

Federal Junior Duck Stamp Program



Mallard, Honorable Mention
By Jessica Galloway, age 5
Art teacher: Ms. Marx
Sierra View Elementary School, Chico



Cinnamon Teal, Honorable Mention
By Kyanne Goelz, age 15
Art teacher: Janet Johnson
Coast Union High School, Cambria

Teaching Conservation Through the Arts

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Federal Junior Duck Stamp school program is a classroom activity series for kindergarten through 12th grade students. Teachers conduct the activities, which address topics such as conservation, habitat, wildlife management, wildlife art, and stamp collecting. This non-traditional pairing of subjects brings new interest to both science and the arts. It crosses cultural, ethnic, social, and geographic boundaries to teach greater awareness of natural resources.



As part of the program, students create images for junior duck stamps, which are entered into an annual state contest. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service awards certificates of appreciation to all students who enter the contest. One hundred winning ribbons in four age categories and a Best of Show ribbon are also awarded. The Best of Show artwork from each state is sent to Washington D.C. to compete in a national contest, and the national winner is featured on that year's Federal Junior Duck Stamp. By law, proceeds from the sale of junior duck stamps support conservation education.

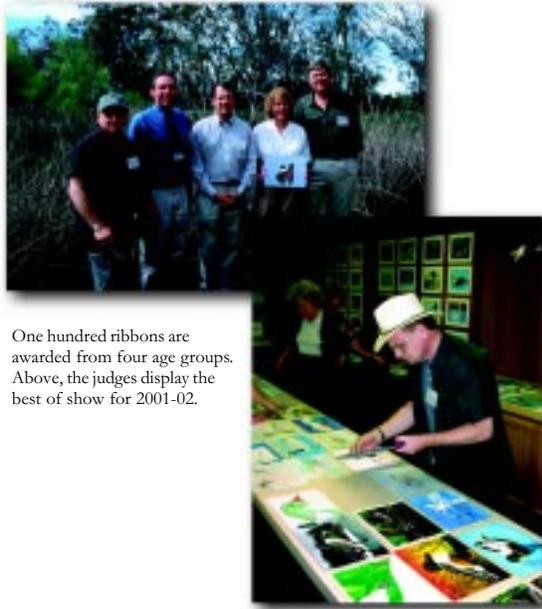
Contest Eligibility: All students in grades K through high school are encouraged to participate. Public, private, and home schooled students are eligible, as well as students in scout and other youth groups.

Species: Permitted species are limited to North American ducks, geese, or swans; or Hawaiian Koloa, Laysan Duck, or Nene. Loons, coots, and mute swans are not permitted species.

Entries for California must be postmarked by March 15, 2002. Send California entries to:

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Sacramento NWR Complex, Attn: Marilyn Gamette
752 County Rd. 99W
Willows, CA 95988
(530) 934-2801

Help promote conservation education by entering the Federal Junior Duck Stamp Competition.



One hundred ribbons are awarded from four age groups. Above, the judges display the best of show for 2001-02.

Obtaining Rules and Educational Materials

Visit <http://duckstamps.fws.gov/jds/index.html> for a complete set of rules for the annual junior competition. Or call Sacramento NWR at (530) 934-2801 or CWA at (916) 648-1406.

Activity guides for the Junior Duck Stamp Program and waterfowl drawing guides are available on the internet at <http://www.calwaterfowl.org> or by calling Sacramento NWR at (530) 934-2801 or CWA at (916) 648-1406.

Many other activities teaching conservation are also available. Visit <http://www.mp.usbr.gov/cvhjv/> to download Central Valley Habitat Fun Packs for kindergarten through 12th grade.

The California Regional Environmental Education Community (CREEC) offers an environmental education network of resources at <http://www.creec.org>.

If you are 18 or older, you may enter the Federal Duck Stamp Competition for adults. Call (877) 887-5508 or visit <http://duckstamps.fws.gov> for more information.



Cinnamon Teal, Honorable Mention
By Rose Twaddell, age 8
Art teacher: Phyllis Ciment
Camino Pablo Elementary School, Moraga



Mallard, First Place
By Lawna Sannar, age 8
Art teacher: Jason Sannar
Home Schooled, Live Oak

November 2001

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December 2001

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