



# St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge 2013 Pollinator Art Contest

## Subject Matter

Art work should highlight one or more pollinator species (i.e. hummingbirds, bats, bees, beetles, butterflies, and flies that carry pollen from one plant to another) found in Florida. <http://www.fws.gov/pollinators/Index.html>

## Judging

### The art will be judged on the basis of

- Concept: How well the work relates to the pollinator theme.
- Composition: How well the elements of line and form work together.
- Color: How color enhances the art work.
- Expression: How imaginatively the work conveys an idea or emotion.
- Originality: New portrayal of subject.
- Accuracy: Obvious artist did research on pollinators.

Winners will be chosen in four categories:

- K-Grade 2
- Grades 3-5
- Grades 6-8
- Grades 9-12

First, second, and third place winners will be selected from each category this year. Contest entries will be evaluated by a panel of judges, including artists and conservationists. **The decision of the judges is final.** Contest winners will be notified prior to the Monarch Butterfly Festival, Oct. 26, 2013. Winning artwork and other artwork will be displayed at the **Monarch Festival in Nature's Classroom as space allows.** Participants that come to the Monarch Festival will receive participation prizes that day.

## Entry Requirements

- The physical size of submitted art work must be on media 8.5" x 11" and less than ¼" thick.
- Image must be a portrayal of one or more of Florida's native pollinator species in its natural state.
- Artistic liberties may be taken as long as the depiction is a recognizable pollinator species.
- There should be no border around the image.

- Entries should **not** be matted, mounted, laminated, framed or folded.
- A loose detachable cover sheet may be laid over the art face to protect it during shipping
- The entry may be multi-color, black and white, or a single color; it may be rendered in pen, ink, paint, crayon, marker, or pencil.
- No photography or computer-generated art will be accepted. Computers or other mechanical devices may not be used in creating artwork.
- Students are encouraged to print their titles on the front of their pictures. However, they should **NOT write their names anywhere on the front of the picture.** Such markings will result in disqualification.
- **Design entries must be entrant's original, hand-drawn creation and may not be traced or copied from published photographs or other artists' works.**
- One entry per student is accepted.
- Completed entry form must be affixed to the back of the artwork.
- Conservation Message about the importance of conserving pollinator species must be included with art entry. See entry form. Don't attach to artwork, but make sure to include all artist information on the message.
- **Entries must be received by October 7, 2013.** Judging will be done prior to Oct. 14, 2013.
- Winners will be notified prior to Oct. 21, 2013.
- Winning entries will be posted on the refuge website at ([www.fws.gov/saintmarks](http://www.fws.gov/saintmarks)), along with the artist's name and school.

## Submission

**Entries may be delivered in person or sent to: St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge**

### Physical Address:

St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge  
 ATTN: Lori Nicholson  
 1255 Lighthouse Road  
 St. Marks, FL 32355

### Mailing Address:

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***Direct questions to Lori Nicholson at 850-915-6121 or [lori\\_nicholson@fws.gov](mailto:lori_nicholson@fws.gov)***

## Ownership

General submissions may be picked up by participants at the Monarch Festival or later. ***All artwork not picked up by Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> becomes property of St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge.*** Though the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and St. Marks NWR will attempt to treat all submitted work with the utmost care, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and St. Marks NWR is not responsible for any damage or loss that may occur during the sending of entries through the mail. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will have permission to use art work for educational purposes.