



## **WATERFOWL STAMP 2022 ART COMPETITION CONTEST RULES and ENTRY FORM**

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) will hold an art contest to select the artwork that will be featured on the 2022 Waterfowl Stamp. The sale of waterfowl stamps funds game bird research, surveys, habitat improvement and conservation projects.

### **Contest Dates**

Entries will be accepted between August 27 and 5 p.m. on September 24, 2021 at the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Headquarters, 4034 Fairview Industrial Drive SE, Salem, OR 97302.

**Please note the Salem Headquarters office is closed to public entry due to COVID. To hand deliver an entry, please call (503) 947-6301 to schedule an appointment to drop off your entry.**

### **Subject/ Eligible Species**

Art entries must feature the **Northern Shoveler** in its natural habitat setting.

### **Prize**

The winning artist will receive a \$2,000 award.

### **Entry Rules**

- Artist depictions must be identifiable as an eligible species (listed above) or will be disqualified from the competition.
- Image size of each entry shall measure 13 inches by 18 inches—landscape or portrait.
- Full color medium. No photographs, sculptures, fabric art, computer-generated or computer-enhanced art, or carvings will be accepted.
- Artwork must be mounted and/or matted (white only), but not framed or under glass.
- Artwork must be the artist's original creation. A direct copy of another person's artwork or photograph is not acceptable.
- Artwork must be unsigned by the artist.
- Artwork previously used in production or entered into any state or federal stamp competition, including Oregon, will be disqualified.
- Artwork must be completely dry. The Department is not responsible for damage to any artwork that is submitted wet or uncured.
- All entries must be submitted in sturdy reusable containers. Artwork will be returned to the artist in the same packaging as originally submitted. The Department will not be liable for a loss or damage during shipment to or from the Department's office.
- It is the responsibility of each entrant to obtain adequate property insurance coverage for their contest submission. The Department assumes no liability for damage, loss, or theft of any entry.
- Artists may submit more than one entry.
- Artists must submit a completed Art Competition Entry Form (see below) with each entry. The Department reserves the right to use this information for publicity should the entry be selected.
- Department employees are not eligible to participate in the contest.

**Submit entries (between August 27 and 5 p.m. on September 24, 2021) to:**

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Attn. Waterfowl Program  
4034 Fairview Industrial Drive SE  
Salem, OR 97302

**Judging Criteria**

The contest winner will be chosen by a panel of judges comprised of one Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commissioner and four citizens appointed by the Director or their designee.

The panel will score:

- Artistic composition
- Anatomical accuracy of the species
- Habitat accuracy
- General rendering
- Background
- General appeal

**Art Show**

- After the judging is complete, the artwork will be available to be viewed by the public. An announcement as to the location and timing of the judging and art show will be provided in advance.
- Indicate on the Art Competition Entry Form whether you authorize the Department to provide your contact information to members of the public who may be interested in purchasing your entry if you do not win the contest.

**Winning Entry**

- The winning entry becomes the exclusive property the Department, which retains all reproduction rights of the winning entry.
- The artist shall sign, at no charge, up to 250 stamps and/ or prints for sale by the Department.

**From more information**

Visit the stamp art competition website ([https://www.dfw.state.or.us/stamp\\_contest/index.asp](https://www.dfw.state.or.us/stamp_contest/index.asp)) or contact Kelly Walton (503-947-6322, [Kelly.M.Walton@state.or.us](mailto:Kelly.M.Walton@state.or.us)).

**About the Waterfowl Stamp Program**

Oregon has had a waterfowl stamp every year since 1984. Waterfowl validations are now printed directly on hunting licenses, so the Department no longer requires a physical stamp be carried in the field while hunting. However, the Department still makes the stamp available (at no additional charge) to hunters who purchased a validation. Stamp collectors may also purchase the stamp.

From 1995-2013, internationally renowned wildlife artist Robert Steiner was under contract to produce the featured artwork on the waterfowl stamp. The Department has now opened up a public contest to select the artwork featured on the waterfowl stamp.

**OREGON WATERFOWL STAMP  
2022 ART COMPETITION  
ENTRY FORM**

Artist's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (for returning artwork, please no PO boxes)

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Artist Website (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Medium of Entry \_\_\_\_\_

Species Depicted \_\_\_\_\_

Biographical Information: Please include (either on a separate page or written in below) a brief description of the artist's background, experience and previous artistic accomplishments. This information may be used for publicity purposes should the artwork be selected.

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Do you authorize the Department to provide your contact information to members of the public interested in purchasing your art entry? Yes  No  (please check one)

If yes, what contact info may we provide: Email  Website  Phone

How did you hear about the art contest? \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the 2022 Waterfowl Stamp Contest Rules and will comply with all of the terms listed.

Artist's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PACKAGING ARTWORK

Please remember to pack your artwork carefully for entry into the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife stamp contest(s). Artwork that is hand delivered to the Salem Headquarters Office still needs to be enclosed in protective packaging to prevent damage while storing and in transit to the judging event.

**To hand deliver an entry, please call (503) 947-6301 to schedule an appointment to drop off your entry.**

**For packing artwork, we recommend the following:**

1. Use a stiff packing material to ensure that the art will not be bent or damaged in transit. We find that artwork placed in a shallow box or sandwiched between two pieces of cardboard that are just slightly bigger than the artwork is best. This is a simple packing method, there is little space for the artwork to shift around in, and often costs less to ship than using a large box.
2. We discourage the use of packing peanuts, lots of bubble wrap, or other packaging fillers as the artwork can still shift around inside the box. If your box is sized to your artwork, often a piece of foam board on each side of your artwork is enough padding to protect it.
3. If you are entering multiple entries into our contests, we recommend you ship all the entries in the same box. Place a protective cover or sheet of paper between each entry.
4. If you are hand delivering your entry, you are welcome to place your art in a portfolio or light cardboard mailer for protection.
5. Remember if you do not win, your artwork will be shipped/returned to you in the packaging you entered it in. The Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife is not responsible for damages incurred during shipping.