

## Did you know .....

- 2019 is the "Year of the Turkey" at the Ohio National with an APA sanctioned turkey show. Turkey judging will be done as never before at an open poultry show. Judge Jeff Halbach will score all open & junior turkeys "on the bench" prior to judging them on the ground in the traditional manner. APT TV host P. Allen Smith and the Heritage Poultry Conservancy have committed very generous cash awards toward the event. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for turkey fanciers. You won't want to miss it. Entry deadline is October 10, 2019. For direct inquiries, please email Clell Agler at [cagler@columbus.rr.com](mailto:cagler@columbus.rr.com).
- in conjunction with the turkey show, a special showmanship class will be offered for Juniors exhibiting turkeys. Juniors may choose to show in their regular age-specific class or in the all-inclusive turkey showmanship class. The top 5 showman will be recognized.
- young journalists can hone their skills by submitting an essay of 500 words or less for the essay contest. This year's topic is "Why is the Turkey Important to America". Awards will be presented for the top 3 entries in each of 3 age levels. Winners will be posted on the Ohio National website. Submit your article to the registration table on Saturday by 9:00 AM.
- if you are interested in raising turkeys or other types of exhibition poultry, our experienced breeders love to help youth get started and are glad to answer questions about their breeds and serve as mentors r/t breeding and showing. You can buy birds at the show on Trader's Row or directly from breeders exhibiting at the show.

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# OHIO NATIONAL



# POULTRY SHOW

Voinovich Center

Ohio State Fairgrounds

Held Annually

the Second Week-end in November

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**Meyer Hatchery**

## Did you know .....

- the Ohio National is the largest Open & Junior Open poultry show in the country. The show is held annually in Columbus, Ohio the second week-end in November. The average show hosts 5,000 to 6,000 birds with over 1300 birds in the Junior Show alone.
- in 2016, the Ohio National was featured in a documentary aired on CMT. The show provides a look into the world of exhibition poultry. The film "CHICKEN PEOPLE" is available on Netflix. On Demand and Amazon.
- there are generous cash awards for large fowl champions sponsored by the Heritage Poultry Conservancy whose focus is on the preservation & exhibition of large fowl.
- the Ohio National offers a \$500.00 scholarship annually to a worthy Ohio National exhibitor. The scholarship application and rules are available on the Ohio National website at [www.ohionational.org](http://www.ohionational.org).
- showmanship is a BIG DEAL at the Ohio National. Most exhibitors will tell you it is their favorite part of the show. To go home with a showmanship trophy is a real accomplishment!! Awards are presented to the top 5 showmen in each of 11 showmanship classes. You don't have to be an exhibitor to participate in showmanship. Just bring your bird to the registration table before 9:00AM Saturday morning. Entry fee for non-exhibitors is \$5.00.
- you will see chickens, ducks, turkeys, and geese of nearly every breed and variety at the Ohio National show.
- SATURDAY is the best day for non-exhibitors to visit our show. Youth 18 and under get in for free. Adult admission is \$5.00 at the door.

## JR SHOW SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(Saturday)

9:00 Judging of birds begins

9:30 Essays due at Registration Table

9:30 Showmanship Judging begins

The showmanship competition begins at

9:30 AM and is divided into eleven

groups for small fry thru 18 years old (determined by age on the day of show).

6 and under 7-8-9 10 11 12 13

14 15 16 17-18

\*NEW for 2019 only — a turkey showmanship class for ages 6 thru 18

2:00 Educational Opportunity

Success in exhibition poultry isn't based on luck. We believe education is the key to raising a healthy, competitive flock and enjoying your poultry experience. Thus, an educational opportunity is offered annually. Turkey-related topic pending for 2019.

4:30 Youth Show Awards Ceremony

## \$500 Scholarship

All Junior awards including scholarship winner will be announced on Saturday following completion of ALL contests. The ceremony will take place in the show arena near the trophy display.

NOTE: All birds must remain cooped until dismissed on Sunday morning.

## Thank You Meyer Hatchery



For the past several years Meyer Hatchery has sponsored the Ohio National Junior Show and we cannot thank them enough for their support. It would not otherwise be possible to host such a huge show. The show is held in the beautiful Voinovich Center on the Ohio State Fairgrounds. In the documentary "CHICKEN PEOPLE", the Ohio National is described as the Westminster of the poultry world. We hope you will join us for this grand event, either as an exhibitor or guest. Non-exhibitors are welcome. Saturday is the day of choice for non-exhibitors. Youth 18 and under get in for free. Adult admission is \$5.00 at the door.