

# Canary and Finch Society



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An All Bird Club

May 2019

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## Canary and Finch Society All Bird Club

**May 11, 2019 Show & Expo**

### 1st Annual Spring Show/Mart

**Canary and Finch Society Meeting on May 11, 2019**

We will have no program or meeting this month. Come join us for the 1st Annual Spring Show/Mart.

Laura Bewley will be our Finch judge.

A National Finch and Softbill Panel Judge from Tulsa Oklahoma. Member of the board of directors of the National Bird Show and National Finch and Softbill Society. Breeder, exhibitor and judge for 30 plus years. Exhibitor of finches, Hartz and Fife Canaries.



**Holiday Inn Houston - Intercontinental Airport 15222 JFK Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77032**

Bird Expo, Finch show & Judge will be Laura Bewley, Budgie show..... bird food, toys, cages and lots of birds.

We are having hospitality on Friday evening. There will be a room for everyone to meet in. It will start about 8 PM. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. See you soon!

Contact [Luciano Rodriguez](mailto:Luciano.Rodriguez@Lbirdman44@yahoo.com) at Lbirdman 44@yahoo.com

(832) 519-5079.

We will have a special raffle during the show. Please donate to the special raffle.

## Canary and Finch Society Show October 12, 2019

**Holiday Inn Houston Intercontinental Airport.**  
We will have an entry fee of \$4.00 per, \$80 cap rule.

There will be Hospitality and fellowship Friday Night at 7– 10 PM. Show Tags will be

available and there will be No Meal but Wine , Fruit & Cheese platters, & Chips Dips

Entries will start being accepted on Saturday morning between 7:00 AM—8:30 AM.

**Bird Auction of Top Notch birds! And a wonderful Raffle.**

After the Show Dinner will be at the restaurant at the to be determined. More updates to come. Come and support CFS.

## Meet Our Judges

### Henry Vela

**Type/Color Canary Judge**

**National Colorbred Association Judge**

A native Texan, residing in Irving, Texas. Henry has bred and exhibited Colorbred Canaries for over 20 years. His birds have won several major awards throughout the 32 plus years of raising Colorbred canaries. He has been a certified as a Colorbred Judge from the NCA since 2002.

Henry has served on the NCBS Board and besides his colorbred canaries, he has raised Timbrados, Frills, Lizards, Fifes, and Parrotlets.

Henry has met a lot of canary fanciers over the years and loves every minute of it.

### Clarence Culwell

**Finch Judge**

**National Finch and Softbill Society**

I have been raising birds since about 1950. I started with American Parakeets, which I bred for several years. A pair of Zebra Finches were added which really caught my interest and has been a priority ever since. I have had Cockatiels, Love birds, Senegals, Conures, Parrotlets, and Cockatoos.

I started showing my birds and enjoyed the competition and friendships that I made. Some of my dearest friends are friends that I have made in the bird world. I started Judging birds from the encouragement I received from many people. I am a Panel Judge for NFSS and NAPS. I have judged many shows. Including the National Cage Bird Show.

I am a Honorary Board Member of the NCBS and served many years.

### Treasurer Report

#### *Treasurer Report*

Beginning Balance	\$8,469.32
Income	\$ 0.00
Expense	\$ 375.71
Balance on hand	\$8,093.61

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<b>May 11, 2019</b>	<b>CFS Bird Show and Expo</b>	Houston TX	Holiday Inn Houston Inter-continental Airport
<b>October 12, 2019</b>	<b>CFS Bird Show and Expo</b>	Houston TX	Holiday Inn Houston Inter-continental Airport
<b>November 2, 2019</b>	<b>TBBFA</b>	Temple TX	<b>For the Fall Show there will be a NAPS, NCS, BAA, &amp; NFSS Show! No Canary</b>

**Canary and Finch Society it looks like we are the only Canary Show in Texas! And we only have 2 Finch Shows. One in Temple and one in Houston. It is sad that it has come to this!!!! Keep growing and showing maybe one day it will come back.**



The 71st National Bird Show  
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November 12-17, 2019

Pheasant Run Resort  
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## Calendar of Events for Canary and Finch Society for 2019!

<b>May 11, 2019</b>	<b>Show&amp; Expo</b>
<b>Holiday Inn Houston - Intercontinental Airport 15222 JFK Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77032</b>	
<b>June 9, 2019</b>	<b>Finch Talk/Nancy &amp; Luciano</b>
<b>July 14, 2019</b>	<b>Swap and Shop Meeting</b>
<b>August 11, 2019</b>	<b>Getting Ready for Show/Debbie</b>
<b>September 8, 2019</b>	<b>Song Canaries/Ray &amp; Allan</b>
<b>October 12, 2019</b>	<b>Show &amp; Expo</b>
<b>Holiday Inn Houston - Intercontinental Airport 15222 JFK Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77032</b>	
<b>November 10, 2019</b>	<b>Show Review &amp; Conditioning Birds to breed</b>
<b>December 8, 2019</b>	<b>Christmas Party!</b>



## Showing

# PREPARING BIRDS FOR SHOW

## By: Ron Castaner (USA)

Now is a good time to take a good look at the birds and select which bird (or birds) you might want to consider entering the show. Look at the size, color, feathers, and disposition of the bird. Check their feet for any missing toes or toe nails, put these aside they will not be show quality. Make sure they stand up correctly, high and proud of themselves. Start cleaning their feet with ivermectin, file their beaks if necessary and make sure to bathe them at least twice a week, early in the morning. The diet should be varied, but not too rich in soft foods. Otherwise, the birds may become obese and lethargic. Selected birds are caged separately in order to eliminate the risk of damaged feathers or other possible injuries. You will have to examine the birds daily to see if they are still of show quality. Anything can happen, and probably will. That is why it is best to select several of the same kinds, so you can put back any that should suddenly lose a feather, or a toe nail, etc. Using a small spray bottle with an adjustable nozzle, (the ones used to mist house plants are great), add distilled water and spray the birds. Make sure to remove all food containers before spraying. Also, make sure cage is clean, to avoid the risk of the bird soiling its' plumage. The best time to spray them is the late morning so they have plenty of time to dry off before roosting for the night. As the birds come into show condition spraying is reduced to a fine mist, which is just enough to dampen the feathers. Two days before the show stop misting altogether allowing the feathers to tighten up and the natural oil to build up, adding a sheen and better look of conditioning. The preparation cage should be relatively small with two perches. Position one on top and one near the cage floor. I use a regular breeding cage, and this seems to work well for me. As the show date gets closer the perches are placed at the same level so the birds become use to the configuration of the show cages. Normally the show cage for the small finches' measures fifteen and a half inches long by twelve and a half inches high by seven and a half deep. Bar spacing between front wires is half an inch. For the larger birds in the finch category the cage would of course be larger say for example the Pekin Robin. Show cage training should start early by ' hanging show cages in front of the preparation cage door and providing treats and greens inside the show cage. This will encourage the birds to enter and they will soon learn that there is always something special inside the show cage. This method not only has the advantage of making the bird feel at home, but the main idea is the bird can come in and out of the show cage without being caught. This will prevent the risk of damaging feathers or other injury to the bird. One of Ron's Pekin Robins. The bird should spend the day before the show in their show cage. They should be moved around the bird room to simulate the movement and the handling that occurs during the show. Also, do not be afraid to go in and out of the bird room. Create traffic and noise so they can get use to people, noise and any other Activity. Breeders quickly realize that exhibiting birds requires more than just taking birds from an aviary or stock cage and put them in a show .To get the best results out of their birds, they must have some training, as to how to behave in show cages. Exhibiting is another aspect of aviculture that helps the breeder improve the standard of the stock, and promote healthy spirit of competition among members of local and nationwide clubs. The cages must be spotless, the exterior, including the wire fronts is painted with a glossy black, and these should shine. The interior is painted with white vinyl silk emulsion and should also have a shine to them. There should not be any spots or dirt anywhere. The perches are cleaned with sand paper and made sure they fit tight. No wobbly perches, this makes the bird nervous and he will not perch comfortably. Be sure there are not any water containers inside the cage. Use only external water tubes, glass or plastic. The last thing you want is to have a bird all wet from bathing in the middle of the competition. Also, and I cannot emphasize this enough, DO NOT USE COLORED SEED IN THE SHOW CAGES. USE PLAIN SEED!!! All it takes is for one colored seed to turn a light colored bird red or green and it could lower its' chance in the competition. Seed containers are not normally used as they would tend to slide around when being carried to and from the judging stand. Generally, what everyone does is put a layer of seed on the floor of the show cage. I have found that by putting a piece of paper towel on the bottom folded to fit and not noticeable then place the seed on top. It is much easier to clean afterwards. Just be sure to use the plain seed. It's time to load up for the show. Be sure to remove the water tubes just till you get to the show. I personally use storage boxes and put five or six cages to a box. I have seen a lot of other folks use the same method and it is a lot easier than carrying individually. This also keeps them free from draft, easier to carry and keeps them from sudden fright. Be sure to bring extra seed, water tubes, and extra water. I bring a whole kit of things I just might need. A large and a small net. I have had birds get out in our room when transferring them to the show cages. Magnifying glasses, sand paper, tweezers, paper towel, Q tips, first aid kit that contains surgical glue, nail clippers, liquid vitamin b-12, stop, scissors, eye medication, and last but not least a pen and pencil. You do not have to bring all of this, but you would be surprised how many times I have saved someone else's bird or even my own. Accidents will happen, so be prepared.

## Showing Continued .....

### WHAT ARE THE JUDGES LOOKING FOR?

The judges will be looking for size, shape, and color, also the general condition plays a part as well as perfect, fully developed plumage. Damaged or missing feathers are considered faults, also a sign of an incomplete molt, no matter how small they are. Birds must perch in a confident and proud manner. They must also give every impression of being lively and active without fluttering nervously around the cage. Pairs must be chosen so that they compliment each other and must be of the same variety. Make sure the bands of all show birds are sparkling clean.

### THE NIGHT BEFORE THE SHOW:

I like to get everything set up the night before the show. Usually there is a room set up so you can pay for the bird registration and get the tags for the cages plus all of the paper work. The paper work is not very bad; it just depends on the number of birds you intend to show. I bring a book of reference on the finches so I have the correct spelling etc. Each bird goes into a category. You are given a booklet of the categories and you just look up your bird and fill in the blanks. Fill out the tag that is pre numbered with tag numbers. Fill out the type of bird in the cage you are working with, put your name on the bottom of the tag and tie it to the cage. Your name will be concealed so the judges and the galley have no idea whose bird they are looking at. By doing all the paper work the night before the show saves time for everyone and also gives more time for someone who needs help. If there is a question on a bird species or anything else, there are always other club members you can ask.

### THE DAY OF THE SHOW:

When you arrive at the show you unload your birds and line them up on a table, return the water bottles to the cages, check over the birds one last time. Any broken feathers, all feathers in place, any seed stuck where it should not? Okay, now the stewards (the handlers for the judge) look over your paper work and make sure the cages and birds match up, and they are correctly labeled. Making sure, for instance, what you called a shafttail is just that and not a parson and so on. If everything is correct, you will be given the copy of the form that is usually yellow. Be sure to hold on to this copy. It will be the only way for you to claim and pick up your birds at the end of the show. After they are all checked in (this procedure is repeated for everyone), the judge takes what is called and over view just to see that each bird is in the right category. After that is completed the show and the judging begins. Hopefully, at the end of the show, all your hard work will have paid off and you will have BEST IN SHOW. But if not, please do not be discouraged. There are other awards equally as important. But best of all, we all love getting together and seeing our friends who in some way have become an extended part of our families. We all come away with a good feeling of accomplishment, and perhaps learning something that can help us in our future shows. You always come away with new friends and a good time is had by one and all. The best

of luck to every one. Please do not be afraid to show your birds.

Come be involved with your other club members.

By Ron Castaner

Member Former NFSS President (USA) zFormer

NFS Former NFSS RVP

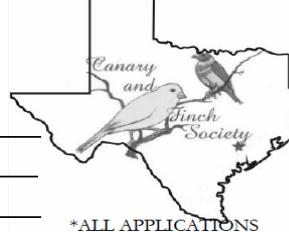
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**CFS Annual Show**

# *The Canary and Finch Society*



**24<sup>th</sup> Annual Show**  
**October 12, 2019**

**Holiday Inn Houston-Intercontinental Airport  
15222 JFK Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77032**

Room Rate \$69 before taxes.

REGISTRATION 7 AM - 8:30 AM

JUDGING 9 AM - 3 PM

**SHOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC Entry Fee: \$4 with \$80 Cap**

Judges:

Clarence Culwell - Finch, Henry Vela - Type, Color

**In conjunction with CFS Show**

**Gulf Coast American Singers**

Judge: **Tricia Hartnett**

Check in Friday 7 PM - 9 PM Judging Saturday 9 AM - 3 PM

Alicia Baker: [baker-Alicia@hotmail.com](mailto:baker-Alicia@hotmail.com) (281)320-9936

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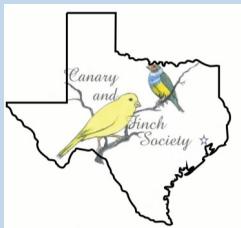
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