howard Crepeau-Whitetail

Youth Division

1st Place

Maggie Frey-Bobcat

Caleb Myers-Small Mouth Bass

Brian Jones, Jr.-Whitetail

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Lisa Polley-Whitetail

Caleb Myers-Black Squirrel