





## Wanna' Win? Here's some tips!

- **Super Size It!** The winning artwork at the national level will be shrunk to postage stamp size. This is considered in the judging, so don't draw a tiny duck in a large pond of water. The duck or ducks should be the main focus of your art.
- **Bold is Beautiful!** All types of art are welcome in the contest, but remember what ever style you do, do it boldly. Even if it is black and white, make the difference in your white and black areas bold and easily distinguishable. Pastels and lightly shaded areas don't show up as well at stamp size.
- **Habitat is Good.** Ducks have to live somewhere, so show where that is.
- **Be original!** Just like copying on a test is cheating, copying on your art directly from someone's picture is cheating too. You can reference photos, the internet, books, and other sources. Just remember, make it your own. You have good and creative ideas, put them to good use!!
- **Double Check the Duck.** There are specific species of waterfowl that can be entered into the contest. Please make sure you choose a species from that list or your art can not be entered into the official judging.
- **All art must be drawn horizontal.** That's this way , NOT this way .
- **Check the paper size.** The art needs to be 9X12 inches in size and less than ¼ inch thick.
- **Be a secret Artist!** Most artists sign their work on the bottom corner of their piece, but for this contest don't do it! There can be no wording on the art in this contest.
- **Art with no Borders...**don't draw borders on your art. Just focus on your waterfowl and its habitat.