

November 5, 2018

Dear Artist,

Thank you for entering the 2019 Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) art contest(s). On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, a panel of five independent judges made the very difficult decision of selecting the winning artwork for the Waterfowl, Upland Game Bird, and Habitat Conservation Stamp art contests.

This year's art contest had a total of 70 entries:

- 14 entries were received depicting Ruffed Grouse for the Upland Game Bird Stamp Contest;
- 23 entries were received depicting Lesser Scaup, Red-breasted Merganser, American Green-winged Teal, and Greater White-fronted Goose for the Waterfowl Stamp contest; and
- 33 entries were received depicting select Strategy Species for the Habitat Conservation Stamp contest.

The winning entries and top finalists were as follows:

### **Upland Game Bird**

1. Ruffed Grouse by Kip Richmond of Clayton, NC
2. Ruffed Grouse by Jeffrey Klinefelter of Etna-Green, IN
3. Ruffed Grouse by John Conner of Grandville, MI
4. Ruffed Grouse by Jessica Reed of Sawyer, MI
5. Ruffed Grouse by J.B. Basham of North Myrtle, SC

### **Waterfowl**

1. Greater White-fronted Goose by Guy Crittenden of Richmond, VA
2. Red-breasted Merganser by Robin Myers of Bloomfield, IN
3. American Green-winged Teal by Richard Clifton of Milford, DE
4. American Green-winged Teal by Jeffrey Klinefelter of Etna Green, IN
5. Greater White-fronted Goose by Kip Richmond of Clayton, NC

### **Habitat Conservation**

1. Franklin's Bumble Bee by Karin Wares of Medford, OR
2. Bull Trout by Katie Martin of Portland, OR
3. Northern Red-legged Frog by Lorraine Bushek of Portland, OR  
(3<sup>rd</sup> place tie)

3. California Mountain Kingsnake by Simon Graves of Springfield, OR (3<sup>rd</sup> place tie)
5. Peacock Larkspur by Kip Richmond of Clayton, NC

Congratulations to the winners! The winning artwork from each competition will be featured on 2019 collectors stamps and promotional materials. Revenue from the stamps will be used for research, surveys, habitat improvement, and conservation projects for Oregon's fish and wildlife.

After the judging, the doors to the Duck Pond Cellars showroom were opened and the public was invited to view the art and cast their vote for the People's Choice Award. All of the artwork was very popular, and there were many favorites, but the winner and top finalists of the People's Choice Award were:

1. Franklin's Bumble Bee by Karin Wares of Medford, OR
2. Three-way tie:
  - Ruffed Grouse by Rod Frederick of Bend, OR
  - American Green-winged Teal by Richard Clifton of Milford, DE
  - Fender's Blue Butterfly by Steven Bell of Grants Pass, OR
3. Fender's Blue Butterfly by Terri Neal of Portland, OR

During the art show, each entry had a plaque with the artist's name, location, and contact information (if authorized). Hopefully you all will be contacted by interested buyers!

Thank you for entering the art contest(s) and supporting Oregon's wildlife. We invite you to participate in any or all of our stamp competitions next year. To see this year's art entries, or to find the list of eligible species for next year's art contests (which will be announced shortly), please visit our websites below.

Waterfowl:

<http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/waterfowl/contest/index.asp>

Upland:

[http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/upland\\_bird/contest/index.asp](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/upland_bird/contest/index.asp).

Habitat Conservation:

[http://www.dfw.state.or.us/conservationstrategy/habitat\\_conservation\\_stamp.asp](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/conservationstrategy/habitat_conservation_stamp.asp)

Sincerely,

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