



MICHIGAN TAXIDERMIST ASSOCIATION 2017 COMPETITION AWARD WINNERS

TAXIDERMY ART AWARDS

Name	Division	Description	Award
George Elekes	M of M	Wolf	Mounted in Alaska; MTA People's Choice Best Mammal; UTA; Breakthrough; Wasco; Polytranspar; Masters of Masters; Pro-1 Award; Dale Cornetet; Best of Show
Terry Weick	M of M	Brown Trout	MTA People's Choice Best Bird; Public's Choice Bird
Jonathan Wright	M of M	Snowy Owl	Turkey Ferderation
Charlie Fanta	M of M	Turkey	Walnut Creek Hardwood - Masters
Don Gadille	Masters	Steelhead	Ducks Unlimited; Best in Category Waterfowl Single; State Champion Birds
Travis McLeod	Masters	Gadwall	Best in Category Reptile/Invertebrate Single; State Champion Reptile/Amphibian
Ron Bond	Masters	Turtle - lilypad	Public's Choice Deer
John Hill	Masters	Whitetail	Best in Category Small Game Head
George Elekes	Masters	Raccoon	Best in Category Combined Artists; MTA People's Choice Masters/Master of Masters; MTA People's Choice Best Fish
Randal Waites & Terry Weick	Masters	Striped Bass	Best in Category Warmwater Fish Skin Single; State Champion Fish
Paul Borkowski	Masters	Round Goby	Best in Category Large Game Head; State Champion Game Heads
Ron Furgeson	Masters	Pronghorn	MAD Taxidermy; Michigan Trappers & Predator Callers; President's Animation Award;
Kevin Smith	Masters	Bobcat	Public's Choice Mammal
Kevin Smith	Masters	Bobcat	Best in Category Open Mouth Whitetail; State Champion Whitetail; MTA People's Choice Best Whitetail
Ron Blinsky	Masters	Whitetail	US Veteran Award
Mike Dowell	Masters	Whitetail	Enduring Award;
Josh Barber	Professional	Green Wing Teal	Public's Choice Turkey
Mac Zerlaut	Professional	Turkey	Best in Category Whitetail
Shane Martindale	Professional	Whitetail	Public's Choice Fish
Jim Humenick	Professional	Bluegill	Best in Category Saltwater Fish
Stephen Carowick	Professional	Seahorse	Walnut Creek Hardwoods - Prof
Stephen Carowick	Professional	Mink	Whitetail Award;
Todd Ekstrom	Professional	Whitetail	Lifetime; Starfish; Best in Category Reproduction Fish/Amphibian/Reptile/Invertebrate
Travis Walle	Professional	Bluegill	LKD Waterfowlers;
Zach Hettinger	Professional	Canvas Back	Best in Category Habitat
Zach Hettinger	Professional	Canada Goose	MTA People's Choice Professional
Gene Seager	Professional	Wolf/BlackBear	Best in Category Freze Dry
Renee Fish	Professional	Antlers	Vandyke; Board of Directors; Best in Category Medium Mammal
Philip Wilson	Professional	Grey Fox	Commemorative Bucks; Best in Category Large Game Head
Sophia Furgeson	Professional	Black Bear	Best in Category Small Game Head
Dale Wilhelm	Professional	Coyote	MTA Scholarship
Erin Seager	Novice	Black Bear	MTA People's Choice Novice
Austin Bowerman	Novice	Ruffed Grouse	Youth 13-15 Years
Kayleigh Frederick	Youth	Mallard Drake	Youth 8-12 Years
Kenadi Frederick	Youth	Woodduck Drake	Horizon
Carissa Kennedy	Youth	Porcupine	Ken Kleinhart
Kayleigh Frederick	Youth	Habitat for Mallard Drake	MTA Above & Beyond Award
Charlie & Pat Walker			McKenzie Distinguished Service Award

WILDLIFE ART AWARDS

Name	Division	Description	Award
John Vanslambrouck	Open	Altamira Oriole	Wildlife Art Best of Photography
Dave Arndt	Open	Bluegill	Wildlife Art Best of Show 1st
Justine Dillenbeck	Open	Red Stags	Wildlife Art Best of Show 2nd
Shane Martindale	Open	Turkey	Wildlife Art Best of Show 3rd; Public's Choice Wildlife Art
William Thompson	Open	Crappies	Ed Walicki Award