

TO: Waterfowl Decoy Enthusiasts Throughout

FROM: Mike Tarquini, Board President of the Havre de Grace Decoy Museum

SUBJECT: 39th Annual Decoy and Wildlife Art Festival

DATE: March 18, 2021

- WHAT: 39th Annual Decoy & Wildlife Art Festival
- WHERE: Havre de Grace Decoy Museum Property

WHEN:Friday, April 30, 2021Welcome Reception & Cocktail PartySaturday, May 1, 2021Decoy Competitions & Tailgate Event

- **WHY:** Following an abundance of caution regrading COVID has led the Havre de Grace Decoy Museum to re-imagine the 39th Annual Decoy & Wildlife Art Festival by converting the indoor vendor exhibition historically held at the Middle/High School to an <u>outdoor</u> tailgate event on the museum property. This year's Festival will focus more on adapting our traditional event to provide our exhibitors and patrons with an opportunity to participate in a decoy show and focus less on fundraising for the museum. Although the Annual Festival is the single largest fundraiser for the museum and we have had to navigate through many other challenges created by COVID over the last year, preserving the fellowship of our exhibitors and patrons is of paramount importance to us. To that end, we have chosen to carry on with the Festival in 2021.
- **ACTION:** Make plans to join us on the first weekend in May for fellowship and the opportunity to break out from our experiences of the last year. If you are interested in being a vendor at this event, reach out to <u>president@decoymuseum.com</u> or call (410) 459-8487. Our re-imagined event will give everyone an opportunity to return to some semblance of order and preserve the first weekend in May as a time when all things decoy descends on the town of Havre de Grace.