

Sarasota Shell Club 59th Annual Shell Show February 10-11, 2023

Dear Exhibitor,

The Sarasota Shell Club invites you to exhibit at our 59th Annual Shell Show February 10-11, 2023. The show location is at the Potter Building, 2896 Ringling Blvd, right next door to Robarts Arena off Fruitville Road in Sarasota.

We have made changes to the rules, categories, and awards, so PLEASE READ THIS PACKET CAREFULLY to be sure you place your exhibit in the proper category. The Artistic Chair or Scientific Chair, in consultation with the Shell Show Chair, reserves the right to place exhibits in their proper categories. Exhibit space is limited, so we encourage you to submit your entry forms as early as possible.

Available on our website are the **2023 Shell Show Rules, list of awards, categories, and exhibit entry forms.** We hope you will participate in our show and we look forward to receiving your entry form. As you plan the space needed for your exhibit, please remember to account for any spacing between your cases and any extra space needed for an easel, frame, or anything else that might sit next to your exhibit. Measure your exhibit carefully and document your requirements accurately. Once our layout is made, it is difficult to change it the day of the show set up.

Entry forms must be received by December 18, 2022. Email entries will be accepted and should be sent to:

- Artistic entries: Sally Peppitoni at shellmaniac8@gmail.com,
- Scientific entries: Ron Bopp at rbopp1@tampabay.rr.com
- Snail mail addresses are on the entry forms.

All email entries will be acknowledged within 10 days. Any snail mail entries will receive an acknowledgement within two weeks. If you have not received an acknowledgement within this time, please follow up with the contact person at the bottom of the entry form.

Please bring your exhibits to the Potter Building for check-in on Thursday, February 9 between 10 a.m. and NOON. You may park behind the building and bring your exhibits in one of two sets of double doors. Exhibits not in place and ready by 1 p.m. will NOT be accepted for judging. We recommend that you bring a cart to use.

SPECIAL NOTE: All exhibitors must be off the auditorium floor by 1 p.m. on Thursday, as this is when the judging will commence. Any exhibitor who approaches or speaks to a judge on Thursday during judging will be disqualified.

All exhibitors and Sarasota Shell Club members are encouraged to spend time at the show volunteering at various assignments as time permits. We take pride in being friendly to all exhibitors and hope you will consider joining us at the awards banquet Saturday night. Please note: the Sarasota Shell Club will not be providing food for exhibitors. However, we will have bottled water and coffee available. You are welcome to bring your lunch, snacks and non-alcoholic beverages with you.

Information about the 2023 Shell Show is available on our website: www.sarasotashellclub.com.

Regards,

Sally Peppitoni, Artistic Chairperson/Shell Show Chairperson Ron Bopp, Scientific Chairperson