

GATEWAY GUPPY ASSOCIATES

IFGA SANCTIONED SHOW
September 10-12, 2021

LOCATION

Holiday Inn Airport West
3400 Rider Trail South
Earth City, MO 63045

To make reservations:

Call: (314) 291-6800 and press 0 for front desk and give the Block Code GGS.
You can cancel up until 6pm the day before arrival with no charge.

The room rate is \$95 plus taxes and hotel will guarantee rate until **August 20, 2021**.

Any difficulty making arrangements, please contact

Jack or Cathy Mertz at 636-294-0922 or clamclam1944@gmail.com

Check in is 3pm; check out is 12 pm

Breakfast is not included in the rate.

Directions to the hotel: from I-70 take Exit 231B, Earth City Expressway North. Follow Earth City Expressway ¼ mile to Rider Trail South. Turn left onto Rider Trail South to the hotel on the left (Stay in right lane so you DO NOT turn where it says to go left to I-70 West).

Hotel furnishes airport shuttle from Lambert International Airport (STL) and to attractions within 5 miles of the Hotel (*Casinos and Main Street in St. Charles*).

TO HELP INSURE THE SAFETY OF OUR GUESTS AND MEMBERS, GATEWAY GUPPY ASSOCIATES WILL ADHERE TO THE RESTRICTIONS AND COVID MITIGATIONS IMPOSED BY THE CDC AND THE COUNTY OF SAINT LOUIS ALONG WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE HOTEL MANAGEMENT DURING THE SHOW WEEKEND.

This may include social distancing, wearing of masks and taking of temperatures, limiting capacity in the showroom/auction and asking for contact information. Any person not adhering to these requirements will not be admitted to the show. For more information, contact John Allen at parisguppies@yahoo.com or 660-833-7487

Any updates/changes to the schedule will be posted on the IFGA website, IFGA facebook and the eBulletin along with contact by GGA for persons registered

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 10

2:00 PM Set Up (if hotel available)

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 11

8:30 AM Entries open

2:00 PM Entries close

2:30 PM Judging Begins

Hospitality to Follow

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12

8:00 AM Showroom opens

9:00 AM Auction

11:00 De-benching

Entry show forms need to indicate whether award cards or plaques are desired. Entry show forms may be obtained on the IFGA website: www.ifga.org under the Show Section.

No fish will be allowed to be removed from the show bench prior to the scheduled de-benching unless **arrangements have been made prior to the show** by the show chairman

SHOW CHAIRMAN

John Allen

660-833-7487

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SHIPPED ENTRIES

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Please ship early! No exceptions on Friday acceptance!

**Courtesy email prior to shipping is appreciated including name, phone #,
carrier and tracking # if possible.**

Use the carrier's "no signature required" option, if available.

Shipped in entries must be received before **5:00 PM Friday, September 10** or they will not be entered in the show. Entries must include completed entry show forms and exhibitor's phone number. All entries must be prepaid. Sufficient return shipping fare, bags and return labels must be included if fish are to be returned. Breather Bags may be used for shipping to/from the show. IF Breather Bags are used, Breather Bags **must be supplied** for the return. Otherwise, minimum size 3" x 10" bags **are required** to return fish per IFGA rules.

SHOW RULES:

1. All entries must be registered by **2:00 PM local time on Saturday, September 11, 2021.**
2. Exhibitor will determine the class of entry. Assistance will be available at the show prior to registration.
3. All entries improperly classified will be disqualified.
4. Tanks will be furnished; no plants, decorations, or gravel will be allowed to be displayed with the fish.
5. Every precaution will be taken against loss of fish; however, GATEWAY GUPPY ASSOCIATES and the IFGA assume no responsibility for any loss of fish.
6. All entries must be born and raised in the exhibitor's tanks.
7. Fish will be judged visually according to IFGA standards. A uniform black background and available fluorescent, incandescent, halogen and natural lighting will be used.
8. Judging will be according to IFGA standards and all decisions of the judges will be final.
9. All entry fees must be paid at time of registration. Shipped entries, which are to be returned, must include return postage fees and mailing label, along with bags for returning fish. No entry fees will be refunded after fish are benched.
10. Sale of fish, other than through the GGA Sunday auction is strictly prohibited and may result in forfeiture of points received at show.
11. Fish that are received dead or that die during the show will not be returned. Returning dead fish can contaminate the live fish being returned.

12. The auction will be a standard verbal auction. Entries to be auctioned must be clearly noted on the entry show form. Females of the same strain must be included with all males and males must be included with all females to be auctioned. **No single males or females will be auctioned without a mate.** Additional trios and pairs may be sent to be placed in the auction and should be clearly marked with the breeder's name, strain and age of fish. G.G.A. will retain 50% of the sale of all auctioned fish. **Any fish not receiving an opening bid or does not have an appropriate mate will be retained by GGA.**

13. All entries will be benched and de-benched by GGA members or IFGA members as appointed by the show chairman. All travel boxes to be kept in exhibitors' rooms. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** All entries should be placed in the next available position within the class. No one, other than individuals appointed by the show chairmen may move or re-arrange tanks already positioned on the show bench prior to judging!

AWARDS:

Tanks, Deltas, Females, and Breeders

1st place: plaque and certificate

2nd-4th place: certificates

Best of show

1st place – 4th place: plaque and certificate

ENTRY FEES

Single (1 male or 1 female)	\$2.00
Tank (2 matched males)	\$3.00
Breeders (5 matched males)	\$4.00
(3 matched females)	\$4.00
Juniors (16 years or younger)	Free

ENTRIES

Single male and single female entries will be displayed in one quart plastic tanks. A female may be added to the male but will not be judged.

Tank entries consist of two matched males and will be displayed in a one-half gallon plastic tank. A female may be added but will not be judged.

Breeder entries consist of 5 matched males or three matched females and will be displayed in a 1 1/4 gallon tank. Two females may be added to the breeder male entry but will not be judged.

Junior class is open to anyone 16 years of age or younger that has raised their own fish.

Novice class is open to anyone who has never won a 1st or 2nd place IFGA Award.

CLASSES

