



WILDLIFE FOREVER STATE-FISH ART CONTEST RULES & REGULATIONS



PA's State Fish - Brook Trout

HOW TO ENTER:

Completed portfolios must be postmarked by March 31 of each year. Portfolios must include:

- A completed entry form.
- Artwork of participant's state fish.
- One-page composition about participant's state fish, its habitat, behavior or efforts to conserve it. The composition must include the student's name and address.
 - Entry forms are also available by calling toll-free 1-877-FISHART (877-347-4278). Please allow two weeks by mail. Entry forms will not be accepted by e-mail. 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 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 the official fish of his or her home state. 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 on the Internet 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 it 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 be related 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.

PRIZES:

- All contestants will receive a certificate of participation.
- Three winners from each state will be selected on Earth Day of each year—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 Mall of America in Minneapolis, Minnesota at the State-Fish Art Expo in June.
- All winning designs will be presented online at www.statefishart.com.

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.
 - Contestants living in Washington, D.C. may use either the Maryland or Virginia state fish in their portfolios.

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 monies 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.
 - Retains all winning entries until June 1 of the following year and will return the winning entries to the students in June upon request.
 - Will return all non-winning entries upon request after August 31, 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.

