

# Participate in the Federal Junior Duck Stamp Program

## ENTRY DEADLINE

### JANUARY 15, 2009



**Conservation  
Through the Arts**  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE



**“Hawaiian Nene” by Ashley Karoly,  
Ragsdale High School, Greensboro,  
N.C**

Dear Educator/Parents:

Have your students enter the 2009 Junior Duck Stamp Competition. You can use this opportunity to help teach your students about the environment. **All artwork must be postmarked by January 15, 2009.**

The North Carolina Federal Junior Duck Stamp Program is partnering with the East Carolina Wildlife Guild. The Guild is dedicated to providing educational activities associated with wildlife art, conservation of wildlife resources, and preservation of the wildlife heritage that is so much a part of Eastern North Carolina. Jerry’s Artarama, a fine art supply store based in Raleigh, N.C., will continue to be our contest sponsor.

The artwork judging will take place at the North Carolina Estuarium in Washington, N.C. This year’s Best of Show and his/her family will receive an all expense paid trip to attend the East Carolina Wildlife Arts Festival in Washington, North Carolina, Feb. 6 through the 8 to receive their prizes. All winning artwork will be on display during the three-day festival. Last year, Jerry’s Artarama gave out more than \$3,000 prizes to the top placing students.

All students submitting artwork, regardless of proficiency, will receive a certificate with their name on it from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Teachers/Parents just need to make sure that **the artwork is horizontal, 9 X 12 in size, no writing on artwork, with the contest entry form filled out and affixed to the back of the artwork.** The artwork must resemble one of the species of waterfowl listed on the following website <http://www.fws.gov/juniorduck/> or call (703) 358-2000 for a list of species.

There are four age groups that will be judged in the state level competition: **Grades: K-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12.** The top three winners in each category will compete for the North Carolina Best of Show which will be sent to the National Junior Duck Stamp Competition in Washington, D.C. For further information, contest entry form and for education materials please visit <http://www.fws.gov/juniorduck/EducationProgram.htm> or email [Patty\\_Matteson@fws.gov](mailto:Patty_Matteson@fws.gov) or call (919) 856-4520 (ext. 25).

#### **How to Enter the Contest:**

Artwork entered in the Contest must be **postmarked and mailed** to the following address **by January 15, 2009:**

Patty Matteson, North Carolina Coordinator, Federal Junior Duck Stamp Program, USFWS Raleigh Field Office, 551 F. Pylon Drive, Raleigh, NC 27606

For questions: Call: 919-856-4520 ext. 25 or E-mail: [Patty\\_Matteson@fws.gov](mailto:Patty_Matteson@fws.gov)

#### **For information on our partnering or sponsoring agencies:**

East Carolina Wildlife Guild [www.eastcarolinawildfowlguild.com](http://www.eastcarolinawildfowlguild.com) or call (252) 946-2897

Jerry’s Artarama [www.jerrysartarama.com](http://www.jerrysartarama.com) or call (1-800-827-8478)

