Show Budgerigar

How do you teach the birds to stand in the position for the judges?

Training for the show cage begins a few weeks after fledging. Most cockbirds will "show" as it is part of their nature to show off and blow their head feathers forward. Hens of a show type also know when to "show" as training in the show cage has prepared them for staying on the perch at least for a time. A judge will give a bird an amount of time to "show" and any bird that wont stay on the perch for showing purposes cannot be judged. However judges give the birds some encouragement to get back up on their perch for showing by use of a small baton like stick and various other tricks to encourage a restless bird to perch.

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