

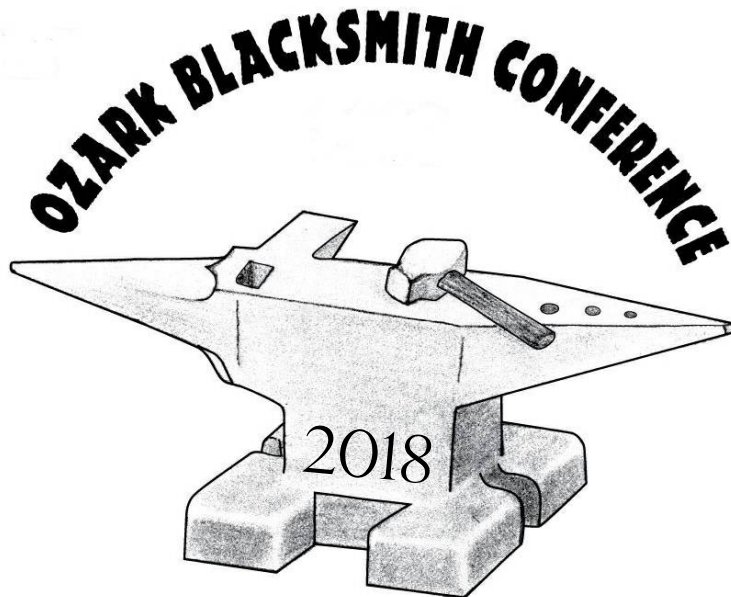


27th Annual Ozark Conference

May 3rd - May 6th , 2018

Missouri State Fairgrounds
Sedalia, MO

pre-registration must be postmarked by April 1st



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We will meet again at the Missouri State Fairgrounds (MSF) in Sedalia, MO. Located just 19 miles South of I-70 on US-65 at the junction of US-65 & US-50.

Don't forget our traditional fund raisers: Benefit Auction, Raffle, and BAM Boutique—as these are BAM's major source of income for the year. Items deemed to be valued at more than \$25 should be donated to the Auction.

Please be courteous to our instructors and fellow attendees by keeping your personal conversations outside the demo areas and remain seated so that others are able to see.

Due to safety concerns, safety glasses are required at all events. Please keep a safe distance from forges and demonstrators unless invited to move closer.

Thank You.
2018 Conference Committee

Questions?

Contact:

Mike Gorzel
314-799-6024 cell

mo.blacksmith.conference@gmail.com

VENDORS AND TAILGATERS

Sites are still free to registered participants in designated areas. Vendor spaces will be assigned and tables will be available from the Fairgrounds at \$8 / table. To make arrangements please contact:

Karen Bouckaert
1-636-673-1996

BAM BOUTIQUE

Please remember to help support BAM by donating something to the BAM Boutique. Items need **not** be blacksmith related. All proceeds go directly to the BAM treasury. Remember to label your donation with your name and a suggested price. Please drop off donations at the Boutique as early as possible during the conference. Patti Tappel or any of the other ladies working there will be glad to take them. Also, please check with the Boutique before you go home. Any non-iron items should be picked up if not sold. We do not have a place to store fabric and other craft items so that they can be maintained in good condition from year to year.

CONFERENCE BENEFIT AUCTION

Please donate any item—tools, books, forgings—that you feel would be of interest to your fellow blacksmiths. Please drop off donations at the Auction Collection Table as early in the conference as possible; buyers like to peruse the table during breaks in the action. This is the major source of revenue for BAM,

OZARK CONFERENCE RAFFLE

(Drawing times to be announced at conference)

Tickets available at the BAM Boutique.

~ Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 ~

3 Conference Tool Boxes

hand-made items included

Treadle Hammer Use for 10 Months

You must be a BAM member in good standing and your membership must be maintained for the entire year. You will be responsible for all transportation from the conference and back to BAM at the March 2018 regular meeting—or before—so it can be prepared for the next conference. It must be kept inside and in good condition, and no modifications may be made. If during the course of use the hammer should become broken or otherwise need repair you will be given the name of BAM members in your area to be notified for assistance. The hammer will not be for sale to you or anyone else for the duration of your use.

BEGINNING BLACKSMITHING¹

with Matthias Penn and Don Birdsall

The BAM sponsored class, teaching the basic skills such as tapering, hot cutting, punching holes, slitting, and forging shapes.

*Limit 10 people. **

Friday Class : \$30.00

WELL SEASONED BEGINNER¹

with Matthew Burnett - MO School of Blacksmithing

A Candleholder for one to four candles.

Students MUST be proficient in the basic skills.

¹ Due to insurance liabilities, BAM membership is required for all blacksmithing classes, as well as safety glasses & other safety equipment for working around HOT metal.

* Minimum age 14 years.

* Blacksmithing class are limited to 10 people. You must call in advance to ensure a spot.

Contact: **Kent & Deanna Harbit 660-647-2349**

~ Demonstrators ~

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To help lower printing costs, see demonstrator's bios on the web or at bamsite.org

Fred Crist

Most recently he has shown work in The American University Art Museum, Art Museum of the Americas, Philadelphia Art Museum Craft Show. In the spring of 2013 Frederic traveled to the Ukraine to create a sculpture for the City of Ivano-Frankivsk. His work was recently featured in Metal Design International 2014. www.facristmetalsmith.com

Jose "Pep" Gómez

Gómez has been a member of the Southwest Artists Blacksmiths, Arizona Artists Blacksmiths, and Borderland Artists Blacksmiths Association for several years. He also owns and operates "Lost Arts Forge and Metal Works" where he specializes in the production of pattern welded steel, forging of pattern welded blades, restoring and rebuilding heavy equipment, and welding fabrication and repair of all things metal.

His work can be seen at Lostartsforge@instagram.com

TRADITIONAL FORGING CONTEST

What it is, how it is judged and the time limit as well as other details will be announced at the time of the contest. Bring your own hammer and skill set.

Sign up before 7:00 pm. on Friday.

Mark J Hopper

is a traditional blacksmith and toolsmith based in Atlanta, GA. He began his blacksmithing journey 26 years ago in England, apprenticing in shops across the country and studied at Hereford College of Art and Design. He spent his journeyman years in first Kenya, then France, and finally the United States. He worked with many smiths in Georgia including Corrina Sephora Mensoff and Michael Dillon before opening his own shop in the heart of Downtown Atlanta. Though he spent many years doing architectural work, presently his shops primary focus is its educational program called Goat n Hammer. Goat n Hammer offers 100% hands on education in blacksmithing, bladesmithing, knifegrinding, toolsmithing, lost wax casting, and associated metal working skills.

www.goatnhammer.com

BASKET CLASSES with Mary Jo McCarty

Friday, 10" Footed Tote

\$35.00

10½" x 8½" x 7" tall basket with iron handle and wood feet, choice of colors

Limit 20 people.

Saturday, Multi-Color Bread Basket

\$40.00

12" x 5" basket with 2 iron side handles. 6 colors to chose from.

Limit 20 people.

Dr. Iron's Slackwater Gallery

It's time once again to start thinking about making something nice for Dr. Iron's Slackwater Gallery. This is our chance to show off, to inspire each other and, to be inspired.

This is not a juried show. You get to decide what's good enough to share. Any category of blacksmith work is welcome. You may, if you wish, offer your work for sale, and work shown in the gallery may also be donated to the auction if you wish.

Please don't be shy or modest. The whole point of this organization is for us to learn from each other. If we don't see your work, how can we learn from you?

Once again we will try to arrange a shipping address for those who either can't come to the conference or who would like to get their work here early. We had a great response last year, and will try to come up with a little more display space so everyone's work can be shown to the best advantage. We think we're getting better, but we're still learning. Any advance information you can give us about your piece would be helpful.

Contact:

Walt Hull

Gallery Coordinator
waltandruthhull@sunflower.com
785-865-5771
or

John Sherwood
jbs50289@sbcglobal.net
314-717-5293

For more information about Sedalia, MO go to:

www.visitsedaliamo.com

OZARK CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 3, 2018

9:00 amSetup Begins
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm.....Open Forging
EveningOfficial Opening

Friday, May 4, 2018

8:00 am - 12:00 pm.....Demonstrators
8:00 am - 12:00 pm.....Beginning Blacksmithing (MTS)
8:00 am - 12:00 pm.....Family Programs

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm.....Lunch Break

Catered Lunch available – reservations ONLY

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm..... Demonstrators
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.....Beginning Blacksmithing (MTS)
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm..... Family Programs

**7:00 pmBusiness Meeting
Traditional Forging Contest**

Saturday, May 5, 2018

8:00 am - 12:00 pm..... Demonstrators
8:00 am - 12:00 pm..... Family Programs
8:00 am - 12:00 pm.....Intermediate Blacksmithing

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm.....Lunch Break

Catered Lunch available – reservations ONLY

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.....Demonstrators
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.....Intermediate Blacksmithing
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.....Family Programs

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm.....Banquet Dinner Served

7:00 pmAwards, Drawings, Auction

Sunday, May 6, 2018

9:00 amClean Up (*all hands appreciated*)

(Schedule subject to change / see website for any updates)

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Make Check out to **BAM** and mail to:

Kent & Deanna Harbit
627 Poplar Drive
Windsor, MO 65360
660-647-2349

Name: _____

Others Attending: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Late Registration *(postmarked after 4/1/18)*

Whole conference # _____ x \$70.00 _____ /family

Early Registration *(postmarked before 4/1/18)*

Whole Conference # _____ x \$65.00 _____ /family

Fri ONLY # _____ x \$40.00 _____ /family

Sat ONLY # _____ x \$40.00 _____ /family

Catered Meals *(pre-registration required)*

Friday Lunch # _____ x \$8.50 _____ /person

Saturday Lunch # _____ x \$8.50 _____ /person

Saturday Banquet # _____ x \$14.00 _____ /person

WORKSHOPS *(WITH PAID REGISTRATION)*

Beginning Blacksmithing*

(Requires membership) # _____ x \$30.00 _____ /person

Seasoned Beginner Blacksmithing*

(Requires membership) # _____ x \$30.00 _____ /person

Basket Weaving Friday* # _____ x \$35.00 _____ /person

Basket Weaving Saturday* # _____ x \$35.00 _____ /person

BAM membership dues \$30.00 _____

Total Enclosed _____

**See requirements under class description*

LODGING

Camping

Campsites are available at the Missouri State Fair Grounds. Fees will be collected by MSF after you set up. Full RV hook up \$20 /night. Tent sites \$10 /night.

~ No Camping in the Swine Pavilion. ~

Motels *Make reservations early. The rooms are going fast.*

Comfort Inn Sedalia Station	660-829-5050
Econolodge Truman Inn	660-826-8400
Motel 6	660-827-5890
American Inn	660-826-2488
Best Western	660-826-6100
Holiday Inn Express & Suites	660-826-4000
Hotel at State Fair	660-827-5890
Hotel Bothwell	660-826-5588
Stardust Motel	660-826-8662
Sunset Motel	660-826-1446
Super 7	660-827-0215

Catering by:

Plowboys BBQ

Sedalia, MO

Saturday Night Banquet \$14.00

Pulled Pork, Turkey Breast, Au Gratin Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Dinner Roll, Apple & Cherry Crumble, Tea, Lemonade

Lunches \$8.50

Friday Lunch

Chicken Breast Sandwich
Coleslaw, Chips
Cookie
Tea or Lemonade

Saturday Lunch

Cured Ham Sandwich
Potato Salad, Chips
Cookie
Tea or Lemonade

BAM BAM Conference Registration

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