2023 Iowa Junior Duck Stamp



Best of Show to 3rd Place Winners

What is the Junior Duck Stamp Program?

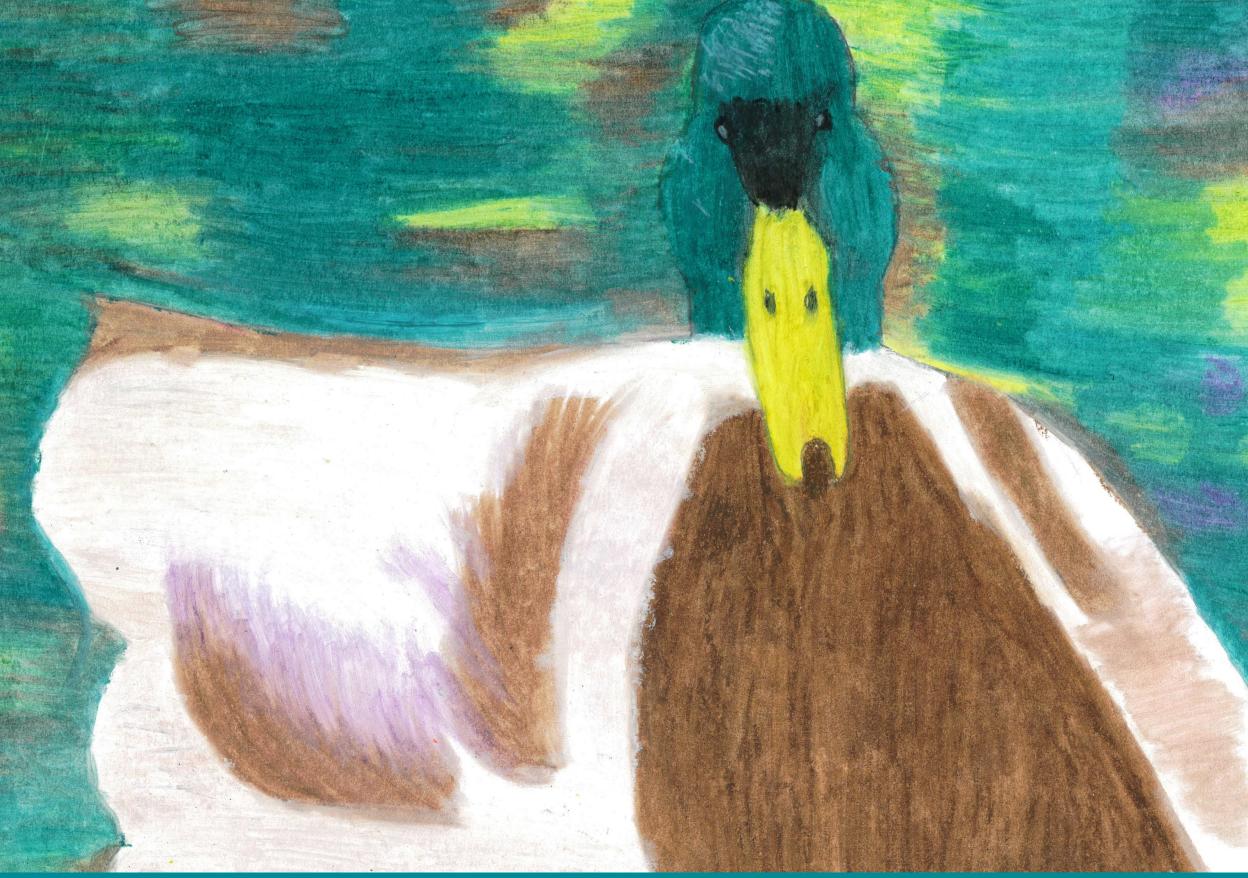
The Junior Duck Stamp Program is a K-12 curriculum-based conservation arts program where students learn about North American waterfowl and their native habitats. Then, building on this knowledge, students create a horizontal stamp art composition about one of the accepted species.















10-12, Ambrozia Sanders







7-9, Aubrey Dowling

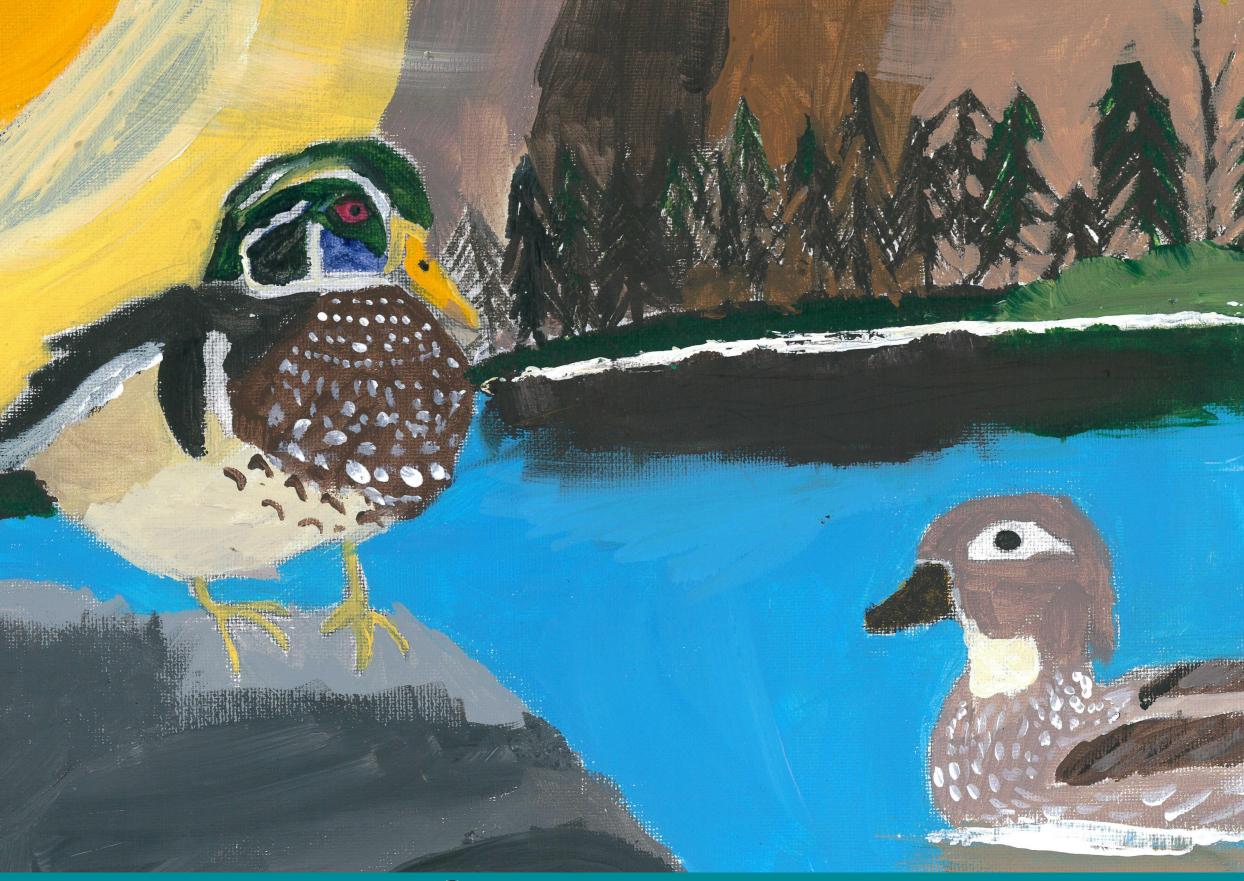




2nd Place



4-6, Ava Zantingh







4-6, Avery Burger







7-9, Avery Countryman

















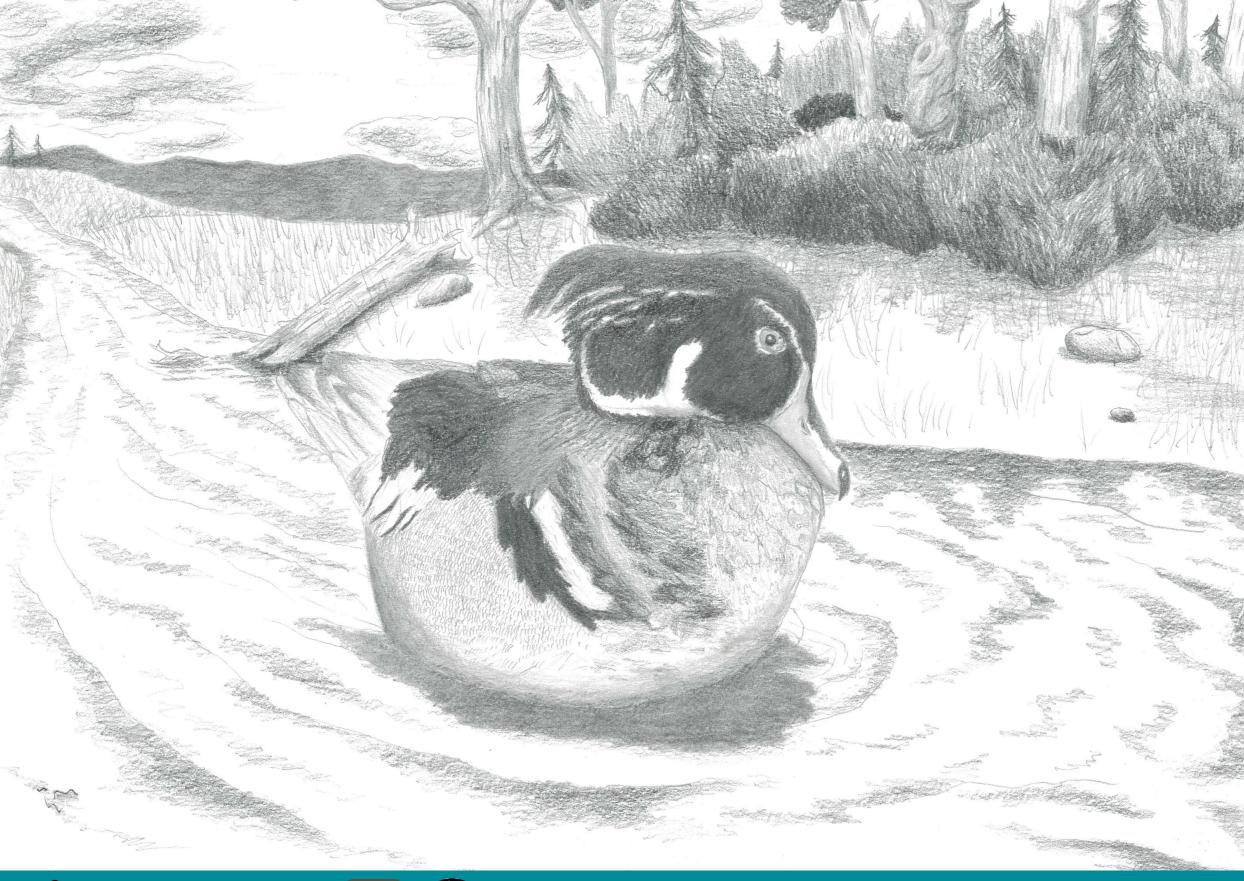




1st Place



4-6, Bridger LeVake





1st Place



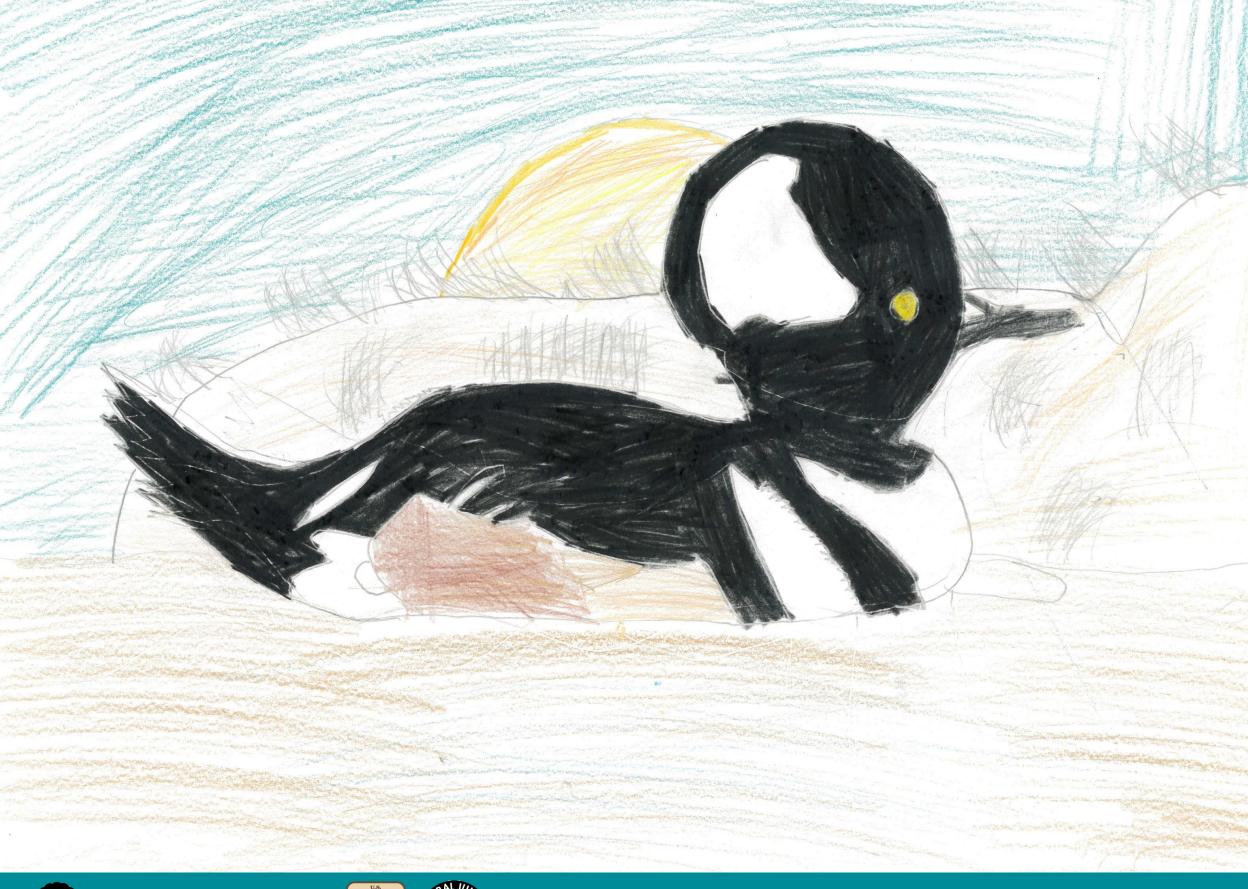






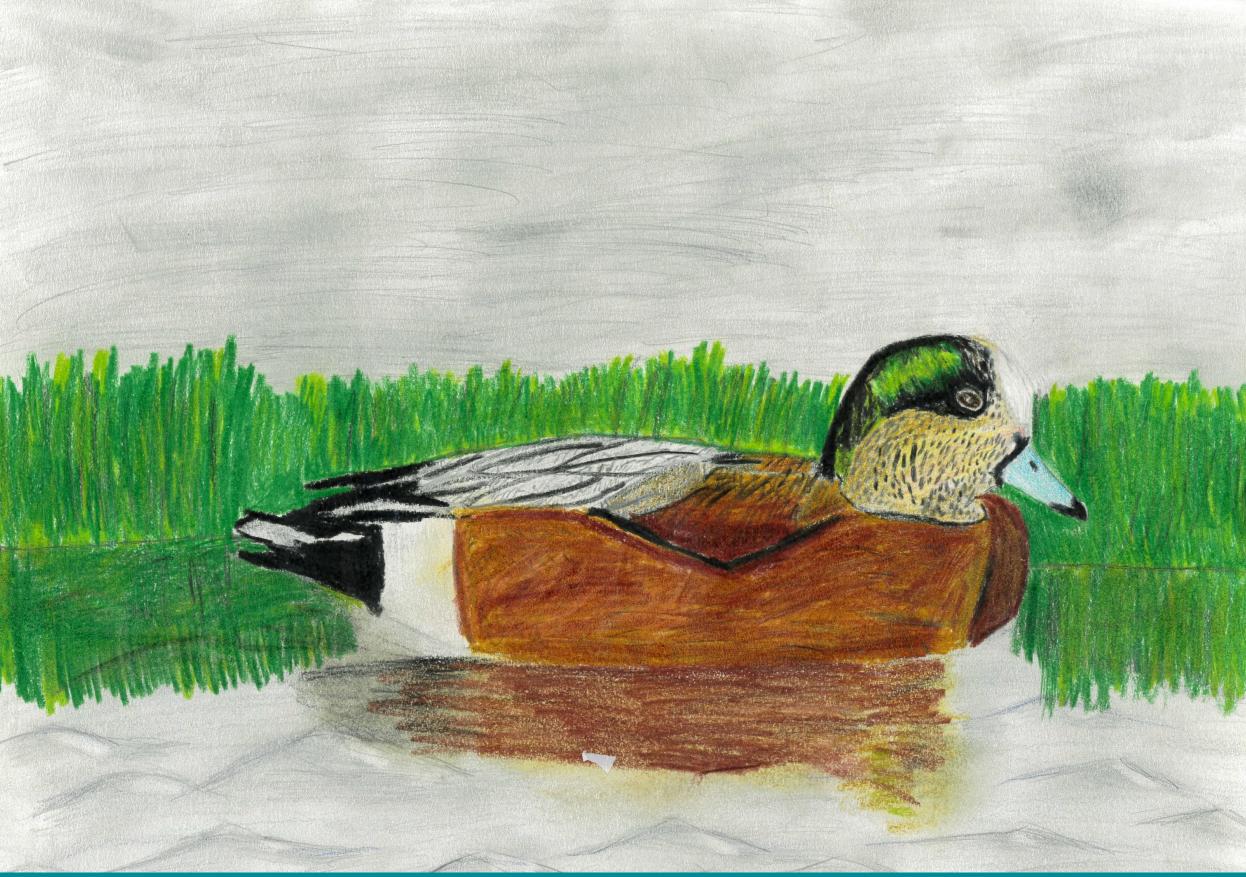


4-6, Daisy Peate















7-9, Elijah Weighner









10-12, Elizabeth Baughman

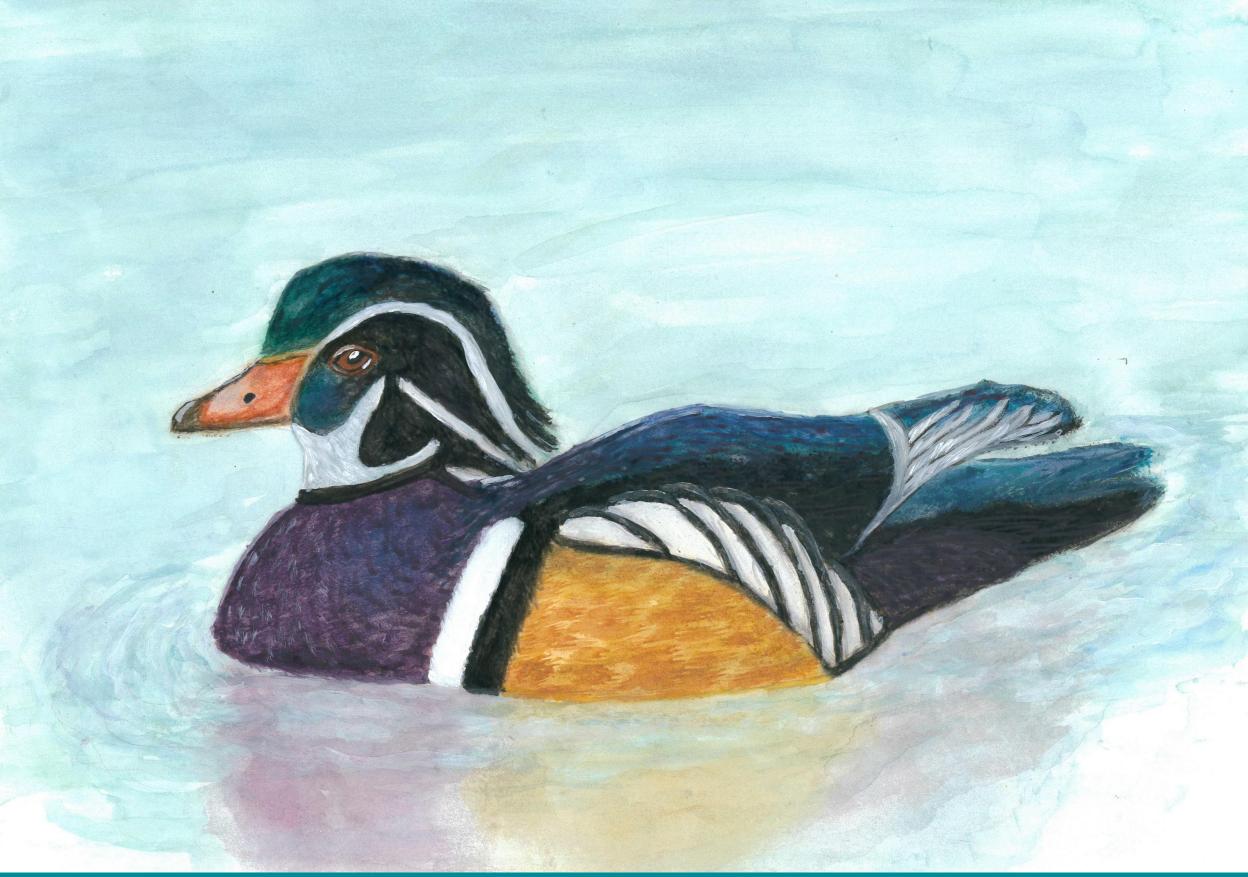
How do the winners get selected?



Five judges from differing backgrounds in arts or waterfowl are selected annually to judge our entries. Individuals must be unbiased to students' artwork and not be related to any student participating.



Winners are selected through a long anonymous process using chips and number cards to narrow down entries and select your Iowa Best of Show!















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7-9, Francisco Navarrete-Doran





1st Place



4-6, Gianna Nietzel







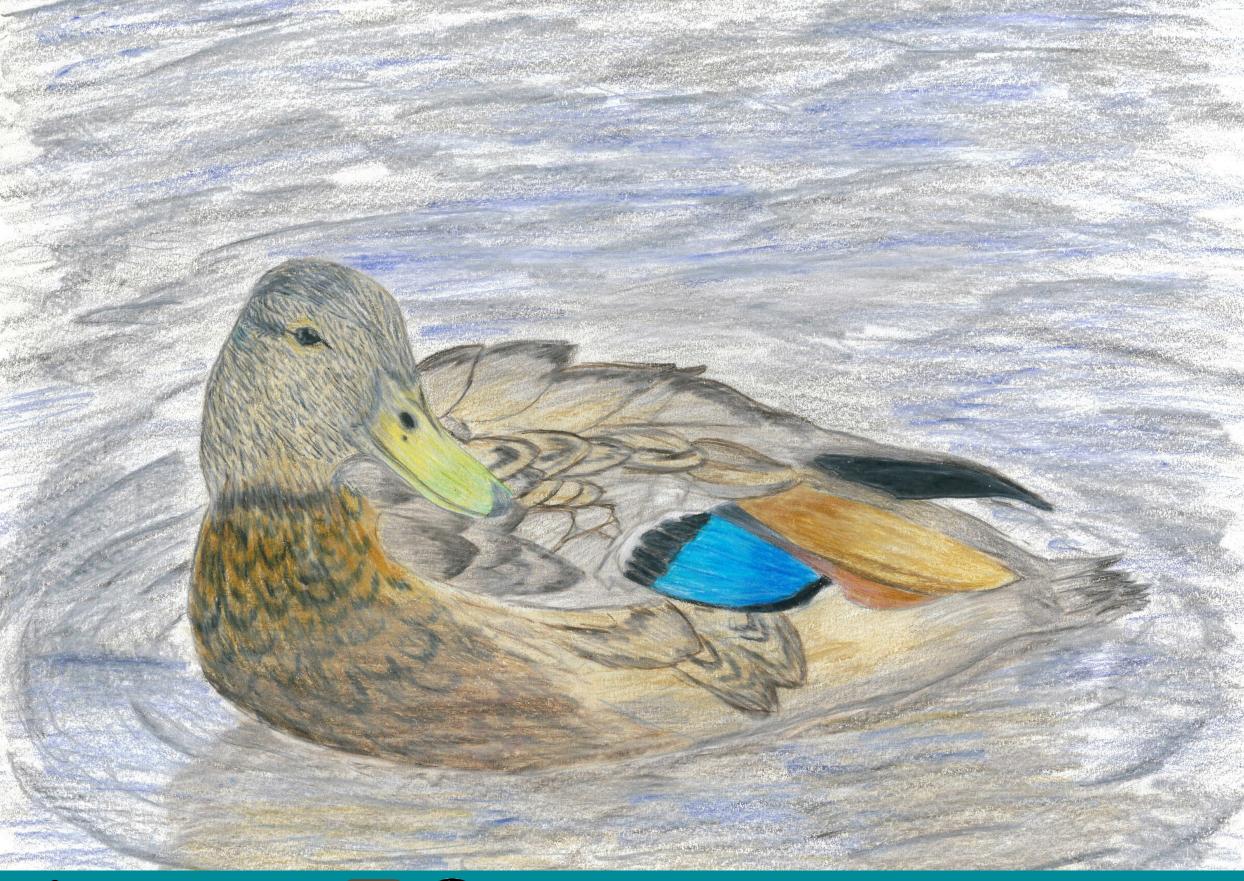
















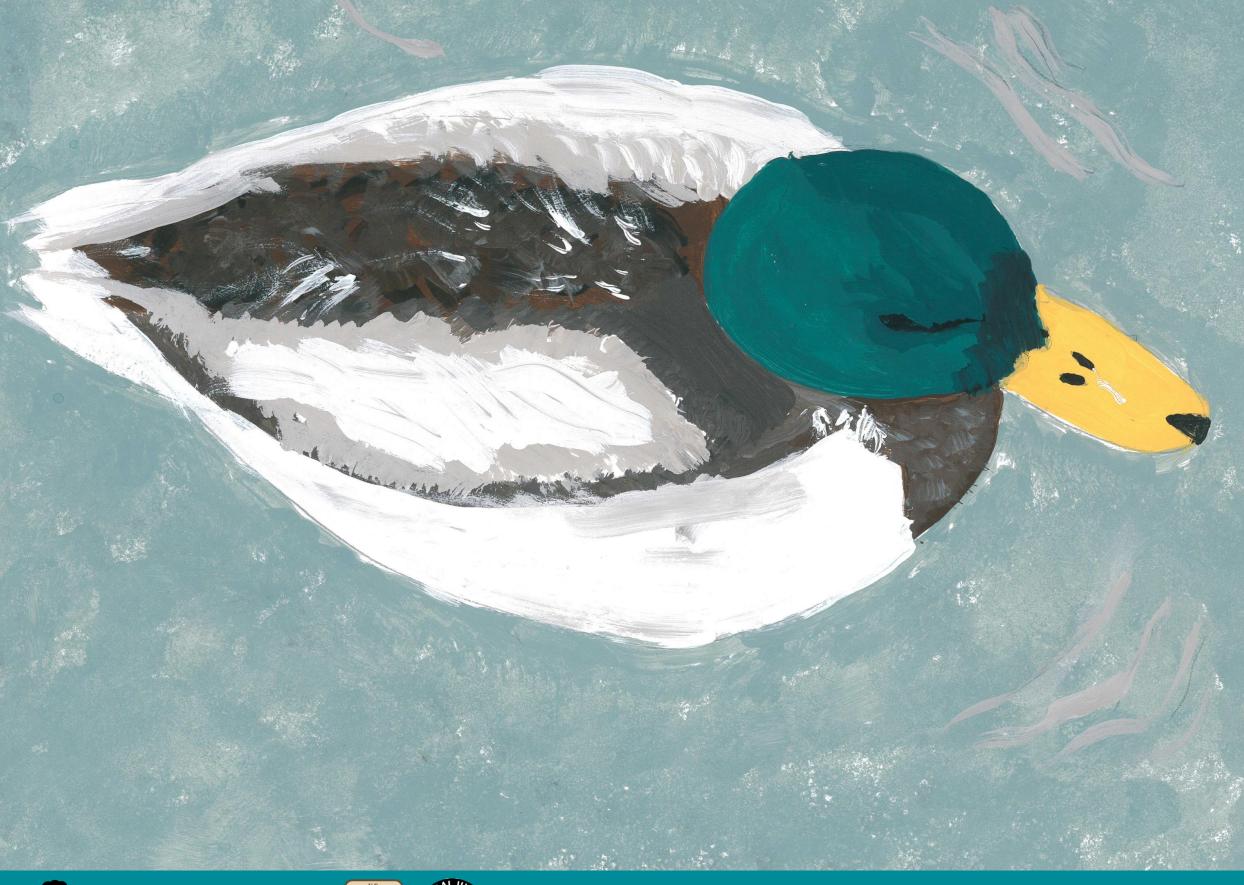








K-3, John Calvin Hager















1st Place















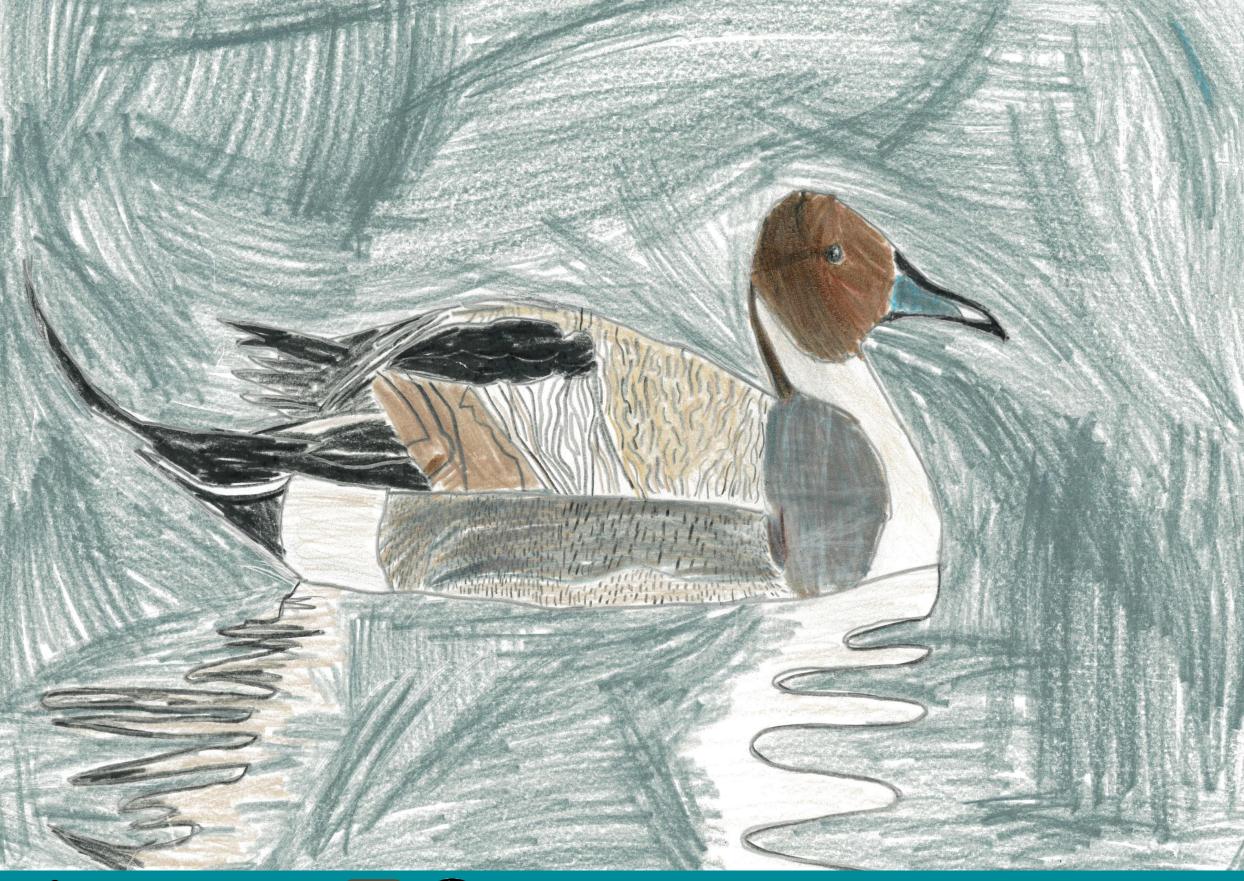








4-6, Landon LeVake













Greyson Award



4-6, Lillian Madison





3rd Place



7-9, Maggie Overton















K-3, Noelle Peters







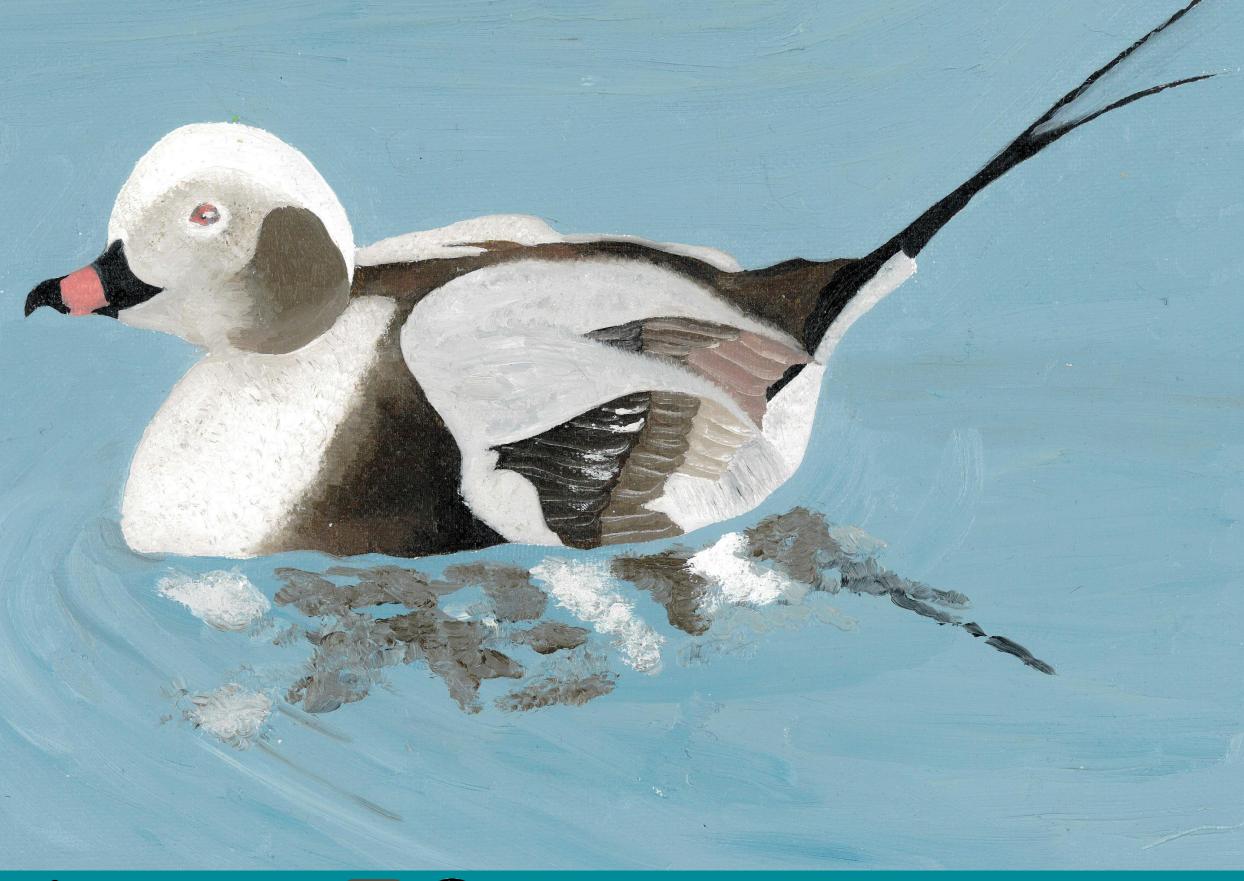
















1st Place



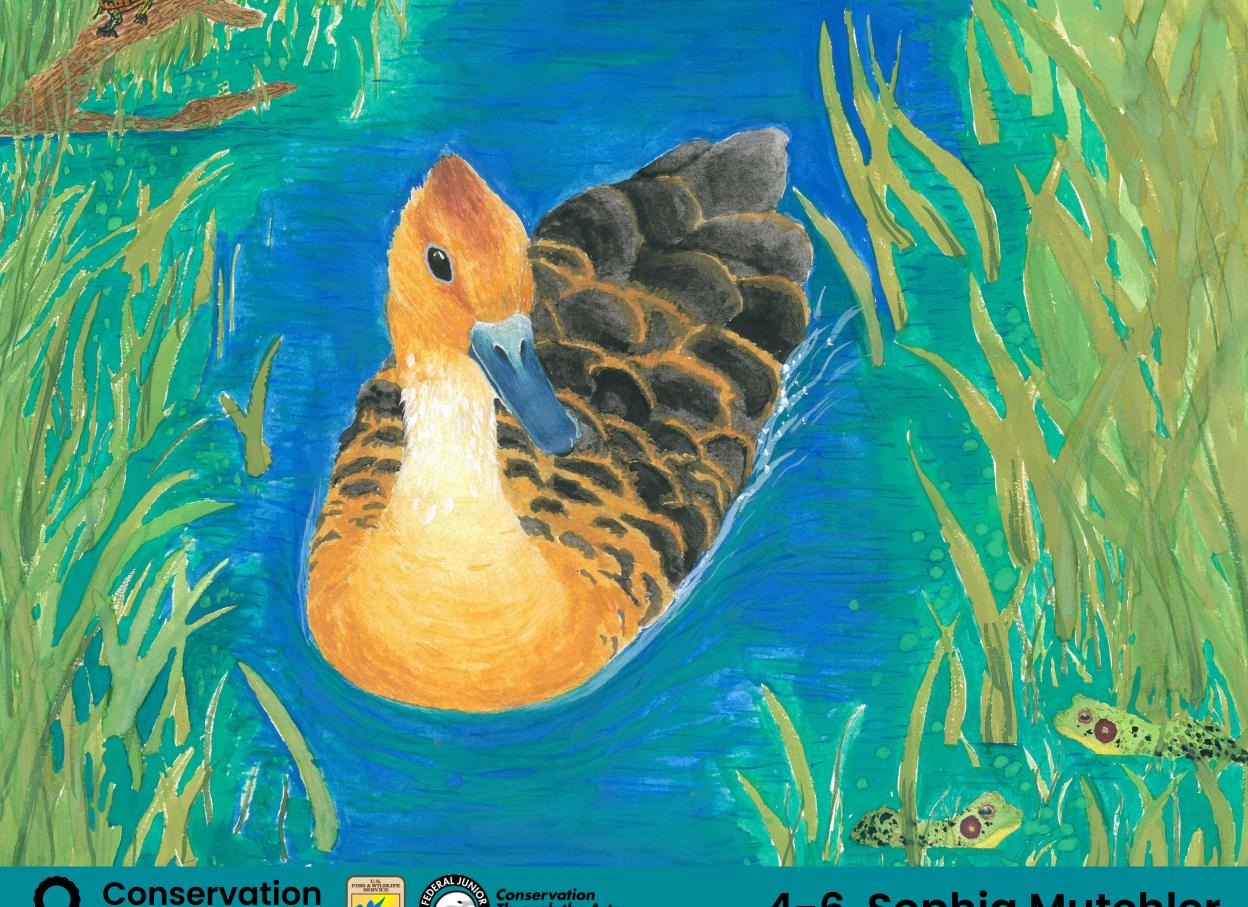
What is the Conservation Message?

A conservation message is where students can express their knowledge of the importance of the conservation of North American waterfowl habitat in their own words using a short sentence. Every student can enter one and be entered in the National competition against other students from across the country for the Best of Show Conservation Message Prize.

Everyone needs to recognize not just ducks, geese, and swans for their beauty, but for what a big role they play in the environment and how important it is that they stay.











4-6, Sophia Mutchler

How Can I Enter?



Learn about North American waterfowl and their habitats using the Junior Duck Stamp Curriculum Guides found online at: www.fws.gov/juniorduck



Any student K-12 can enter the contest with a 9x12 horizontal artwork using one of our permitted species from within the program brochure booklet.



Once finished, complete the entry and reference forms and be sure to not plagiarize photographers' artistic rights! The deadline is March 15th every year!



With all your forms filled out you can mail your entry to your state coordinator at: DeSoto NWR, ATTN:JR DUCK, 1434 316th Lane, Missouri Valley IA 51555.