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Buy a 2019 Iowa State Fair Chainsaw Woodcarving

Des Moines, IA- Nothing compares to Iowa State Fair Favorites! The Blue Ribbon Foundation is giving you the opportunity to take a carved souvenir home to commemorate the 2019 Iowa State Fair. Fairgoers enjoy the thrill of watching Gary Keenan and T.J. Jenkins use chainsaws to carve masterpieces out of wood. On August 18 at 3:30 P.M. each of the carvings will be auctioned off at the John and Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn's Penningroth Media Center for the 2019 Woodcarver's Auction. All proceeds benefit the Iowa State Fair Blue Ribbon Foundation's mission of renovating the historic Iowa State Fairgrounds.

Fairgoers can watch these wooden creations unfold when Keenan and Jenkins carve four times throughout each day during the duration of the Fair at 10:00 a.m., noon, 3:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Past carvings have been wildlife animals and event sport's team logos! Prepare to be amazed as you watch these skilled woodcarvers in action. The carving takes place between the First Church and Pioneer Hall.

The Blue Ribbon Foundation offers many opportunities for Fair fans to show their support and excitement for the great Iowa State Fair. Through giving programs, membership programs and special events like the Woodcarver's Auction, Foundation and Fair supporters can personally show their pride.

The Blue Ribbon Foundation is the non-profit 501(c)3 fundraising arm of the Iowa State Fair charged with raising funds to renovate and preserve the historic 450-acre Fairgrounds. Improvements have been made to buildings like the William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building and funds have supported the building of new facilities such as the Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center. Since its inception, the Iowa State Fair Blue Ribbon Foundation has generated more than \$150 million. For more information, please contact the Blue Ribbon Foundation at 515-262-3111 Ext. 371 or Info@BlueRibbonFoundation.org

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