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NATIONAL ELK REFUGE CELEBRATES NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE WEEK

The National Elk Refuge is celebrating National Wildlife Refuge Week, October 10-16, with library art packets, an October Art Challenge, and an outdoor display of the 100 Wyoming Junior Duck Stamp entries from the 2021 contest.

The Refuge is partnering with Teton County Library, Jackson branch to offer art packets for families. Library patrons can pick-up the free project packets during open hours at the Jackson branch, beginning October 8. The free packets will be available first-come first-serve, until supplies run out. Follow along on Instagram (@_NationalElkRefuge) to see the daily projects beginning Monday, October 11.

Participate in our October Art Challenge. Follow us on Instagram @_NationalElkRefuge beginning Monday, October 11 for weekly art prompts for the entire month of October. Week 1 prompts will focus on National Wildlife Refuge Week, Week 2 prompts will focus on Cultural History, and Week 3 prompts will focus on Conservation. Prompts will be posted on Mondays for the week.

And finally, visit Murie Family Park October 12-16, to enjoy the top 100 entries from the Wyoming Junior Duck Stamp 2021 contest. Wyoming Junior Duck Stamp is part of a national art contest that combines art and conservation. K-12 students in Wyoming are able to draw their favorite native species of waterfowl and learn about the importance of conservation of wetlands. The top 100 entries receive prizes and the Wyoming Best of Show goes on to compete at the national level, against the Best of Shows from across the country! For more information and entry details, check out www.fws.gov/birds/education/junior-duck-stamp-conservation-program.php or contact the WY Jr. Duck Stamp coordinator, Raena Parsons at raena_parsons@fws.gov.

National Wildlife Refuge Week celebrates the great network of lands and waters that conserve and protect Americans' precious wildlife heritage. Did you know that there are 568 National Wildlife Refuges in the United States? Jackson, Wyoming is home to one of those wildlife refuges: the National Elk Refuge! The National Elk Refuge provides, preserves, restores, and manages winter habitat for the nationally significant Jackson Elk herd as well as habitat for endangered species, birds, fish, and other mammals.

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