

CONNECTICUT FISHING & OUTDOOR SHOW AT MOHEGAN SUN OPENS NEXT WEEK

Three-Day Annual Event Starts Friday, March 24 at 1 p.m.

UNCASVILLE, CONN., March 14, 2023 – Just days after the start of Spring, the **2023 Connecticut Fishing & Outdoor Show will open at the Mohegan Sun Earth Expo & Convention Center** in Uncasville, Conn. The event begins on **Friday, March 24 at 1 p.m., and runs through Sunday, March 26. Dates/Hours:** Friday, March 24 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, March 25 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Sunday, March 26 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Discounted admission tickets are on sale now at www.CTFishingOutdoorShow: \$12 for Adults; Free Tickets for Kids under Age 12.**

“This annual three-day show showcases a wide variety of outdoor activities including freshwater and saltwater fishing, hunting, kayaking, paddle boards, safaris, hunting dog training, and more,” explains Kristie Gonsalves, Producer of the Connecticut Fishing & Outdoor Show at Mohegan Sun. Gonsalves is the President of North East Expos, Inc., a Past President of the National Association of Consumer Show Producers, and the Producer of the successful Connecticut Flower & Garden Show in Hartford.

“This **great family event is designed for longtime fishing and outdoor enthusiasts, as well as anyone who wants to learn more about angling and other kinds of outdoor adventure,**” adds Gonsalves.

► **More than 200 booths, including over 125 exhibitors selling latest fishing, hunting and outdoor equipment, and fishing boats.**

► **Daily Expert Speakers and Demonstrations are all Free with Admission. They include:**

- **Alberto Knie (a/k/a “Crazy Alberto”)**, World-Class Extreme Trophy Game and Conservation Fish Hunter.
- **Capt. Brian Coombs**, New England Fisherman and Charter Boat Captain.
- **Bobby Uhrig**, Professional Fisherman and Master Lure Designer.
- **Gerry Rightmyer & Steve Schicker**, Hunters and Hosts of the “Forever Wild Outdoors” on the Wild TV.
- **Sheron K. Brown (a/k/a “The Lunkerman”)**, Professional Tournament Angler/Guide.
- **Capt. Mark Vining** of Boat Safe Connecticut.
- **Matt Wettish**, Turkey Hunter/Champion Caller.
- **Capt. Joe Diorio**, Saltwater Fishing Guide.
- **Bryan Mayo**, 7-time Rhode Island B.A.S.S Nation State Team and 2021 State Club Champion.
- **Dave Parrish**, Waterfowl Hunter.

- **Capt. Ian Devlin**, Connecticut Fly Angler.
- **Dan Welby**, Fisherman and Fuse Bait Designer.
- **Al Gag**, Fisherman and Custom Lure Designer.
- **Saturday Only: East End Eddie Doherty**, Massachusetts Surfcasting Guide.

▶ **Fly Casting demos by experts in two locations:** atop a 5,000-gallon Hawg Trough Live Fish Tank. and on the show's fly cast pond.

▶ **Tips on "How to Start a Puppy" and "Dog Steadiness"** by Jeremy Cormier of V3 Gun Dogs.

▶ **Animal Adventures Family Zoo & Rescue Center bringing:** alligator, porcupine, Burmese python snake, skunk, owl, bunny, turtles, and tortoise. **Presentations:** Friday 3 p.m.; Saturday/Sunday 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.; **Exhibit times:** Friday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday/Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

▶ **Kayak Fishing Demonstrations** from Three Belles Outfitters and New England Dive.

▶ **Fly-Tying by Experts** including Fred Wilson, Leslie Wrixon and Mike Stewart.

▶ **How to Use Inflatable Life Jackets** by the U.S. Coast Guard.

▶ **Meet & Schedule Tours with Charter Boat Fishing Captains, Hunting Outfitters, Outdoor Adventure and Safari Promoters. CT Dept. of Energy & Environmental & Protection's (DEEP)** latest rules and regulations, and displays on state's wildlife, fisheries, boating, hunting and parks.

▶ **Hands-On Activities include:** *BlackHawk* virtual fishing fighting chair simulator, and a Laser Shot Range from the **CT Dept. of Energy & Environmental & Protection (DEEP)**.

ADMISSION for the Show:

Discounted online tickets on sale now: \$12 for Adults. Free Tickets for Kids under Age 12 at www.CTFishingOutdoorShow. *These tickets can be purchased online any time until the show ends.*

At the Door: \$15 Adults. Free for Children Under Age 12.

Show sponsors include *The Fisherman Magazine*, LeafFilter, Momentum Solar, WFSB Channel 3, and 97.7 WCTY *Eastern CT's Country station*, Renewal By Anderson, and North East Expos, Inc.

FOR SHOW INFO AND SCHEDULE,

visit www.CTFishingOutdoorShow or [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/CTFishingOutdoorShow) or 860-844-8461.

Speakers, Demonstrators and Vendors interested in registering for the Connecticut Fishing & Outdoor Show at Mohegan Sun should contact Kristie Gonsalves at 860-844-8461, or email Kristie@northeastexpos.com, or visit www.CTFishingOutdoorShow.com.

NORTH EAST EXPOS, INC.:

The decades-old, family-owned company produces the annual "Connecticut Fishing & Outdoor Show" at Mohegan Sun, and the annual "Connecticut Flower & Garden Show" at the

Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford. For more information, go to www.NorthEastExpos.com.

ABOUT MOHEGAN SUN:

Owned by Mohegan Gaming & Entertainment, Mohegan Sun is one of the largest, most spectacular entertainment, gaming, dining and shopping destinations in the United States. Situated on 185 acres along the Thames River in scenic Southeastern Connecticut, [Mohegan Sun](http://MoheganSun.com) is home to two unique casinos, 1,600 deluxe hotel rooms, two world-class spas, a golf course, over 70 shops, restaurants and bars as well as three award-winning entertainment venues including a 10,000-seat Arena. Mohegan Sun is within easy access of New York, Boston, Hartford and Providence and located 15 minutes from the museums, antique shops and waterfront of Mystic Country. More information is available by calling 1.888.226.7711 or visiting mohegansun.com. Connect with us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/mohegansun), follow us on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/mohegansun) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/mohegansun) @mohegansun, view us on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/mohegansun) and find us on Snapchat at username MoheganSun.

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