



Northern pintail duck in flight. Artwork by Brandt Brown

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

Brandt Brown, 18, a senior at Massey Hill Classical High School, Fayetteville, NC, won the North Carolina Federal Junior Duck Stamp art competition. His colored pencil drawing on paper of a Northern pintail duck entitled “Northern Pintail in Flight” will compete in the national competition to be held on April 15, 2011, at the John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge in Philadelphia, PA.

Brandt’s entry was submitted by his art teacher, Mona Brown. Ms. Brown’s students have been participating in the Junior Duck Stamp Art Competition for 14 years.

Three-hundred and sixty-five students participated in this year’s competition, held March 23, 2011, at the J.C. Raulston Arboretum in Raleigh NC. This year’s judges included: Christina Petch, START director, Jerry’s Artarama; Sharon DiGiulio, event coordinator, Jerry’s Artarama; Heather Goldstein, vice president of Artist Resources, Jerry’s Artarama; Jane Eckenrode, exhibit project coordinator, NC Museum of Natural Sciences; and John Hammond, endangered species biologist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Raleigh, NC Ecological Services Field Office.

More than \$2,000 in prizes will be provided to the top placing students by Jerry’s Artarama, a fine art supply store based in Raleigh, NC. Jerry’s Artarama has sponsored the North Carolina competition since 2005. For further information on Jerry’s Artarama visit www.JerrysArtarama.com, or call 1-800-U-ARTIST. The local North Carolina number is 919-876-6610.

The Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest integrates art and science in order to teach environmental science and habitat conservation through art. 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 and are available at your local post office) support conservation education by providing awards and scholarships for the students, teachers, and schools that participate in the program. For further information visit the Junior Duck Stamp web page: www.fws.gov/duckstamps/. Junior Duck Stamps cost \$5 and are available at any post office.

For further information about the Junior Duck Stamp Contest, please contact Dale Suiter at (919) 856-4520 (ext.18). JPEGs of the Best of Show and First Place winners will be posted online at <http://www.fws.gov/raleigh/>.

2011 Junior Duck Stamp Winners List

Best of Show

Brandt Brown, Massey Hill Classical High School, Fayetteville, NC
colored pencil drawing of a Northern Pintail entitled "Northern Pintail in Flight"

Group I (Grades K-3)

First Place

Caitlin Bobbitt, Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, NC

James Paul, III, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Christian Salmeron, Seagrove Elementary School, Seagrove, NC

Second Place

Giovanni Gonzales, Belmont Elementary School, Rocky Mount, NC

Whisper Meacham, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Abby White, Belmont Elementary School, Rocky Mount, NC

Third Place

Dylan Esham, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Amelie Lucash, Sparkroot Farm Home School, Columbia, NC

Ethan O'Neal, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Honorable Mention

Julian Bennink, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Kelsey Bierbauer, Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, NC

Becky Boos, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Joseph Dow, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Odalys Garcia, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Lachlan Howard, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Jareli Jaimes, Southmont Elementary School, Asheboro, NC

Christopher King, Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, NC

Spencer Locke, Seagrove Elementary School, Seagrove, NC

Chaseten Martin, Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, NC

Gaskill Parker, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Evy Poole, Southmont Elementary School, Asheboro, NC

Madison Rich, Southmont Elementary School, Asheboro, NC

Hannah Shaw, Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, NC

David Styron, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Avy Vinson, Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, NC

Group II (Grades 3-6)

First Place

Camden Bierbauer, Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, NC

Matteus Gilbert, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke Island, NC

Geri Messinger, Triangle Day School, Hillsborough, NC

Second Place

Colby Austin, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Taylor Fuller, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Aubrey Lanier, Manteo Elementary School, Manteo, NC

Third Place

Ingrid Contreras, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Jordan Roberts, Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, NC

Sierra Winstead, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Honorable Mention

Alexandra Almanza Martinez, Southmont Elementary, Asheboro, NC

Sydney Austin, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Brieanna Boos, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Kaylee Gaskins, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Spencer Gaskins, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Maclain Kalna, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Haylee Moore, Southmont Elementary, Asheboro, NC

Hunter O'Neal, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Mackenzie O'Neal, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Stacey Mae O'Neal, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Jordi Perez, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Eleeshah Price, Belmont Elementary School, Roanoke Rapids, NC

Bricia Rivera, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Mattie Rose, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Zach Stone, Seagrove Elementary, Seagrove, NC

Rebekah Sugg, Southmont Elementary, Asheboro, NC

Group III (Grades 7-9)

First Place,

Anna Memoli, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC

Ethan Robinson, Black Mountain Center for the Arts, Black Mountain, NC

Aldo Serrano, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Second Place

Steven Messenger, Triangle Day School, Hillsborough, NC

Brooke Noah, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC

Kristen VanSwearingen, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC

Third Place

Tara Hunt, Fairmont High School, Fairmont, NC

John Kalna, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Josie Winstead, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Honorable Mention

Madison Alford, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC

Daniela Chanelo, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC

Lindsey Finkbeiner, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC

John Hunt, Fairmont High School, Fairmont, NC

Asherel Kaseorg, Kaseorg Home School, Charlotte, NC

Courtney Kendrick, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC
Moe Laws, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC
Blake Leggett, Fairmont High School, Fairmont, NC
Kayla Liles, Fairmont High School, Fairmont, NC
Terrie Locklear, Fairmont High School, Fairmont, NC
Brandon O'Neal, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC
Mackenzie Pereira, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC
Kevin Perez, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC
Landon Smith, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC
Caroline Temple, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC
Christa Thomdyke, Fairmont High School, Fairmont, NC
Nebeyat Zekaryas, Ocracoke School, Ocracoke, NC

Group IV (Grades 10-12)

First Place

Tucker Besosa, Home School, Asheville, NC
Shannon Talley, Massey Hill Classical High School, Fayetteville, NC

Second Place

Miranda Freeman, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC
Esther Hern, Massey Hill Classical High School, Fayetteville, NC
Maritza Rangel, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC

Third Place

Leanne Bajkowski, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC
Asia Hernandez, Massey Hill Classical High School, Fayetteville, NC
Jonathan Gomez, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC

Honorable Mention

Paige Ashby, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC
Raven Breitenfeld, Massey Hill Classical High School, Fayetteville, NC
Tanner Brooks, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC
Erica Chatham, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC
Megan Chriscue, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC
Dillon Dunn, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC
Devonta Evans, Fairmont High School, Fairmont, NC
Michael Groves, Fairmont High School, Fairmont, NC
Travis Maness, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC
Stephanie McNeill, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC
Bethany Robbins, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC
Katelyn Sheffield, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC
Ny Ree Watson, Fairmont High School, Fairmont, NC
Gregory Williams, North Moore High School, Robbins, NC
Sandie Williams, West Forsyth High School, Clemmons, NC
Kadejera Ynman, Fairmont High School, Fairmont, NC