



From 265 entries, judges selected first-, second- and third-place winners and one honorable-mention winner in the six categories of the 2009 PA Fish & Boat Commission Photography Contest.

First-, second- and third-place winners received a certificate, the limited-edition magazine 75th anniversary patches and the limited-edition 2008 nongame species patch. Honorable mention winners received a certificate and the limited-edition 2008 nongame species patch.

The contest's "best in show" winner, now chosen for the fifth year, was selected from all category first-place winners. The best in show winner (see below) received a Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission hat.

Special thanks go to this year's Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission judges: Norine Bahnweg, Spring Gearhart and Teri Miller. A tip of the hat also goes to employees Norine Bahnweg and Teri Miller for tracking submissions as they arrived and for organizing the entries for judging.

Winning photographs may appear in issues of *PA Angler & Boater* and in other Commission publications, exhibits, projects and media. Winning entries also appear on the Commission's web site, www.fishandboat.com.

See page 32 to view the 2010 PA Fish & Boat Commission Photography Contest rules and entry form. The entry deadline is December 31, 2010. Don't wait. Search your photographs, plan a photography trip now, fill out an entry form (required) and enter the 2010 contest.



Young Anglers and/or Boaters

1

Best in Show and First Place

James Gilson - Port Royal, PA
*Fishing a mayfly hatch in Spring Creek,
Centre County*



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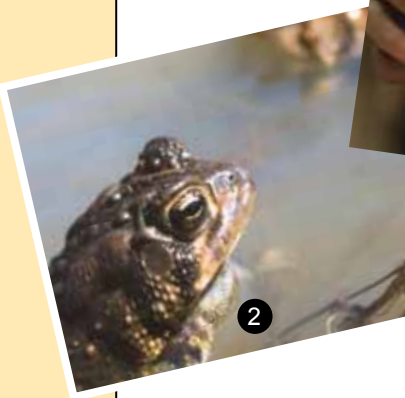
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Young Anglers and/or Boaters *continued*

2

Second Place

Edward Kowalski - Reading, PA
Ryan Schuettrumpf, Marsh Creek Lake, Chester County

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Third Place

James Lindow, Sr. - Bridgeville, PA
James Lindow, Jr., Woodcock Lake, Crawford County

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Honorable Mention

John Cater - New Castle, PA
Moraine State Park, Butler County

Reptiles, Amphibians, Invertebrates

1

First Place

Dennis Johns - Natrona Heights, PA
Box turtle, Venango County

2

Second Place

Daniel E. Weeks - Pittsburgh, PA
Eastern American toad, Butler County

3

Third Place

Karen Pompe - Cheswick, PA
"First Encounter," juvenile eastern milk snake, Potter County

4

Honorable Mention

James N. Bonetti - Harrisville, PA
Dragonfly, Brittain Lake, Westminster College, New Wilmington, PA



Family Fishing and/or Boating

1

First Place

Robert Talone - Woodlyn, PA
*Sophia & Joe Talone, Sr.,
 Westtown Lake,
 Chester County*

2

Second Place

James Lindow - Bridgeville, PA
*French Creek,
 Crawford County*

3

Third Place

Lawrence Toth - Penn Hills, PA
*Autumn and Lyndsa, North Park Lake,
 Allegheny County*

4

Honorable Mention

Bethany Claus Lindow - Pittsburgh, PA
*Edinboro Lake,
 Erie County*

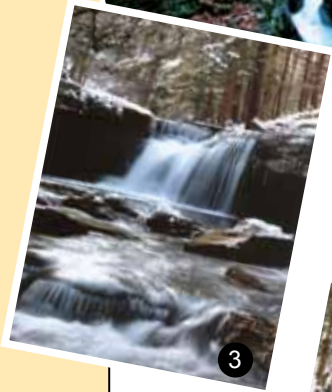
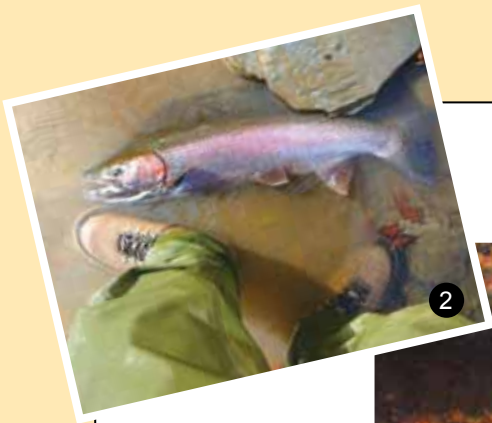


Seasonal Fishing and/or Boating

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First Place

Warren Jacobs - Perkiomenville, PA
*Mattie Jacobs and Ace Kuklin, Lake
 Ontelaunee, Berks County*



Seasonal Fishing and/or Boating *continued*

2

Second Place

Karen Pompe - Cheswick, PA
*Steelhead (released), Elk Creek,
Erie County*

3

Third Place

Jim Merritt - Ridgway, PA
*"Not A Care," Cherry Springs State Park,
Potter County*

4

Honorable Mention

Matthew Pesci - Rossford, OH
*First Fork, Sinnemahoning Creek,
Potter County*

Waterway Scenics (Flowing Waters)

1

First Place

Eric Ernst - Watsonstown, PA
*Sullivan Falls,
Sullivan County*

2

Second Place

Donald Biresch - Ottsville, PA
*Rapp Creek,
Bucks County*

3

Third Place

Barbara Lauver - Altoona, PA
*South Poplar Run,
Blair County*

4

Honorable Mention

Melinda Remley - Franklin, PA
*Two Mile Run,
Venango County*



Waterway Scenics (Impoundments)

1

First Place

Scott Williams - Sarver, PA
*Pond along McVile Road,
Armstrong County*

2

Second Place

Frank J. Sulzer, Jr. - McKees Rocks, PA
*North Shore Pond, Moraine State Park,
Butler County*

3

Third Place

Melinda Remley - Franklin, PA
*Justus Lake,
Venango County*

4

Honorable Mention

Alex Reinke - Olanta, PA
*Moshannon State Forest,
Elk County*



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