

2009 DRIWR's International Migratory Bird Day Patch Contest Rules/Regulations

Eligibility: K-5 students attending public, private, or home schools in Michigan are eligible to enter.

Grade Level Categories: A winner will be selected in each individual grade level and an overall winner will be selected from that group.

Design Requirements: Designs should be simple and unique, and easily reproduced as a patch. All submissions must be original artwork.

Theme: The design should include a migratory bird that nests, winters, or stops over Michigan. Some species include: Grey Catbird, Red-eyed Vireo, Indigo Bunting, Yellow Warbler and Warbling Vireo.

Medium: Drawings may be any medium (pencil, oil, pen and ink, crayon, etc) and should be in color. No more than 13 colors can be used.

Shape: Please remember that the patch will be made into a circular shape.

Artwork size: All entries must be submitted on 8 1/2 x 11 paper without any mat or frame.

Lettering: The following must be included in the patch design:

“Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge”

“2009”

“International Migratory Bird Day”

Entry Information: On a separate piece of paper please print legibly or type the following information:

Student's name, home mailing address, home phone number, grade level, school or club affiliation and teacher's name if submitted through school or club. Staple this information to the entry. Artwork will not be returned unless requested. One entry per child.

Deadline: All entries must be received no later than March 1st.

Please mail entries to: Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge
9311 Groh Road
Grosse Ile, MI 48138
ATTN: Patch Contest

Awards: A grade level winner will be chosen from each grade category. An overall winner will be chosen from this group. All winners will receive a free winning patch and recognition at the IMBD event and featured on the refuge's website. Only the overall winner's design will be made into this year's IMBD patch.

Liability:

Contest Organizers:

1. Reserve the right to not use any entries submitted for patch design.
2. Will protect the integrity of winner's design composition as much as possible. Changes may be made to reproduce as a patch.
3. Reserve the exclusive right to authorize the reproduction of the winning design.
4. Will not insure the entries received or be responsible for loss of damage of the entries.
5. Have the right to use the student's name and image for promotional purposes with out compensation.
6. Have the right to destroy unclaimed artwork after one year.

Design entry must be contestant's original, hand done creation and may not be copies or traced. Photographs may be used for reference only. Computers or other mechanical devices may not be used in any stage of creating art.

Please call Kristi Thiel at 734-692-7649 with any questions.

