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Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art is sponsoring their 2006 Nature Art Contest for students, grades 1st – 12th Theme: "PENNSYLVANIA'S NATURAL WORLD"

- Students should not copy published artwork.
- The theme is NATURE. Do not submit drawings of domestic animals such as dogs or horses.
- Winning artwork will be displayed during the Ned Smith Center Nature and Arts Festival and a presentation of awards will be made at this event on Saturday, July 29, 2006.
- Ribbons and prizes will be awarded in four age categories.
- Artwork will be judged before the festival and winners will be notified.
- Be creative and have fun!

ENTRY DEADLINE: June 30, 2006

RULES:

- * Artist must be in grades 1-12. Students must enter in one of the following grade categories: 1^{st} 3^{rd} , 4^{th} 6^{th} , 7^{th} 9^{th} , 10^{th} 12^{th} .
- * One entry per student.
- * Students should not copy published artwork.
- * Artwork must include flora or fauna that is native to PA along with a part of PA's native natural world either as seen in nature or a descriptive illustration. The natural world could include any of the following: 1) Wildlife mammals, birds, amphibians, fish, reptiles, insects or spiders. The animals represented in all artwork must be wild (not domestic) and depicted within the Pennsylvania habitat in which they call home. 2) Naturally occurring flora wildflowers, berries, trees, shrubs, leaves, ferns, or fungi (mushrooms -Ned's favorite!).
- * On the BACK of your artwork you must have the following: your name, home address, phone #, school, grade, art teacher (if part of art class) and the correct name of your subject (be specific).
- * Artwork may not be larger than 11 x 14 inches.
- * NO frames, mat or glass will be accepted.
- * Any medium on paper is accepted: Pencil, charcoal, watercolor, oil, etc. PLEASE NOTE: Pastels or charcoal must be sprayed to prevent smearing.
- * NO three-dimensional work will be accepted.
- * Artwork must be postmarked by Friday, JUNE 30, 2006. Contestant responsible for return of artwork.
- * Non-placing artwork may be picked up at the Ned Smith Center after July 31. If contestants would like their entries mailed back to them, they must include with their entry a self-addressed, stamped envelope that will accommodate the entry size. The Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art will not be responsible for the return of all artwork or possible damage to artwork.

The Ned Smith Center reserves the right to hold winning artwork for display, publication, and reproduction.

*Please submit your artwork to:

Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art ATTN: Nature Art Contest Committee PO Box 33 Millersburg, PA 17061

PRIZES:

All winners (1st, 2nd, 3rd and Honorable Mentions) will receive ribbons, award certificates and prizes. 1st place Winners will be posted on the Center's web site.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US AT 717-692-3699 or e-mail at nedsmith@epix.net. A listing of these rules may be printed from our website at http://www.nedsmithcenter.org/.