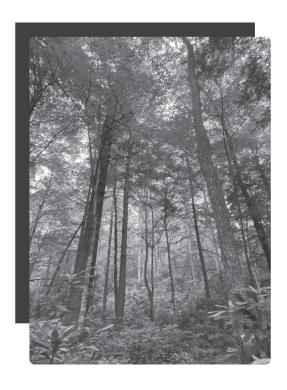
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## Welcome to the 2025 Kentucky Wood Expo!

On behalf of the Kentucky Forest Industries

Association (KFIA) - sponsor of the Kentucky

Wood Expo - and in partnership with the University of Kentucky Department of Forestry - Extension, we extend a warm and hearty welcome to our 36th show!

We are thrilled to return to Masterson Station Park in Lexington, KY, as we celebrate over 40 years of the Kentucky Logging Show—originally founded in 1983. This event has grown into a premier regional gathering, and we're proud to showcase the very best in forestry and wood industry innovation.

A full weekend of activities has been planned for attendees of all ages. Volunteers from KFIA and the wood industry community have worked tirelessly throughout the year to prepare a welcoming and informative event for visitors from across Kentucky and the United States.

This official program includes schedules of various events, exhibitions, and demonstrations, as well as photographs highlighting memorable moments from past expos.

The Kentucky Wood Expo has built a strong reputation as one of the top trade shows in the region, showcasing the latest in technology, products, and information for the forest products industry. It has also been recognized as one of the top ten tourism events by the Kentucky Tourism Council. The wood products sector directly supports over 28,000 jobs in the Commonwealth, and your ongoing support helps this vital industry thrive.

Again, welcome to the 36<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Wood Expo. We encourage you to explore the many booths, displays, and attractions throughout the weekend. If you have questions or need assistance, please visit the KFIA information tent located between the exhibit buildings or look for expo staff wearing blue t-shirts.

Thank you for joining us. We hope you have a safe, fun, and memorable weekend!

James Wright, KFIA Executive Director

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## **Kentucky Wood Expo**

## Friday, September 19

9:00 a.m. **Gates & Exhibits Open** 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Log A Load for Kids Silent Auction - Exhibit Building 2 9:00 a.m. - noon **EKSAF and KACF Meeting -** UK Forestry Educational Area 9:00 a.m. - 10 a.m. **Learning Best Management Practices** - Master Logger Area 9:00 a.m. - 10 a.m. Felled Tree Studies - Master Logger Area **High School Youth Forestry FFA Competition -**10:00 a.m. Lumberiack Arena **Horse Logging Demonstration** - Booth 65 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. - 3 p.m. Knuckleboom Contest - Booths 8 - 9 10:00 a.m. - 3 p.m. **Kentucky Log Bridge Program -UK Forestry Educational Area** Noon - 3:00 p.m. Critter Tent - Critter "show and tell" including snakes, mammal skulls, furs and bugs - UK Forestry Educational Area Forest Health Training - UK Forestry Educational Area 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. 1:00 - 4:30 p.m. **Create Your Own Cutting Board** - Booths 66 & 67 Small Scale Logging: Cutting and Moving Logs Using 1:00 p.m. **ATV's and Tractors** - UK Forestry Educational Area 1:30 p.m. **Horse Logging Demonstration** - Booth 65 **Open Forestry Competitions** - Lumberjack Arena 3:30 p.m.

**Gates Close** 

5:00 p.m.

## **Schedule of Events\***

## Saturday, September 20

8:30 a.m. **Gates & Exhibits Open** 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Log A Load for Kids Silent Auction - Exhibit Building 2 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Create Your Own Cutting Board Workshop -Booths 66 & 67 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Critter Tent - Critter "show and tell" including snakes, mammal skulls, furs and bugs - UK Forestry Educational Area 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Tree and Wood Id Rubbings - UK Forestry Educational Area 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Kentucky Lumberjack Competition** - Lumberjack Arena 9:00 a.m. - 10 a.m. **Learning Best Management Practices** - Master Logger Area 9:00 a.m. - 10 a.m. Felled Tree Studies - Master Logger Area **Small Scale Logging: Cutting and Moving Logs Using** 10:00 a.m. **ATV's and Tractors** - UK Forestry Educational Area **Tree Identification -** UK Forestry Educational Area 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. **Horse Logging Demonstration** - Booth 65 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Knuckleboom Contest - Booths 8 - 9 10:00 a.m. - 3 p.m. **Kentucky Log Bridge Program -UK Forestry Educational Area** Skidder Contest - Skidder Area 11:00 a.m. **Chainsaw Carving Competition LIVE Auction -**12:30 p.m. Lumberjack Arena **Small Scale Logging: Cutting and Moving Logs Using** 1:00 p.m. ATV's and Tractors - UK Forestry Educational Area **Horse Logging Demonstration** - Booth 65 1:30 p.m. **Gates Close** 4:30 p.m.

<sup>\*</sup>Schedule of events is subject to change.

## Forest Health Training September 19 • 1 - 4 p.m. • UK Forestry Education Area

Learn about invasive plants and their management with specialists from around the state. From identifying invasive plants to herbicides and other management techniques, there are many threats facing our trees and you can be key to healthy forests in the future.

CEUs will be provided (KY Master Logger, KY Pesticide Applicator, KY SAF, KERS CEUs are being sought).

#### Managing Invasive Plants in Kentucky's Woodlands

1:00 - 1:45 p.m.	What are Kentucky's most damaging invasive plants? Ellen Crocker, University of Kentucky
1:45 - 2:30 p.m.	Effective Treatments for Common Invasives Adam Taylor, Kentucky Division of Forestry
2:30 - 3:15 p.m.	Role of Herbicides in Stand Improvement Joe Omielan, University of Kentucky
3:15 - 4:00 p.m.	Planning Out a Brush Management Job Jody Thompson, Kentucky State University

## **Critter Tent**

Both days, this hands on tent allows visitors to handle and gaze upon several nonvenomous, live amphibians and reptiles, and mammal skulls and furs. This tent will also house tree id, tree rubbings, wood id, invasive plants and more. The Critter Tent will be an opportunity for people to get a close look at some very unusual creatures in a safe, educational environment. Take a scavenger hunt and learn more about forestry careers at the ForestryWorks table.



September 19 · 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

September 20 · 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. • UK Forestry Education Area

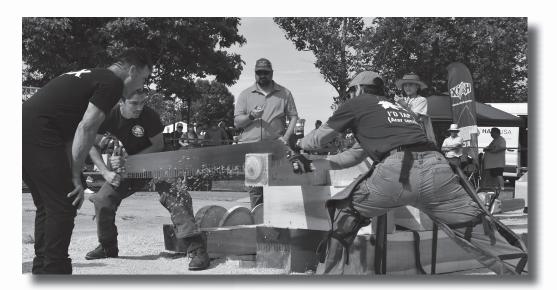
## Lumberjack Competitions September 19 • 3:30 p.m. • Lumberjack Arena

Don't Miss the Open Forestry Competition – Friday at 3:30 PM!
Kicking off the weekend, teams from across Kentucky and neighboring states will go head-to-head in an exciting open forestry competition to determine who has the top lumberjack crew.

This friendly but fierce showdown will feature:

- Crosscut Sawing
- Axe Throwing
- Stock Chainsaw Events

Joining the action will be some enthusiastic amateur lumberjacks, bringing extra excitement and heart to the competition as they assist and compete alongside the teams. Whether you're cheering from the sidelines or watching up close, this is a can't-miss event to get your weekend started right!



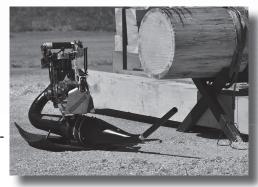


#### September 20 · 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. · Lumberjack Arena

The Kentucky Wood Expo is thrilled to announce the return of the Kentucky Lumberjack Competition! Get ready to witness top-tier lumberjack athletes in action as they compete in a series of thrilling events throughout the day on Saturday. Lumberjack events will include:

- Axe Throwing
- Standing Block Chop
- Underhand Chopping
- Men's and Women's Crosscut Saw Competitions
- Stock Chainsaw Races
- And many more!

And don't miss the crowd-favorite HOT SAW Competition, an adrenalinepumping event that will have you on the edge of your seat from the moment those engines roar to life!



A special thank you to Bryan Equipment Sales (Distributor for STIHL Inc.) for generously providing the saws and supporting this year's competitions. Their continued partnership helps bring the excitement of the lumberjack tradition to life. Join us for a day full of energy, skill, and sawdust flying!

### **Create Your Own Cutting Board**

September 19 · 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. September 20 · 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Come and create a cutting board! Participants in this workshop will receive a FREE beautiful hardwood cutting board made from locally grown Kentucky trees. Participants will router, drill, sand, and finish their board's onsite. While participating you will learn how important the wood industry is to Kentucky's economy. The cutting boards were donated by Kentucky Forest Industries Association members and the University of Kentucky Department of Forestry and Natural Resources. Go to booth #66 and 67.





## **Horse Logging Demonstrations**

September 19 & 20 · 10 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. · Booth 65

James Guthrie, of Arrow G LLC, will present and discuss the basics of horse or mule logging. James has spent the last 18 years learning the skills of working alongside draft horses, and he enjoys sharing the majesty of a working animal.

On Friday and Saturday, James and his equine companions will present around 10:00 AM and 1:30 PM. Throughout the day, there will be plenty of times to meet and greet these gentle giants. Feel free to ask questions during the demonstration.

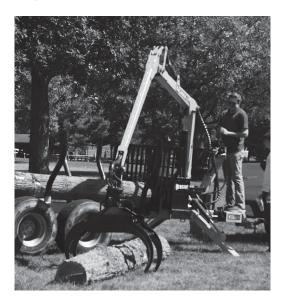


### Small Scale Logging: Cutting and Moving Logs

#### September 19 • 1 p.m. • UK Forestry Education Area September 20 • 10 a.m. & 1 p.m. • UK Forestry Education Area

University of Kentucky Forestry Extension will host a presentation and demonstration on the basics of small scale logging for woodland landowners, farmers and other interested entrepreneurs. The presentation will include exposure to general practices and equipment demonstrations to help landowners safely and efficiently cut and move logs and firewood. These attachments can allow for management to occur on small acreage woodlands or in highly degraded stands, which otherwise may not be feasible for a commercial logging operation to work on.

Demonstrations will include the use of an ATV/ Side-by-side mounted log skidding plate, log arches, a farm tractor log winch, and a grapple log loading trailer. Chainsaw safety, woodland tools and PPE will be discussed.



## **Chainsaw Carving Competition & Live Auction**

#### September 20 · Lumberjack Arena · 12:30 PM

Get ready to witness skill, creativity, and chainsaws in action! Chainsaw Carvers will showcase their talent by creating stunning wood sculptures live during the Kentucky Wood Expo, with one goal in mind—crafting the perfect piece for a great cause. Each carver will contribute at least one high-quality piece, carved during show hours, to be featured in a live auction. All proceeds will benefit the Kentucky Children's Hospital in Lexington, KY, through a 50/50 split with the artist. Whether you're a fan of woodworking or want a one-of-a-kind piece for your home or cabin, don't miss this exciting event. Bid high and help kids thrive!

#### Competition Prizes:

• First Place (Highest Bid): \$500

• Second Place: \$250

Carvers Competing: TB Wooden Creations, Metamora, IN Troy Baker, 765.338.7557

Derek Richardson Chainsaw Art, Brandenburg, KY Derek Richardson, 270.945.5028

Bear Grrr Custom Chainsaw Carvings, Sandusky, MI Patrick Barrigar, 810.358.1687 Enchanted Forest Carving, North Manchester, IN Sherri Corn, 765.460.7304

Fancy Firewood, Bath Springs, TN Hank Ivey, 731.733.0635

RB's Custom Carvings, Warren, IN Ron Bradford, 260.375.3181



## Log a Load for Kids – Helping Children, One Tree at a Time



Now in its 37<sup>th</sup> year, Log a Load for Kids uses America's green, renewable resource

 trees to help create miracles for sick and injured children. This nationwide fundraising effort brings together log-

gers, the forest industry, and state forestry associations to sup-

port Children's Miracle Network Hospitals.

With chapters in 30 states and over \$49 million raised nationally, *Log a Load for Kids* continues to make a meaningful difference in communities across the country.

#### **Kentucky's Impact**

Since launching in 1997, the Kentucky *Log a Load for Kids* program has raised more than \$1 million for the Kentucky Children's Hospital (KCH) in Lexington. Remarkably, 100% of the money raised in Kentucky stays in Kentucky, directly benefiting local children and families.

#### Funds have supported:

- The Child Life Playroom Renovation
- Two custom interactive "trees" in the KCH Child Life room and at a clinic location
- Two research endowments
- Special MRI goggles to help children remain calm
- A large, welcoming mural near the elevators and others in the pediatric outpatient clinics

### Investing in the Future: A Mobile Pediatric Clinic

Log a Load contributions are helping fund a Mobile Clinic that will bring healthcare directly to families in underserved parts of the state. This unit will provide:

- Pediatric cardiology
- Specialty care
- General pediatric services
- Mental health support

In Kentucky, 1 in 4 children lack access to a pediatrician in their home county. This clinic is a lifeline to families without the resources or transportation to access care.

#### **How You Can Help**

The Kentucky Log a Load for Kids Committee raises funds through:

- Direct contributions from loggers
- Fundraisers hosted by mills and the Kentucky Forest Industries Association
- Silent Auction at the Kentucky Wood Expo

### Visit the Silent Auction in Indoor Exhibit Building #2

Bid on a wide selection of items, write down your name, phone number, and bid.

Bidding closes at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 20.

Make sure to check back before you leave to ensure you haven't been outbid!

## Show the World the Wood Industry Has a Heart

Support Log a Load for Kids—because helping children heal is a legacy we can all stand behind.



## Inspiring the Next Generation of Forestry Leaders

Student Day at the Kentucky Wood Expo is more than just fun—it's an investment in the future of Kentucky's forest industry. Through education, exploration, and handson experiences, young minds are encouraged to discover the important role forests play in our lives and communities. Each year, the Kentucky Wood Expo proudly welcomes elementary, middle, and high school students from local and surrounding counties. Thanks to the generosity of Kentucky Forest Industries Association (KFIA) members, students can attend free of charge.

While at the Expo, students engage in a variety of interactive activities designed to:

- Highlight the value of forest products
- Show how wood is used in everyday life
- Educating on sustainable forest management practices

#### **Educational Competitions** & Demonstrations

Led by Michael Froelich of the KY Division of Forestry, in coordination with local FFA teachers, students compete in forestry knowledge contests and enjoy a lumberjack competition tailored just for them.
Special thanks to Stacy White and Laurie Thomas of the UK Extension Service for their dedication to organizing the student programming.

## Industry Support & Giveaways

Several exhibitors enhance

the experience by offering educational materials, handson demonstrations, and giveaways related to careers and innovations in the forest industry.

One of the favorite student activities is the Log Weight Guessing Contest, held near Exhibit Building #1, where students can try to guess the weight of a large log provided by GreenTree Forest Products of Wallingford, KY.

Prizes are awarded in two divisions:

- Ages 12 and under
- Ages 13 and over

In 2023, the log weighed an impressive 2,840 pounds - will anyone get close this year?

## ForestryWorks of Kentucky

Stop by the ForestryWorks booth in the Critter Tent to learn all about careers in forestry and see which one could be right for you! Learn all about different forestry education programs, meet some forestry professionals, and see where forestry means for your future. We will have some hands-on activities to explore different parts of the forest industry.



## Guess the Weight of the Monster Log!

Located near the KFIA Information Tent

Think you've got what it takes to guess the weight of a massive log on display at the Kentucky Wood Expo? Stop by the KFIA Information Tent and take your best shot!

This year's log has been generously supplied by GreenTree Forest Products of Wallingford, KY.

Prizes for the Whole Family!

- STIHL Chainsaw
- Handcrafted Rocking Chair
- Bluetooth Headphones for the Kids

All prizes are proudly sponsored by Green-Tree Forest Products, Inc. You might even pick up a few tips from KFIA members to help with your guess!

In 2023, the log tipped the scales at a whopping 8,490 pounds. Fun, and open to all show participants - don't miss your chance to win! Good Luck!

Prizes for the Log Guess and Student Competition were donated by







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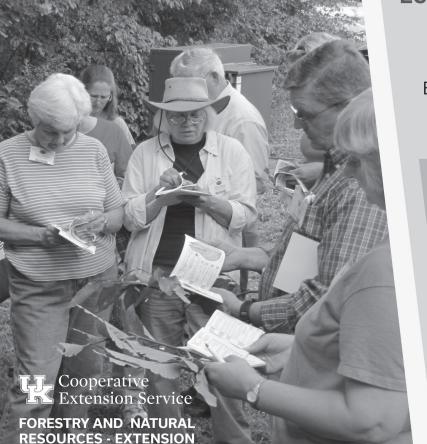
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Want to learn more about the Kentucky Logging Bridge Program? The Kentucky Logging Bridge Program provides temporary wooden bridges (skidder bridges) to loggers during operations requiring crossing streams or channels.

This program offers a rentto-own option that essentially sells skidder bridges for 25 percent of the actual skidder bridge cost.

See the Forestry Educational area for more information.



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### **Check out our Food Vendors!**

The Kentucky Wood Expo is privileged to have excellent food vendors on-site, providing a variety for the entire family.

#### **Big Daddy's Fried Chicken**

Frankfort, KY

T: 502.352.1865

Menu: fried chicken, wings, tenders, catfish, shrimp, fries, potato salad, baked beans, cole slaw

#### **Double R Smokehouse**

Williamsburg, KY

T: 606.215.6394

Menu: smoked pulled pork tenderloin, cheeseburgers, hot dogs, fries, chili cheese fries, lemonade

#### **Taco Jerk**

Louisville, KY

T: 502.321.4133

Menu: chicken & ground beef tacos &

nachos

#### **Country Boy Brewing**

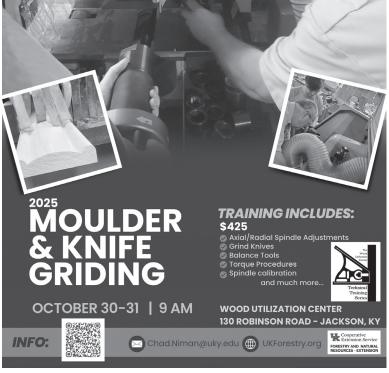
Georgetown, KY

T: 859.619.7160

Menu: craft beverages







Moulder and Knife Grinding - October 30-31



Do you think you've got what it takes to handle heavy equipment with precision and control? Expo participants are invited to compete in the Skidder Driving and Knuckleboom Contests — a thrilling test of skill, focus, and forestry know-how.

## **Knuckleboom Contest**

Friday & Saturday, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Contest site: Patterson Chip Exhibit Space

#### How to Register:

- Friday and Saturday Registration: On-site at the contest area in the Patterson Chip Booth area
- Entry Fee: \$25.00

#### Eligibility:

- Open to any qualified individual age 18 or older
- Limited to the first 30 registered competitors

#### Prizes:

- 1st Place \$200 & trophy
- 2nd Place \$100 & trophy
- 3rd Place \$50 & trophy

Patterson Chip Company, Barbourville, KY, is conducting the Knuckleboom Loader Contest at Booth #8-10.



Whether you're in it to win or just to prove your skills, this is your chance to show what you can do behind the wheel of a skidder!

## **Skidder Driving Contest**

Saturday, September 20 – 11:00 AM - Contest site: Back area of the grounds near the McCoy Construction and Forestry booth

#### How to Register:

- Saturday Registration: On-site at the contest area near the McCoy Construction and Forestry booth
- Friday Pre-Registration: Visit the KFIA Tent, located between the two indoor exhibit buildings
- Entry Fee: \$25.00

#### Eligibility:

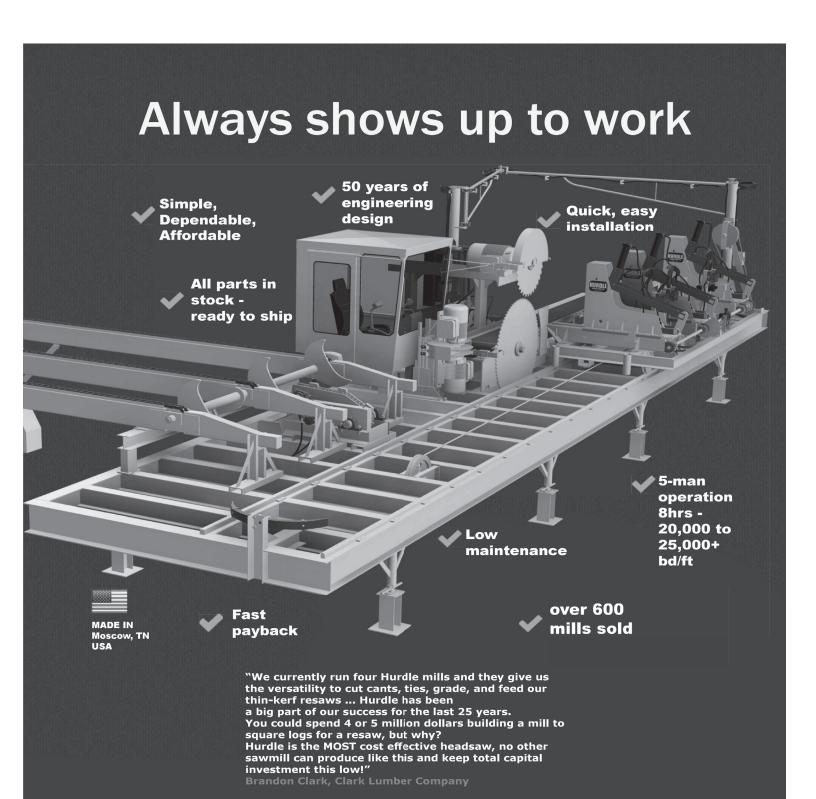
- Open to any qualified individual age 18 or older
- Limited to the first 30 registered competitors

#### Prizes:

- 1st Place \$300 & trophy
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place- \$200 & trophy
- 3rd Place \$100 & trophy

The contest will be conducted by Coby Stephens, Kentucky Hardwood Lumber, Burnside, KY; Rob Cornett and Ray Madden, Kentucky Hardwood Lumber; and Dick Brantigan, D & M Forestry, Winchester, KY. Skidder courtesy of McCoy Construction & Forestry, Georgetown, KY

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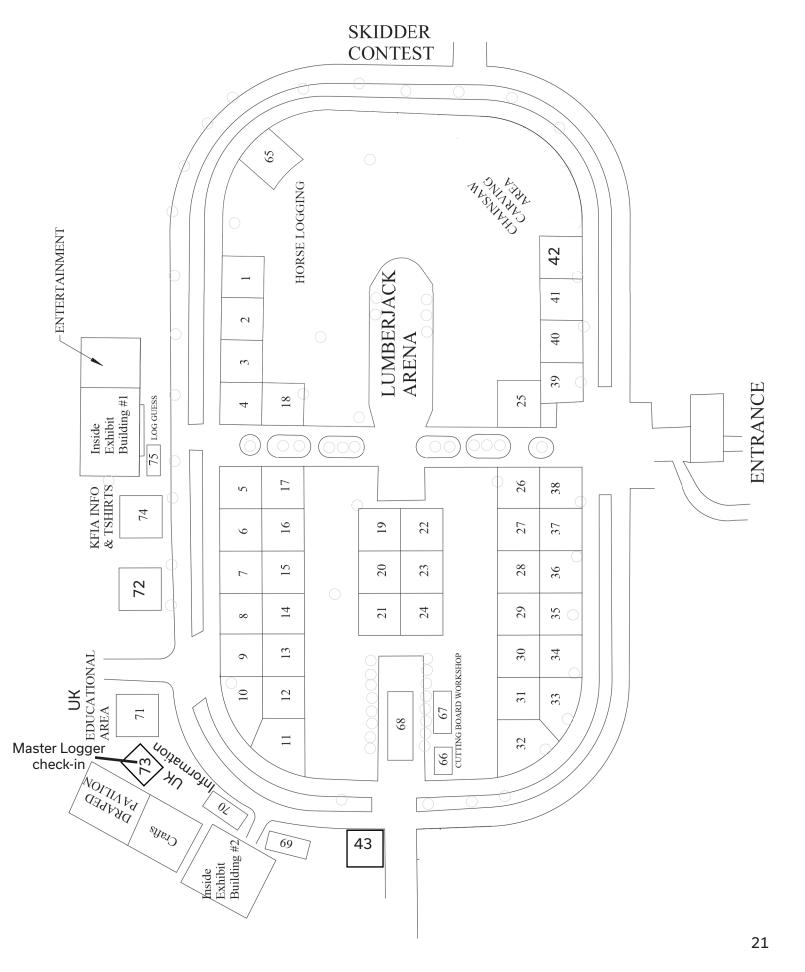


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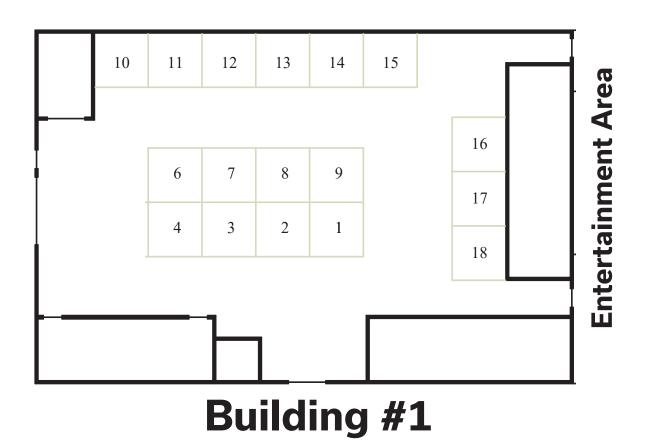
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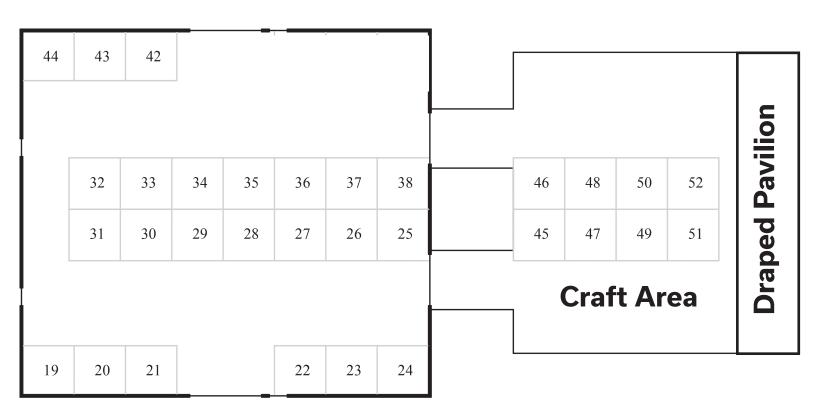
- 1-4 & 18 McCoy Construction & Forestry
- 5 Hud-Son Forest Equipment/Dave's Sawmill Sales
- 6, 7 Brandeis Machinery & Supply
- 8, 9 Patterson Chip Co.
- 10 Knuckleboom Contest
- 11 Kentucky Children's Hospital
- 12 Precision Husky Co.
- 13 Carbotech
- 14 15 SERRA Machine GmbH
- 16 TimberSync
- 17 Wood-Mizer LLC
- 18 McCoy Construction & Forestry
- 19 Haix North America Inc.
- 20 B & H Equipment
- 21 Danzer Veneer Americas, Inc.
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- 25 Schaeffer Manufacturing
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- 70 Onsite Technologies, LLC
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## **Outside Exhibit Area Map**



## **Inside Exhibit Areas**





**Building #2** 

## **Inside Exhibit Area Exhibits**

#### **Building #1**

- 1 Pantron Automation Inc
- 2 Sawmill MD
- 3 Glasscock Log & Lumber Inc.
- 4 ISK Biocides Inc
- 6 Lumbermen Online
- 7, 8 Emerald Energy & Exploration Land Co.
- 9 Pennsylvania Lumbermens Mutual Insurance
- 10 Berry Center Farm & Forest Institute (The)
- 11, 12 American Chestnut Foundation (Kentucky)
- 13 Freeman Corporation (The)
- 14 Avian
- 15 Aftermarket Parts, Div. of VVG
- 16 Forestry Systems
- 17 Hurdle Machine Works
- 18 Messersmith Manufacturing

#### **Building #2**

- 19 Kentucky Tree Farm
- 20 Kentucky Division of Forestry
- 21 Digital Wood Carver
- 22 Saw Control System
- 23 Kentucky Woodland Owners Assn.
- 24 American Lumber & Pallet
- 25, 28 Lawson's Crafts
- 26, 27 Caswell Crafts
- 28, 29 Woodland Parts & Services, Inc.
- 30 UK Forestry and Natural Resources
- 31 34 Kentucky Log a Load for Kids Silent Auction
- 34 Lumbermen's Magazine
- 35 National Hardwood Magazine
- 36 Hardwood Review
- 38 Lawson's Crafts

## Live Music Featuring... John Thomas Moore

The music will be in the Entertainment area located next to the Indoor Exhibit Building #1.

John Thomas Moore is a 22-year-old singer-songwriter from Harrodsburg, KY. His first EP, "Salt River Blues," was released in 2022. He released three singles in 2023 titled "Seventeen", "Not Like You Care", and "Lyin' in My Head".

His songs range from Americana to rock and roll. His acoustic-style band consists of lead guitar, stand-up bass, and cajon, but he puts on a solo show that brings a crowd. He found his voice singing in church and started writing music during the COVID-19 pandemic.

He has performed at venues all over the state. He was a Saturday headliner at the 2023 Pioneer Days in Harrodsburg, Kentucky, at Fort Harrods State Park, and performed at a sold-out Origin Hotel during Keeneland's 2023 Spring Meet. He was the headlining musician at the 2023 Rugged Red Half Marathon in the Red River Gorge.

In 2025, John Thomas Moore was nominated in two categories - Americana/Folk and Singer-Song-

writer - for the Lexington Music Awards. Follow https://johnthomasmoore.com



## Master Loggers Get CEU's at the Expo

The Kentucky Forest Industries Association invites loggers to attend a free continuing education short-course scheduled at the Kentucky Wood Expo. The classes will be worth 6 hours of continuing education credit. The Forest Conservation Act requires all Kentucky Master Loggers to have six hours of continuing education every three years to maintain Master Logger status.

For more information on how to attend these classes stop by the Master Logger Booth in the Pavilion. These classes are being offered by the association as a service to the logging community. KFIA is working to help our logging members stay current on issues in Kentucky.



## Kentucky Master Loggers! Earn 6 CEU Credits

In order for Kentucky Master Loggers to earn 6 hours of Continuing Education they must complete a checklist of 18 activities:

#### **Must attend 4 presentations:**

#### Friday, Sept. 19

- Forest Health Program (Counts as 4 presentations you can also earn KY Pesticide Applicator CEU's)
- Best Management Practices (BMP's)
- Felled Tree Studies for CE hours
- Small Scale Logging Demo
- Logging Bridge Demo
- Hot Saw Demo
- · Knuckleboom contest competitor
- Tree Identificiation

#### Saturday, Sept. 16

- Best Management Practices (BMP's)
- Felled Tree Studies for CE hours
- Small Scale Logging Demo
- Logging Bridge Demo
- Hot Saw Demo
- Skidder contest competitor
- Knuckleboom contest competitor

#### **Both Days: Must visit 6 vendors:**

• Vendor visits must be logging-related.

#### Both Days: Must visit 6 booths and 2 miscellaneous tasks:

- Skidder contest
- Knuckleboom contest
- Guess the Weight of the log
- Log-A-Load silent auction
- Other approved booth visits

Pick up a form for signatures at the Kentucky Master Logger Booth (UK information area).

Complete 18 activities.

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Designed to be both educational and entertaining, the Expo offers a welcoming environment for the public to learn about Kentucky's vital wood industry. Held in Lexington, the event has seen great success over the years, and we continue to expand the Expo, attracting more attendees with each edition.

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