



You are invited to attend the

# 17<sup>TH</sup> MID AMERICA

## BLADESMITHING SYMPOSIUM & KNIFE SHOW

AUGUST 27 - 29, 2022

Offered by the American Bladesmith Society, Inc.

& Hosted by the Southern Ohio Forge and Anvil Blacksmith Association

This Expo is for the knife enthusiast, knife collector and knife maker from beginner to Master.

Bring Knife Collections and examples of your work for the knife show and auction. Table fee is part of the registration.

Location: Miami County Fairgrounds, 650 County Road 25A, Troy, OH 45373

Thursday, August 25, 2022		
	AREA	
4-6 pm	Demo Area	Check in and registration
6:30 pm	at The Caroline, 5 South Market Street, Troy, Ohio 45373	Demonstrators dinner Everyone welcome to meet the Demonstrators
Friday, August 26, 2022		
8-10 am	DEMO AREA	GREG NEELY – BLADE FORGING
	CLASSROOM	BILL WIGGINS – BLADE GRINDING LAYOUT
	FORGE AREA	HANDS ON/GREEN COAL
10-12 am	DEMO AREA	JOEL WORELY – DAMASCUS
	CLASSROOM	JOE KEESLAR – SILVER WIRE INLAY
	FORGE AREA	HANDS ON/GREEN COAL
12-1 pm	Lunch break	ON YOUR OWN – LUNCH TRUCK - BBQ
1-3 pm	DEMO AREA	GREG NEELY – BLADE GRINDING
	CLASSROOM	KEVIN CASHEN – HEAT TREATING
	FORGE AREA	HANDS ON/GREEN COAL
3-5 pm	DEMO AREA	BILL WIGGINS – BLADE GRINDING
	CLASSROOM	STEVE DUNN - ENGRAVING
	FORGE AREA	HANDS ON/GREEN COAL
5-7 pm	DINNER	ON YOUR OWN
7-9 pm	CLASSROOM	PREFERRED ABBRASIVES BELT SELECTION
Saturday, August 27, 2022		
Bring Auction Items to Auction Table and Show your Knives Knife Show & Auction are open and free to the Public		
8-10 am	DEMO AREA	KEVIN CASHEN – HEAT TREATING
	CLASSROOM	MARK ZALESKY – ANTIQUE BOWIES
	FORGE AREA	HANDS ON/GREEN COAL
10-12 am	DEMO AREA	JOE SEABOLT – EARLY AMERICAN KNIVES
	CLASSROOM	GREG NEELY & KEVIN CASHEN – JUDGING STANDARDS
	FORGE AREA	HANDS ON/GREEN COAL
12-1 pm	Lunch break	ON YOUR OWN – LUNCH TRUCK - BBQ
1-3 pm	DUKE BUILDING	KNIFE SHOW – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
3-4 pm	DUKE BUILDING	AUCTION – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
5-7 pm	DINNER	ON YOUR OWN
7-9 pm	DEMO AREA	BRET SMITH – LEATHER CARVING FORGE AREA HANDS ON
Sunday, August 28, 2022		
8-10 am	DEMO AREA	JOEL WORELY – DAMASCUS
8-10 AM	CLASSROOM	JOE KEESLAR – HANDLES & GUARDS
10-12 am	DEMO AREA	ROUND TABLE WITH ALL DEMONSTRATORS QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

God Bless and have a safe journey home.

**Directions** to Miami County Fairgrounds, 650 County Rd. 25A, Troy, OH 45373 –  
On Interstate 75 from North, take Exit 78, travel South 3 miles on CR 25A, Fairgrounds will be on the right.  
From the South, take Exit 74, go toward Troy on W. Main St., turn left on N. Elm St, Fairgrounds will be on the left.

**Accommodations**

- **Electrical Hook-ups & Primitive Camping**, for a fee, washrooms & showers are available, no sanitary hook-ups. Cost for electric hook up is \$35 per night, cost for primitive is \$12.00 per night.
- Hampton Inn Troy**, 45 Troy Town Dr, Troy, OH 45373• (937) 339-7801
- Residence Inn by Marriott**, 937/440-9303, 87 Troy Town Dr, 1-75 exit 74 West turn left on Troy Town Dr.
- Comfort Inn Troy**, 937/552-2622, 1800 Towne Park Dr., 87 Troy Town Dr, 1-75 exit 74 West
- Fairfield Inn & Suites** by Marriott Dayton Troy, 83 Troy Town Dr, Troy, OH 45373• (937) 332-1446
- Holiday Inn Express**, 937/332-1700, 60 Troy Town Dr, 1-75 exit 74 West turn left on Troy Town Dr. CALL CINDY FOR SPECIAL RATE AT THE HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS
- Travel Lodge Tipp City**, 937/667-2481, 1100 W Main, 1-75 Exit 68
- Comfort Inn, Piqua**, 937-778-8100, 987 E. Ash St., Miami Valley Centre Mall, Piqua, OH, 45356 (New)
- Baymont Inn Piqua**, 937-615-0140, 950 E Ash St, Piqua, OH 45356
- Motel 6**, 937/335-0021, 1260 S Dorset Rd, 1-75 exit 73 East to Dorset Rd on left
- Royal Inn**, 937/335-0013, 1210 Brukner, 1-75 exit 73 East to Archer Dr turn right just before Waffle House
- Budget Inn**, 1330 Archer Dr, Troy, OH 45373• (937) 339-6564
- Americas Best Value Motel**, 937-339-7957, 30 Troy Town Dr, 1-75 exit 74 West turn left on Troy Town Dr.
- Super 9 Motel**, 30 Troy Town Dr, Troy, OH 45373• (937) 339-1515

**Please Pre-Register**

Register online through the ABS Website Store by credit card. Getting your **\$65.00** Pre-Registration Fee in early gets all your paperwork done and your badge will be ready, but, you can also mail registration form & check to the ABS Store, PO Box 160, Grand Rapids, Ohio 43522 or register at the door for **\$75.00**, all are welcome. Pre-registration closes Monday, August 19, 2022.

Register online at [www.americanbladesmith.org](http://www.americanbladesmith.org)

The knife show table fee is included in the Registration Fee. You must be a registered participant to have a table to show knives.

--Registered Tail Gate Sales & Suppliers are welcome--

PLEASE VISIT THE VENDORS AND SUPPORT THEM

USE THIS FORM ONLY UNTIL AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup>, MAILING AFTER THAT DOES NOT GUARANTEE ARRIVAL ON TIME.

**2022 17<sup>th</sup> Mid America Bladesmithing Symposium & Knife Show**  
**August 26 – 28, 2022, this form must be mailed by August 13, 2022 to assure delivery.**

**FIRST NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **LAST NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOW MANY ATTENDING DEMONSTRATOR DINNERS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Enclose the \$65.00 registration fee.**

Make check or money order payable to American Bladesmith Society and mail to:  
American Bladesmith Society, Inc.

P.O. Box 160  
Grand Rapids OH 43522

Register on line at [www.americanbladesmith.com](http://www.americanbladesmith.com). For more information or to pay by credit card over the phone call Cindy Sheely 419-832-0400