

HOW TO ENTER:

Completed portfolios must be post-marked by March 31 of each year.

Portfolios must include:

- A completed entry form.
- Artwork.
- One-page composition. The composition must include the student's name and address.

Entry forms will not be accepted by email. Please download or print the entry form at www.statefishart.com and send via regular mail.

Entry forms must be completed, signed by a parent, teacher or guardian, and glued to the back of the original artwork.

- Completed entries should be mailed to:**
Wildlife Forever State-Fish Art Contest
2700 Freeway Blvd. #1000
Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

RULES & REGULATIONS:

- The State-Fish Art Contest is open to children in grades four through twelve attending public, private or home-schools in the United States. Only one entry per child will be accepted.

- Portfolios will be judged on the quality of the artwork.
- The artwork must call attention to any officially designated state fish. PA's official state fish is the brook trout. The fish must be depicted in its natural habitat. Information about each state fish is available at www.statefishart.com.

- All artwork must be the contestant's original, hand-done creation. Photographs and computer-generated artwork will not be accepted.

- All artwork must be 8.5"x11" and horizontal, without a mat, frame, cover sheet or border. Art techniques may include scratchboard, pointillism, chalk, charcoal, dry brush, watercolor, crosshatch, lead, collage, linoleum printing or crayon. Please note: If contestants use chalk, charcoal or lead, they should seal the artwork with an adhesive.

- All artwork must not exceed 1/4-inch in total thickness.
- No lettering, signatures or initials may appear on the front of the design. Any artwork with such identifying characteristics will be disqualified and eliminated from the competition.

- Completed portfolios must include a typed composition or theme paper not to exceed one page in length. Compositions should relate specifically to the characteristics of the state fish, its habitat, behavior or efforts to conserve it. The composition **must** include the student's name and address.

The "Art of Conservation" Stamp Award

Each year Wildlife Forever will select one design from all the entries for an interesting, useful and attractive fish stamp. Criteria for selection of the award follows:

- All rules, regulations and deadlines of the State-Fish Art Contest apply.



- The state fish should be the dominant feature of the design and the habitat must be appropriate for your state and species.

- Designs may include fishing-related items.

- Keep the design simple. The image will be reduced to create a stamp.

- Color will be given priority over black and white.

- **Do not** make the design look like a stamp. No numbers or design elements are allowed.

PRIZES:

- All contestants will receive a certificate of participation.
- Three winners from each state will be selected on May 1, one winner per grade group (4-6th, 7-9th, 10-12th) for a total of 150 winners (50 states x 3 winners = 150).

- All winning designs will be displayed at the State-Fish Art Expo in the summer.

- All winning designs will be online at www.statefishart.com.

- Visit "Prizes" at www.statefishart.com to catch the latest information about prizes for the Wildlife Forever State-Fish Art Contest.

THE FINE PRINT:

- The State-Fish Art Contest is not open to the immediate relatives of Wildlife Forever employees or participating sponsors.

- It is the student's responsibility to inform Wildlife Forever of any change of address.

Wildlife Forever:

- Has the right to use the name of any State-Fish Art contestant without compensation.

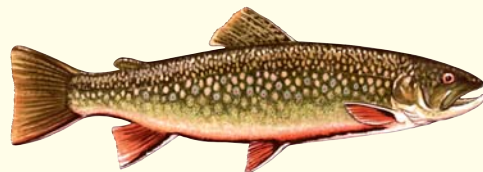
- Retains ownership of all artwork entered in the contest. In order to promote the Wildlife Forever State-Fish Art Contest, products such as posters, prints, T-shirts, etc. may be produced from winning artwork. Any money realized from the sale or licensing of the artwork will be used to support the contest, wildlife conservation and education initiatives. The winning artists must provide autographs without charge to Wildlife Forever.

- Will return all other entries upon request after August 31 of the contest year, if the student provides a self-addressed 10"x13" envelope.

- Reserves the right to destroy unclaimed entries after one year.

- Will not insure entries it receives or be responsible for loss or damage of the entries.

Illustration: Ted Walker



PA's State Fish—Brook Trout

WILDLIFE FOREVER STATE-FISH ART CONTEST ENTRY FORM



Important for Teachers:

If part of a classroom project, please fill out teacher and school information before duplicating and distributing to students. Duplicate and glue to back of artwork. Do not staple.

Entries addressed to:

Wildlife Forever State-Fish Art Contest
2700 Freeway Blvd. #1000
Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

Entry Deadline: Must be postmarked by **March 31, 2009**

Winner Announced: **May 1, 2009**

Grade	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 th	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 th	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 th	<input type="checkbox"/> 7 th	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 th	<input type="checkbox"/> 9 th	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 th	<input type="checkbox"/> 11 th	<input type="checkbox"/> 12 th
Check one:	Group I			Group II			Group III		

Please print or type

Contestant

Last Name First Name Birthdate

Home Address

Street or PO Box

City State Zip

Telephone

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Home Parent Daytime

Art Entry Title

Essay Title

Fish Species

Art Medium Used

School and Teacher Information:

Teacher's Name _____ ()
School Phone

Name of School _____

Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____



I hereby certify that this is my original work and that it is not a copy of published photographs, magazines, book illustrations, or other materials protected by copyright laws. I understand that Wildlife Forever and other sponsors are not responsible for loss or damage to my artwork and/or composition. I grant exclusive right to Wildlife Forever and its designees to utilize my artwork and/or composition for reproduction and promotional purposes and to display my art. Also, I agree that my artwork and/or composition may be used, altered, or published as they see fit without compensation to me.

Signature of Student _____ **Date** _____

Signature of Parent, Guardian or Teacher _____ **Date** _____

Entry questions should be directed to pconzemius@wildlifeforever.org or by calling 1-763-253-0222.

Artwork must be 8.5" x 11" HORIZONTAL and no more than 1/4-inch thick. Do not mat or frame.

Do not have lettering or borders on the front. Visit www.statefishart.com for full list of entry guidelines.

Cut along the dotted line and mail today! Photocopy this form if you don't wish to cut your magazine.