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**“Hawaiian Nene” by Ashley Karoly,
Ragsdale High School, Greensboro, N.C**

North Carolina Federal Junior Duck Stamp Art Competition Best of Show Winner

Ashley Karoly, Ragsdale High School, Greensboro, N.C. won the North Carolina Federal Junior Duck Stamp art competition. The colored pencil on paper of a Hawaiian Nene (*Branta Sandvicensis*) was unveiled at the opening reception of the East Carolina Wildlife Arts Festival on Feb. 8 at the Washington Civic Centre, Washington, N.C. Karoly’s artwork will compete in the national competition to be held on April 17 at the San Diego Zoo. After the contest her artwork will travel throughout the United States as part of the Federal Junior Duck Stamp Art Tour Program. For dates and places of the tour visit: www.fws.gov/duckstamps/.

This year the North Carolina Federal Junior Duck Stamp Program continued its partnership with the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and the East Carolina Wildfowl Guild to host the competition. Jerry’s Artarama continued its sponsorship of the program and will be providing the top prizes.

Some of this year’s winners will also be on display at the N.C. Museum of History starting in March. The artwork will be part of a 7,500-square-foot exhibit presenting a captivating and multifaceted look at waterfowl in North Carolina. The exhibit entitled “*ArtDuckO: Waterfowl Culture in North Carolina*” will also showcase vintage decoys, Audubon prints, artifacts and images that tell the story of how ducks and other waterfowl have affected our history and culture. For further information: <http://ncmuseumofhistory.org/wgo/press11302007b.html>

Almost 600 students participated in this year’s competition (See winner’s list attached). The Federal Junior Duck Stamp Conservation Design Program is an integrated art and science curriculum developed to teach environmental science and habitat conservation. The first place national winning design is used to create a Federal Junior Duck Stamp each year. Proceeds from the sale of Junior Duck Stamps (which cost \$5) support conservation education by providing awards and scholarships for the students, teachers, and schools that participate in the program. For further information: <http://www.fws.gov/duckstamps/>. Buy a Stamp!

The contest was held at the North Carolina Estuarium, Washington, N.C. This year’s judges included: Jessica Humphries, N.C. Museum of Art; Clayton Wilkes, N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission; Ken Lowe, carver, Snow Hill, N.C.; Pat Holscher, artist, Washington, N.C. Ivie Elliot, Jr., World Champion Carver, Elizabeth City, N.C.

More than \$2,000 in prizes for this year's winners will be provided by Jerry's Artarama, a fine art supply store based in Raleigh, N.C. with 11 retail locations across the country. They also have an extensive on-line store as well as a mail order catalog. For further information on Jerry’s Artarama visit www.JerrysArtarama.com, or call 1-800-U-ARTIST (locally) (919) 878-6782.

For further information, please call Patty Matteson, N.C. Federal Junior Duck Stamp Coordinator, (919) 856-4520 (ext. 25). JPEGs of winning entries are available.

2008 Junior Duck Stamp Winners List

BEST OF SHOW

Ashley Karoly, Ragsdale High School, Greensboro, N.C. - Artwork Title: "Nene"

First Place

Camden Bierbauer	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Liam Caswell	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Sejie Chen	Massey Hill Classical High School, Fayetteville, N.C.
Alma Flores	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Connor Gentile	Jessie Mae Monroe Elementary School, Ash, N.C.
Kellie Jones	Jack Britt High School, Fayetteville, N.C.
Asherel Kaseorg	Home School, Charlotte, N.C.
Matthew Lang	West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, N.C.
Savanna Melda	West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, N.C.
Madison Nance	Southmont Elementary School, Asheboro, N.C.
John Ritenbaugh	Home School, Charlotte, N.C.

Second Place

Meghan Abella	North Moore High School, Robbins, N.C.
Echo Bennink	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Alexis Bradley	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Mollie Elmore	West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, N.C.
Larissa Juarez	Southmont Elementary School, Asheboro, N.C.
Isabella Leonetti	West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, N.C.
Meagon Locke	Seagrove Elementary, Seagrove, N.C.
Manuel Moreno	Parkland High School, Winston-Salem, N.C.
Abigail Morris	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
James Paul	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Caroline Temple	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
April Williams	Terry Sanford High School, Fayetteville, N.C.

Third Place

Colby Austin	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Alicia Barbosa	Parkland High School, Winston-Salem, N.C.
Ashlyn Craft	West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, N.C.
Lillian Elledge	West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, N.C.
Molly Flynn	Massey Hill Classical High School, Fayetteville, N.C.
Lauren Freeman	Southmont Elementary School, Asheboro, N.C.
Elizabeth Hinson	West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, N.C.
Katie Loflin	Seagrove Elementary School, Seagrove, N.C.
Hunter Mason	Southmont Elementary School, Asheboro, N.C.
Jonathan Portalatin	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Dunya Qasem	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Veronica Richardson	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.

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Honorable Mention

Elizabeth Allen	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Madison Allen	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Chris Arrington	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Celena Brock	Massey Hill Classical High School, Fayetteville, N.C.
Chelsea Brown	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Annie Buchanan	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Carrie Bumgarner	West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, N.C.
Shari Callahan	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Thomas J. Jehu Caudle	West Davidson High School, Lexington, N.C.
Shaearia Chambers	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Kou Chang	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Jacob Clapp	Seagrove Elementary School, Seagrove, N.C.
Maurice Copeland	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
James Conner	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Dalton Halna	Ocracoke Elementary School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Kyrstin Dunn	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Ashlynn Davis	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
April Dykes	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Sam Evans	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Daniel Garrish	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
William Gilbert	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Haley Godesky	Southmont Elementary School, Asheboro, N.C.
Dalton Halna	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Sonny Hayes	Southmont Elementary School, Asheboro, N.C.
Tessa Herring	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Nathan High	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Chelsea Hill	West Davidson High School, Lexington, N.C.
Lauren Hooker	Southmont Elementary School, Asheboro, N.C.
Zoe Huppert	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Lindsey Johnson	Seagrove Elementary School, Seagrove, N.C.
Katanaya Lawrence	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Victoria Lee	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Kane Martinez	Seagrove Elementary School, Seagrove, N.C.
Lupita Martinez	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Seth Mahaffey	Parkland High School, Winston-Salem, N.C.
Miguel Monter	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Douglas Nagel	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Hunter O'Neal	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Stacey O'Neal	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Daniel Pittman	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.

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Kristy Price	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Luke Robinson	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Jacob Rooker	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Michael Scofield	Seagrove Elementary School, Seagrove, N.C.
Amanda Self	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Tori Simons	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Dwanya Sutton	Vick Elementary School, Wilson, N.C.
Dylan Sutton	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Samantha Sutton	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Andrew Tillett	Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, N.C.
Taunnda Tillman	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Terrin Williams	Anson High School, Wadesboro, N.C.
Kaityln Woche	Elm City Elementary, Elm City, N.C.
Sydney Wrenn	Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, N.C.
Carolina Wagner	Lake Norman High School, Mooresville, N.C.

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