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The Idaho Fish and Wildlife Office Announces Winner of the State Junior Duck Stamp Competition

Both Art Competition and Conservation Message Winners Announced



BOISE, Idaho- A talented young artist from Boise, Idaho has taken top honors at the Idaho State Junior Duck Stamp Competition. A female and male pair of wood ducks were drawn with colored pencils by 14-year old Flannery Streiff from North Junior High, Boise. The original art piece will travel to Washington D.C. for the National Junior Duck Stamp Competition.

The Junior Duck Stamp program began in 1989 as an extension of the Migratory Bird Conservation and Hunting Stamp, commonly known as the Duck Stamp. The first national Junior Duck Stamp art contest was held in 1993. The stamp encourages students to explore their natural world, participate in outdoor recreation activities, and learn wildlife management principles. Some 3,000 Junior Duck Stamps are sold annually for \$5 each.

2019 Idaho winner, Flannery Streiff, 14, North Junior High, Boise.

In addition to the art contest, a Junior Duck Stamp Conservation Message Contest encourages students to express in words the spirit of what they have learned through classroom discussions, research and planning for their Junior Duck Stamp Contest entries. This year's winner, for the second year in a row, is Molly O'Sullivan, 13, from Boise, who wrote: "One small act to protect the earth creates a ripple, and the ripple a wave, and the wave a worldwide effort to save our planet."

For more information on the National Junior Duck Stamp Contest, visit: <https://www.fws.gov/birds/education/junior-duck-stamp-conservation-program/junior-duck-stamp-contest-information.php>

Other pieces of art work among Idaho's top winners:



Ian Hearn
Barrow's Goldeneye
Medium: colored pencil
Homeschool
Age: 17
Group IV



Grace Hinkle
Steller's Eider
Medium: colored pencil
North Junior High
Age: 14
Group III



Mason Allen
Red-breasted Merganser
Medium: colored pencil
North Junior High
Age: 15
Group III



Alara Kaltenecker
Ruddy Duck
Medium: colored pencil
Anser Charter School
Age: 9
Group I