

COMPETITION GUIDELINES AND RULES
TGS Lone Star Gourd Festival – August 17-August 20, 2017

WHO MAY ENTER - Anyone may enter. Note that the entry fee is higher for non-members of the TGS, with the exception of the Youth Division. Entry fee is also higher if entry application is postmarked after August 4, 2017 for all entries, including the Youth Division.

ENTRY FEES – Note that fee applies to **each** entry.

TGS Members - Early: entry form postmarked by August 4, 2017 - **\$2.00**
Late: entry form received at the door or postmarked after deadline - **\$5.00**

Nonmembers - Early: entry form postmarked by August 4, 2017 - **\$5.00**
Late: entry form received at the door or postmarked after deadline - **\$10.00**

Youth Division (Under 17 Years) - Early: entry form postmarked by August 4, 2017 - **No Fee.**
Late: entry form received at the door or postmarked after deadline - **\$1.**

Please note: It is a TGS policy that there are no refunds on canceled entries. However, there is not a fee for changing categories if your entry has changed and does not meet the category criteria.

AWARDS:

BEST OF SHOW: Best Overall

VIP CHOICE: Chosen by VIP

PEOPLES' CHOICE: Voted on by the public

BEST OF DIVISION: There will be a Division Award given in each of the following Divisions: Growers Division, Youth Division, Novice Division, Intermediate Division, Advanced Division and Masters Division.

CATEGORY AWARDS: First, second and third place awards may be given for each category. Note that if there are fewer than three entries in a category, a first place award may not be given if the judges feel the entries present do not meet the quality necessary for a first place award.

DELIVERY/PICKUP OF ENTRIES: Competition entries will be received at the Ballroom lobby located adjacent to the Exhibit/Vendor hall in the Civic Convention Center

All entries must be hand delivered and will be received on **Thursday, August 17, 2017, from 12 noon to 3 PM**, at the competition area in the Civic Convention Center, 375 Castell Avenue, New Braunfels, TX 78130, at which time you will receive a claim ticket. This ticket **MUST** be presented when picking up entries after the show. All entries must be picked up starting at **3 pm on Sunday, August 20, 2017**, from the competition area. **Any unclaimed entries will become the property of the Texas Gourd Society.**

Entries not personally delivered: The **Delivery Form** is required for entries not being personally delivered. It may be sent with the entry application or accompany the delivery. No deliveries will be accepted without this form. **No mailed gourd entries will be accepted.**

Please read Entry Application Instructions for more information about delivering entries. Mailing information is on the Entry Application Form.

TGS has a Growers, Youth, Novice, Intermediate, Advanced and Masters Division with different requirements for each division level, categories and entry applications. Please read carefully for entering correctly.

GROWERS DIVISION

This Division is open to all, but only one entry per category is allowed.

Definitions and General Rules for Fresh and Dried Gourds in Growers Division (as stated in the American Gourd Society Judging Handbook):

Lagenaria -Most hard-shelled gourds are Lagenaria, which have white blossoms.

Ornamental and native Texas gourds - Have yellow flowers.

Raw gourd - A hollow, dried shell of a fruit in the cucurbitaceous family of plants

Current season gourd (fresh) - A recently harvested gourd, which still contains the green coloring and water weight it had when harvested.

NOTE: Gourds must have been grown by the exhibitor/entrant. Gourds may be left natural or coated with clear wax, varnish, no other finish! Dried gourds must be from this year or last year's crop and must not have been entered in a TGS show before. They are not required to have stems unless specifically required by the category. If present, stem must be washed, with skin and dirt removed from crevices, and the end trimmed.

Only ONE entry per category is allowed.

JUDGING CRITERIA FOR THE FOLLOWING SEVEN (7) CATEGORIES:

**50% Cultural perfection, quality, cleanliness and maturity
50% Trueness to type/variety**

LAGENARIA - Fresh or dried: grouping of three (3) different varieties.

ORNAMENTALS - Fresh or dried: grouping of three (3) different varieties.

THREE-OF-A-KIND - Fresh or dried: any type of gourds. Will be judged for uniformity of size, color, and shape.

LARGEST FRESH OR DRIED - Gourd with largest circumference.

SMALLEST FRESH OR DRIED - Smallest gourd.

LONGEST FRESH OR DRIED - Measured by straight line between extreme points of gourd.

LONGEST AND STRAIGHTEST FRESH OR DRIED - Dipper or baton-type gourd.

JUDGING CRITERIA FOR THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) CATEGORIES:

**50% Cultural perfection, quality, cleanliness and maturity
50% Attractiveness of arrangement**

GOURD DISPLAY FRESH - Arrange many gourds in basket, gourd bowl, or stand-alone group.

GOURD DISPLAY DRIED - Arrange many gourds in basket, gourd bowl, or stand-alone group.

JUDGING CRITERIA FOR THE FOLLOWING FOUR (4) CATEGORIES:

**20% Quality, cleanliness
80% Unusualness, bizarreness, and/or contortedness**

UNUSUAL FRESH - The most unusual, bizarre, or contorted gourd due to a **natural** phenomenon.

UNUSUAL DRIED - The most unusual, bizarre, or contorted gourd due to a **natural** phenomenon.

HAND-TRAINED FRESH – Single fresh manipulated gourd for unusual, bizarre or contorted effect.

HAND-TRAINED DRIED – Single dried manipulated gourd for unusual, bizarre or contorted effect.

The winner of the Hand Trained Dried category may be eligible to enter competition sponsored by the American Gourd Society. The Jim Story Award is a national award for Dried Manipulated Gourds. More information on rules and prizes are available at <http://www.americangourdsociety.org/award.html>

JUDGING CRITERIA FOR THE FOLLOWING ONE (1) CATEGORY:

0% on overall appearance

STEMMED BEAUTY FRESH OR DRIED - Any variety or cross-pollination, any size, near perfect skin or shell. MUST have original stem intact.

YOUTH DIVISION

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JUDGING OF THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) AGE GROUPS: The judges will look for creativity, imagination, good idea for type of gourd chosen, and good workmanship.

YOUTH - 8 years and under

YOUTH - 9 to 13 years

YOUTH - 14 to 17 years

CRAFTED/ART GOURD - COMPETITION DIVISIONS

Please note the following **General Rules** (these rules apply to ALL crafted gourd divisions and categories):

- Gourds must predominate.
- Entries previously entered in Texas Gourd Society Shows will not be permitted.
- The inside of a cut gourd must be cleaned of membranes and sanded. Any method or materials may be used to finish the inside of the gourd. Rims not trimmed must be sanded smoothly.
- Finished gourd entries may be waxed, or coated with varnish, shellac, lacquer, or polyurethane to add a shine and/or to protect the piece.
- When the stem is left on the gourd as part of the entry, it must be finished in relation to the entry.
- Work not meeting category criteria will not be judged.
- Gourds may be purchased for crafting.
- Craft/artwork for each entry must be the work of one person who is the entrant. The only exception is the stand-alone category Multiple Artisans or Partnership.
- It is permitted to include a stand or hanger to support crafted gourds. The stand or hanger will not be considered in the judging of the gourd unless it is permanently attached.
- Any stand or hanger must be supplied by the entrant.

Definitions for All Crafted/Art Gourds

Carving - Any result of removal of a portion of the shell of a gourd exposing the undersurface. Knives, rotary tools, gouges or any other tools may be used for this general result.

Pyrography - Marking the surface of a gourd by the use of heat, ordinarily using a wood burner system. Other possibilities are heated metal tools or torches.

Mixed Media - Use of two or more media, such as pyrography, paint, stain, basketry, or carving.

Embellishment - Any decorative item, natural or artificial, attached to a gourd for the purpose of improving the appearance of a gourd

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NOVICE DIVISION - The Novice Division is for those who are **new** to the art form and have been working with gourds **for 2 years or less**. The piece may be from a seminar, class or pattern. The Novice should not have sold gourds or taught a gourd class for a fee. If you won a major award in a juried art show or won Best of Novice Division previously in this competition you must move up to the Intermediate Division. **NOTE: There must be NO EXTENSIVE experience in the medium used.**

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION – The Intermediate Division is for those artists who understand and use basic techniques. The piece may be from a seminar, class or pattern but original works are highly encouraged. Entrants must not have won a major award in a gourd show or juried art show. They may have sold gourds but not have taught a gourd class for a fee. If you previously won Best of Intermediate Division in this competition you must move up to Advanced Division

ADVANCED DIVISION – The Advanced Division is for those artists who have progressed to a more complicated level of work and have a good grasp of multiple techniques and finishing skills. They are creating more original work and are ready to compete with a wider range of competitors. They may have taught a gourd class for a fee but are not showing in galleries and have not won top awards in art/gourd competitions. Pieces from a seminar, class or pattern may not be entered in this level or above. Once you have won Best of this Division in this competition, you must move up to Masters Division.

MASTER DIVISION – The Master Division artist's work shows excellent use of all techniques and finishing skills. The work is of original design, not from a seminar or class (unless they taught the class). Their work may be shown in galleries, previously won top awards in art/gourd competitions, or have reached the level of fine art. **NOTE: Artists entering this Division are NOT allowed to enter any of the other divisions.**

Anyone who has won a previous Best of Show at this TGS competition must move up to the Masters Division for all future entries.

NOTE: You may only enter into one of these above Divisions, so your responsibility to decide which Division you need to enter based upon the Division descriptions and then review the Entry Application for that Division to see what categories are available. You may have only one entry per category, but you may enter as many categories as you wish in your Division.

Deciding where to place your entries works on the honor system. Please be honest with your entries. Anyone may enter a Division that they feel is *higher* than their abilities. If you wish to try for a level *higher*, go for it, but entrants should strive to make the competition fair by not entering at a level *below* their abilities. Again, please read the descriptions carefully.

2017 OPEN THEME CATEGORY “TEXAS OUR TEXAS”. One entry allowed per person, multiple artisans or partnership, on one piece, from Youth to Masters Division levels. Entries in the special open division must focus on a gourd theme piece representative of Texas heritage, animal life, terrain, history, cultures, art, music, people, etc., any technique allowed.

Entries in this Open Theme Category cannot be considered for Best of Show.

One 1st place, 2nd place and 3rd place ribbon awarded.

JUDGING OF CRAFTED/ART GOURDS: Judging will be in accordance with the standards of the American Gourd Society Judging Handbook using Scoring Option C (Verbal Consensus):

50% Originality: Overall design/theme, craftsmanship, accessories, artistic quality.

50% Workmanship: Neatness and quality, color/finish, balance/scale, overall appearance.

Note: If the quality of the gourd used is poor, judges will reduce their rank-order decision for that gourd as they deem appropriate.

CRAFTED/ART GOURD CATEGORY DESCRIPTIONS FOR ALL DIVISIONS

Note: This is an alphabetical listing of all Crafted/Art Gourd Categories for Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, and Master Divisions. Not all of the categories are included in each Division with the exception of the Youth Division who may enter any of the below categories for their age group. Check the Entry Application for the Division you plan to enter for the categories that are offered in that Division.

ANIMAL DESIGN – Represent any kind of living creature on land, in the sea or in the air, except the human kind. Any technique or form is allowed.

BIRDHOUSE, BIRD FEEDER, FUNCTIONAL or DECORATIVE -Functional new birdhouse ready for the current season for birds. Entrance and drain holes required and suitable for intended bird. Exhibitor must place a tag on the birdhouse stating which type of bird it is for. The bird feeder must be ready for daily use and can be decorated or natural. Decorative birdhouse is not intended to actually attract and house birds. Perch, drain holes and vents are optional. Entrance hole can be either painted or cut.

CARVED - HAND CARVED, POWER CARVED, CUT, CHISELED, CHIPPED, AND/OR GOUGED, INCLUDING CUT OUTS - Other media/embellishments are allowed that enhance the gourd, but carving **must** predominate.

GOURD DOLL OR SPIRIT FIGURE – Traditional dolls, Native American and International figures, etc. Gourd and/or gourd pieces must be used for head and body. Any combination of techniques and mediums allowed.

FANTASY/WHIMSICAL – You are only limited by your imagination. It can be anything from weird creatures and bump-in-the-night (nightmares) to dainty fairies and mystical unicorns.

FIBER WORKS - Any material may be used, natural or man-made. Any technique may be used, such as weaving, teneriffe, or coiling. Gourd may be finished with any medium or as mixed media. Any type finish is allowed. Focal point must be on fiber works.

GOURD MASKS AND WALL HANGINGS - Must be ready to hang on the wall or have a display stand. Mounting on board, canvas, or in a frame is allowed. Means of display will not be judged if it not permanently attached. If a mask, eyes may or may not be cut out. Masks without a display stand must have a hanger so they may be hung for display at the show.

HOLIDAY and FESTIVALS – Any holiday or festival (not just Christmas and Halloween). Exhibitor should place a tag on the gourd stating what holiday or festival is represented. Gourd forms under this category could include sculptures, ornaments, bowls, and shard pieces. Use of any medium or techniques is allowed.

MINIATURE GOURD-Any technique allowed. Gourd and embellishments must be 3 inches or less in all directions. If a stem or attached stand is present it will be included in the 3 inch measurement. Display stands are allowed.

MIXED MEDIA - Must include two or more media, such as carving, painting, pyrography, etc. Any type finish is allowed and embellishments are allowed.

MUSICAL – Instruments must be functional. Items such as gourd drums, flutes, banjo's, Shekere, rattles, thumb harps and rain sticks.

MY IDEA - The entry must be unique and represent a novel idea not previously seen. This is not intended to be a category to circumvent the rule that only one entry per category is allowed. In other words, if you have entered a gourd in dot painting, you cannot enter that second dot painted gourd here.

NATURE'S WONDER- Artist concept of anything found in nature. Mixed media.

PAINTED - Traditional painting on a gourd, such as landscapes, flowers, people, still life scenes. This category is not for a painted color or dyed finish look. Rims may be trimmed and embellished, but painted design must be the emphasis of the piece. Use of acrylics, water colors, dyes, oils, inks, etc. are allowed.

PYROGRAPHY - Translucent finish allowed on burned areas. Other media, finishes, and embellishments that enhance the gourd are allowed on areas that are not burned. Pyrography must show and must predominate.

SCULPTURE - May be made from one gourd, more than one gourd, gourd parts and/or other materials.

SOUTHWEST/NATIVE AMERICAN INSPIRED - Anything that has been inspired by the Southwest or by any Native American group in the U.S.A.

VESSELS/VASES/BOWLS/CONTAINERS - Anything that portrays a vessel, vase, bowl or container.

WEARABLE - Purses, hats, jewelry, sets of jewelry (sets must be displayed in a box, case, on a board or stand, but the method of display will not be judged). Masks are not included in this category. They are categorized as wall hangings.

NOTE: If an entry doesn't seem to belong in the category where the entrant placed it, it is up to the discretion of the Competition Committee to place it in the correct category. If the entrant already has an entry in that category, it will be up to the entrant to decide which entry will be kept in the competition.

NOTE: Copyrighted designs, such as Disney characters or copies of other artist's work, may not be used on entries and will not be accepted, unless written permission is granted by the artist or copyright owner. Copyright free designs may be used.

NOTE: Entries in Crafted/Art Gourd Master Division must be original work.

The Texas Gourd Society is not responsible for selling your entries. If you wish to sell your entries, please have your contact information and/or booth number (no prices) on neatly printed cards and place them next to your entry. Please remember that Sales Tax must be collected, and is the responsibility of the seller. For help with Texas Sales Tax Information goes to www.window.state.tx.us or call 1 (800) 252-5555. Any item sold must remain in the competition area until close of the show. Delivery arrangements to the buyer must be arranged between the seller and the buyer. Entries entered in competition are available for photography or sketching by any person or organization. However, they may not be used by anyone for any income or profit producing activity. Fair use (newsletters, chapter websites) is allowed. This is in accordance with the American Gourd Society Judging Handbook.

ENTRY APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE READ THE ENTRY APPLICATION CAREFULLY, AS THERE ARE A FEW CHANGES. PLEASE ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS. PLEASE MAKE A RECORD FOR YOURSELF OF ALL YOUR ENTRIES, INCLUDING TOTAL PAYMENT AND CHECK NUMBER.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE HAVING SOMEONE OTHER THAN YOURSELF DELIVERING YOUR ENTRIES - Please make sure that the mandatory *Delivery Form* is already filled out BEFORE hand delivery of the entry. The Entry Application for ALL deliveries and the Delivery Form (if required) MUST be filled out before your entry will be accepted.

PLEASE NOTE: Your time waiting in line to deliver your entries will be much shorter if you mail your Entry Application in advance of the show. The most time-consuming part of the delivery process is generating Entry Tags. These Tags will have already been generated if your Application is received before the day of delivery. Your fee will also be less.

QUESTIONS? If you have any questions concerning these guidelines and rules, please contact Nita Beard at ngbeard@sbcglobal.net

ENTRY APPLICATION

**TEXAS GOURD SOCIETY
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GROWERS

DIVISION

Gourd Art and Craft Competition

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LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME _____
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CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
TELEPHONE: () _____ E-MAIL: _____

I am a current member of the Texas Gourd Society ___ Yes ___ No

I have entered _____ Categories at \$ _____ .00 each for a total of \$ _____ .00 Payment Method: Cash ___ or Check # _____

(Entry Fees: Make check payable to TGS or Texas Gourd Society. Please do not send cash)

GROWERS DIVISION - Fresh and Dried Gourds

Please check and all Categories entering: (only one entry per category) TGS will assign Exhibit Entry Numbers.

- ___ 01. Lagenaria _____ Exhibit Entry Number _____
- ___ 02. Ornaments _____
- ___ 03. Three-of-a-Kind _____
- ___ 04. Largest Fresh or Dried _____
- ___ 05. Smallest Fresh or Dried _____
- ___ 06. Longest Fresh or Dried _____
- ___ 07. Longest and Straightest Fresh or Dried _____
- ___ 08. Gourd Display Fresh _____
- ___ 09. Gourd Display Dried _____
- ___ 10. Unusual Fresh _____
- ___ 11. Unusual Dried _____
- ___ 12. Hand-Trained Fresh _____
- ___ 13. Hand-Trained Dried _____
- ___ 14. Stemmed Beauty Fresh or Dried _____

Note: You may also enter Crafted/Art Gourds (separate application).

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Claims waiver: I will not hold Texas Gourd Society or the New Braunfels Civic Convention Center responsible for any loss, cost, damage, or personal injury including death, judgment, or liability of any kind, including legal expenses which might result in participating in this event.

Signed _____ **Date** _____

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JUDGING OF THE FOLLOWING THREE (3) AGE GROUPS: The judges will look for creativity, imagination, good idea for type of gourd chosen, and good workmanship.

Please check category entering: (only one entry per category)

YOUTH DIVISION - Three Age Groups

TGS will assign Exhibit Entry Numbers

___ 15. 8 Years and Under _____ Exhibit Entry Number _____

___ 16. 9 to 13 Years _____

___ 17. 14 to 17 Years _____

___ 80. Texas Our Texas _____

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NOVICE DIVISION

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- ____ 18. Animal Design _____ Exhibit Entry Number _____
- ____ 19. Birdhouse, Bird Feeder, Functional or Decorative _____
- ____ 20. Carved _____
- ____ 21. Gourd Doll or Spirit Figure _____
- ____ 22. Fantasy/Whimsical _____
- ____ 23. Fiber Works _____
- ____ 24. Gourd Mask and Wall Hangings _____
- ____ 25. Holiday and Festivals _____
- ____ 26. Miniature Gourd _____
- ____ 27. Mixed Media _____
- ____ 28. My Idea _____
- ____ 29. Painted _____
- ____ 30. Pyrography _____
- ____ 31. Southwest/Native American Inspired _____
- ____ 32. Vessels/Vases/Bowls/Containers _____
- ____ 33. Wearable _____

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- ____ 34. Animal Design _____ Exhibit Entry Number _____
- ____ 35. Carved _____
- ____ 36. Gourd Doll/ Spirit Figure _____
- ____ 37. Fantasy/Whimsical _____
- ____ 38. Fiber Works _____
- ____ 39. Gourd Mask and Wall Hangings _____
- ____ 40. Holiday and Festivals _____
- ____ 41. Miniature Gourd _____
- ____ 42. Mixed Media _____
- ____ 43. Musical _____
- ____ 44. My Idea _____
- ____ 45. Painted _____
- ____ 46. Pyrography _____
- ____ 47. Sculpture _____
- ____ 48. Southwest/Native American Inspired _____
- ____ 49. Vessels/ Vases/Bowls/Containers _____
- ____ 50. Wearable _____
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ADVANCED DIVISION

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I have entered _____ Categories at \$ _____.00 each for a total of \$ _____.00 Payment Method: Cash ____ or Check # _____

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ADVANCED DIVISION - Crafted/Art Gourds Please read carefully the definitions contained on page 4 of these guidelines for Crafted/Art Gourd Divisions. Deciding where to place your entries works on the honor system. Please be honest when selecting the division for your entry.

Please check all Categories entering: (only one entry per category) TGS will assign Exhibit Entry Numbers.

- ____ 51. Animal Design _____ Exhibit Entry Number _____
- ____ 52. Gourd Doll or Spirit Figure _____
- ____ 53. Fantasy/Whimsical _____
- ____ 54. Fiber Works _____
- ____ 55. Gourd Masks & Wall Hangings _____
- ____ 56. Holidays and Festivals _____
- ____ 57. Miniature Gourd _____
- ____ 58. Mixed Media _____
- ____ 59. Musical _____
- ____ 60. My Idea _____
- ____ 61. Painted _____
- ____ 62. Sculpture _____
- ____ 63. Southwest/Native American Inspired _____
- ____ 64. Vessels/Vases/Bowls/Containers _____
- ____ 65. Wearable _____

- ____ 80. Texas Our Texas _____

Note: In Crafted/Art Gourds, you may only enter One Division, but you may enter the Growers Division (separate application).

- ____ I am aware that if my entries and fees are not postmarked by August 4, 2017, I will incur a late fee.
- ____ I am aware that if I do not personally deliver my entries, I also need to fill out the Delivery Form. This form may be included with the entry application or presented with the person delivering the entries.
- ____ I am aware that hand delivered competition entries will be received on Thursday, August 17, 2017 at the Civic Convention Center, 375 Castell Avenue, New Braunfels, TX from 12 noon to 3 PM and no entries will be accepted after 3 PM.
- ____ Entries must be picked up starting at 3pm and no later than 4pm on Sunday August 20, 2017. Claim ticket must be presented.

Claims waiver: I will not hold Texas Gourd Society or the New Braunfels Civic Convention Center responsible for any loss, cost, damage, or personal injury including death, judgment, or liability of any kind, including legal expenses which might result in participating in this event.

Signed _____ **Date** _____

MAIL ENTRY FORM(S) AND FEES TO: JOANNE TOMPKINS, 12826 CHAMBERLAIN DRIVE, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77077

ENTRY APPLICATION

**TEXAS GOURD SOCIETY
2017 LONE STAR GOURD FESTIVAL
Gourd Art and Craft Competition**

THIS BOX FOR COMMITTEE USE ONLY

CRAFTED/ART

Additional Payment \$_____

MASTERS DIVISION

August 17-August 20, 2017

Cash or Check #_____

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME _____

ADDRESS OR P.O. BOX _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

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___ 72. Mixed Media _____

___ 73. My Idea _____

___ 74. Nature's Wonder _____

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DELIVERY FORM

MANDATORY: IF YOU ARE HAVING SOMEONE OTHER THAN YOURSELF DELIVERING YOUR ENTRIES.

Entries that are sent via another person MUST INCLUDE THIS FORM. (Make copies of this form if more room is needed for entries.)

In order to avoid mistakes in placing an entry in the correct Division and Category, any entry not being personally delivered by the entrant has to be properly identified in order to ensure proper placement. The information provided on this form should match the information appearing on the Entry Application.

ENTRANT'S NAME: Last _____ First _____
TO BE DELIVERED BY: _____
(Name of Person Delivering Entries)

THE INFORMATION BELOW IS REQUIRED FOR **EACH** ENTRY DELIVERED:

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DIVISION # _____ CATEGORY # _____ CATEGORY NAME _____

DESCRIPTION OF ENTRY (enough information so the entry can be identified): _____

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Release to use photos of gourds by Texas Gourd Society – I give permission to TGS to use photos of my gourds entered in competition in any way to advertise for TGS or The Lone Star Gourd Festival signature _____