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Developed as a way to engage children to learn about aquatic conservation, Wildlife Forever's State-Fish Art Contest continues to grow. It was another record year for entries and the judging was tough. But in the end, 80 winners from across the country were selected as the best.

These 80 winning entries were on



First place winner in grades 4 – 6, Brie Jenkins, shows off her winning piece at the State-Fish Expo art the Mall of America.

display at the Mall of America during The State-Fish Art Expo, June 7 – 9, 2002. Winning kids from as far away as California, Delaware and Louisiana came to Bloomington, Minnesota to attend the awards presentation at the Mall of America, spend part of a day fishing and see their artwork on display for the hundreds of thousands that typically visit the Mall.

In addition to the artwork display, those at the Mall were able to try their luck in a video based deep sea fishing contest and test their fish IQ playing "fish jeopardy". This years sponsor, Jiffy Pop popcorn also held a drawing for a years supply of popcorn. According to Doug Grann, President and CEO of Wildlife Forever, "We're pleased to have Jiffy Pop on board with their support. It's really a good fit with Wildlife Forever. Jiffy Pop is the perfect outdoor



Doug Grann accepts a \$5,000 check from Dan Gray of Jiffy Pop in support of Wildlife Forever.

snack. We're both in the business of helping people enjoy the outdoors."

Steve Pennaz, Executive Director of the North American Fishing Club and Wildlife Forever Board Member, hosted Saturday's awards presentation.

Preparations are underway for the 5th annual State-Fish Art Contest. You can view the winning pieces or download an entry form by visiting the Wildlife Forever web site at www.wildlifeever.org and clicking on the State-Fish Art Contest link.