

2013 Marine Art Contest for K-12 Students

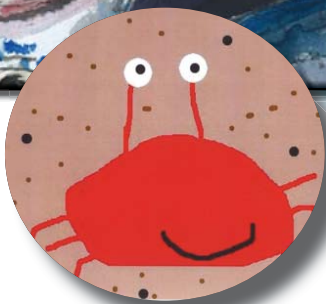
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Divisions:
K-4
5-8
9-12
Computer
Graphics
Scientific
Illustration



Deadline:
April 25, 2013



Theme:
**Amazing Ocean Creatures
of Stellwagen Bank
National Marine Sanctuary**



Sponsors:
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Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary
New England Aquarium
Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies
Stellwagen Alive: Friends of the Sanctuary
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For more information about the contest, visit <http://www.massmarineeducators.org>

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Questions

For more information about the contest, call 781-545-8026 ext. 204 or email anne.smcrcina@noaa.gov

Massachusetts Marine Educators (MME) is a grass roots organization of teachers, informal educators, students, educational institutions and others dedicated to the goals of developing a marine literate society and promoting awareness of the ocean world by integrating marine studies into existing curricula. For more information, visit the MME website at <http://www.massmarineeducators.org>

ART CREDITS: (page 1) Page 1: Humpbacks by Elizabeth Bowerman, grade 10, Falmouth HS; Loon by Helena S., grade 7, Jonas Clarke Middle School, Lexington; Herring Catch by Keegan Gilmore, grade 10, Nauset Reg. HS; Basking Shark, Leatherback and Tuna by Jessica Wong, grade 11, Lincoln-Sudbury Reg. HS; Bluefin Tuna by Michael J., grade 3, Station Ave. Elem. School, S. Yarmouth; Crab by Talia D., grade 2, West Elem. School, Plymouth; Sea Stars by Pei Z., grade 1, Yang Mythos School, Shenzhen, China. Page 2: Lobster by Kai P., grade 4, Laurel School, Brewster; Gull and Whale by Isabelle C., grade 7, Boston Latin School; Wolffish by Shaelen Keane, grade 9, Plymouth S. HS; Jonah Crab by Morgan O'Connell, grade 10, Milton Academy. Page 3: Green Sea Turtle by Kenna Melkonian, grade 11, Falmouth HS. Page 4: Acadian Redfish by Maddie Dalton, grade 11, Falmouth HS

ATTENTION

Art & Graphic Arts Teachers
Marine Science & Biology Teachers
Elementary Classroom Teachers
Middle School Classroom Teachers
Afterschool Leaders
Homeschool Instructors
Students



THEME: Amazing Ocean Creatures of Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary

Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary is New England's only such marine protected area, located between Cape Ann and Cape Cod at the mouth of Massachusetts Bay. It is an ocean wilderness near a busy and heavily populated urban world. Yet this special place is filled with an amazing array of marine life. The diversity extends from tiny one-celled diatoms to enormous humpback whales. Students are encouraged to create artistic interpretations of any one or several of these local species.



For more information about sanctuary species, visit

Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary
<http://stellwagen.noaa.gov>

New England Aquarium Teacher Resource Center
<http://www.neaq.org>

Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies
<http://www.coastalstudies.org>

Please make sure that the animals illustrated are truly Stellwagen Bank Sanctuary species. Artwork representing species that cannot be found in the sanctuary will be disqualified.

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General Information

There are FIVE divisions in the contest — grades K-4, grades 5-8, grades 9-12, an open scientific illustration division (K-12), and an open computer graphics division (K-12) with a winner, second and third place selected from each division. Winning entries will be posted on the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary website <http://stellwagen.noaa.gov>, will become part of a traveling art show, and may be used by the sanctuary, MME and other sponsors in their outreach programs. Certificates will be sent to the participating teachers or individual students at their specified school or home addresses. Entry deadline is April 25, 2013.

Basic Requirements

- Entries should be no smaller than 8"x10"; no larger than 18"x24"
- White, non-glossy paper is recommended; please, do not laminate. Try to keep artwork flat and not crease.
- Teachers may send in as many entries as they like, but selective screening would be appreciated. Individual students may send in up to two entries.
- Label each entry on the back with student's name, age and grade, along with the teacher's name, school name, address and telephone number or use the official entry form. If the entry is coming from an individual, please indicate an address where correspondence may be sent (if not the school).

Grades K-4

Students are to create artwork that relates to this year's theme. Students should include on the back of the paper or on the entry form the name of the animal(s) in the image.

Grades 5-8 and 9-12

Students are to create pieces that meet this year's theme. The student must include on the back of the image (or on an attached official entry form) information about the art — what species or group of animals is illustrated (common and scientific names) and a short statement about the animal's characteristics. Take care that lettering does not show through the illustration; a separate but attached sheet is preferred -- no staples please.)

Scientific Illustration -- all grades

Students should strive for technical accuracy in their art. Artwork may be based on microscope studies, field observations, dissections or photographs. High school biology and marine science students are encouraged to submit entries, as are students in art classes. Students should attach information about their subject, such as the common and scientific name(s) of the animal(s) pictured.

Computer Graphics and Photographs -- all grades

Students may use any computer graphics software program to develop original computer art or to manipulate images from outside sources. If using photographs or artwork from other artists, please state the source of the original images. Students should identify the animal(s) in the artwork.

Judging

Entries will be judged on creativity, factual accuracy, artistic presentation, and relevance to the theme. Grades K-4, 5-8 and 9-12, scientific illustration and computer graphics will be judged separately.

Deadline: Thursday, April 25, 2013

Entries must be received at the sanctuary office or postmarked by this date.

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Prizes

Grand Prize: 4 whale watch tickets from Dolphin Fleet of Provincetown.

First Place (all categories): \$40 cash award, 4 passes to the New England Aquarium, and Certificate.

Second Place (all categories): \$25 cash award, 2 passes to the New England Aquarium, and Certificate.

Third Place (all categories): \$10 cash award, 2 passes to the New England Aquarium, and Certificate.

Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Places (all categories): Certificate.

Honorable Mention: Certificate.

Special Prizes may be awarded based on sponsorship availability.

Send entries to:

MME Art Contest
c/o Anne Smrcina
Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary
175 Edward Foster Road
Scituate, MA 02066

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ENTRY FORM

STUDENT'S NAME _____

AGE _____ GRADE _____

SCHOOL _____

TEACHER'S NAME _____

TEACHER'S E-MAIL _____

or for students submitting individually (under 18 years old)

PARENT'S NAME _____

PARENT'S E-MAIL _____

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SCHOOL or HOME PHONE # _____

SCHOOL or HOME ADDRESS: _____

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Submission of this entry gives the sponsoring organizations all rights to use the artwork for non-commercial purposes. Entry grants permission to use the students' names in press releases announcing winning artwork. Winning artwork posted on the sanctuary website will include the high school students' full names, but middle school and elementary school students will be identified only by first name and last initial (unless otherwise specified on this form). Winning artwork will travel for a year in a touring exhibit. Entries become the property of MME, but teachers may contact the contest director to make arrangements for return of the art.

NAME OF SPECIES IN ARTWORK (COMMON & SCIENTIFIC)

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS ABOUT ARTWORK OR CONTEST

Students' full names will be used in press releases announcing winners. For web, exhibit and other outreach purposes, full names will be used for high school students, while work by elementary and middle school students will be identified with first name and last initial, unless specified differently below.

___ do not use full name in press release

___ do not use full name on website (high school student)

___ use full name for exhibit/web (elementary/middle school students)

