

# 2015 Kids Bird Art Contest

Sept 12-Oct 11, 2015

Ages 3-17



Science and art come together in this fun art contest for kids. Spend time outside recording information about the birds in your neighborhood or a nearby park or preserve. Collect all your observations together in a scientific drawing with notes, like a page in a field guide. Share your work and compete for prizes!

1. Submissions must depict bird(s) and habitat that the artist has seen and visited (see example to right).
2. Submissions should be original (not copied, traced, or duplicated from previously published art or photos) and should be completed by the child with minimal adult assistance. Photographs can be used for reference as long as they are also original photos.
3. Submissions should include the common and scientific name of the bird, date, drawing of the bird in its habitat, observation notes, and author/artist's name. Other items to consider including: a map, microscopic views, labeled parts, notes on behavior, season, interactions with other species, etc.
4. Final submissions should be an original work, created with traditional media such as pencil, crayon, watercolor, scratchboard, or markers. No prints, copies or digital submissions please.
5. Submissions should be created on paper that is at least 8.5 x 11 inches but the image itself should fit within an 8x10 frame.



Winners will be announced on October 16<sup>th</sup> in three age categories: ages 3-6, ages 7-11, and ages 12-17.

Prizes will be awarded at SFBBO's Annual Membership Meeting on Sunday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at the South Bay Yacht Club in Alviso (attendance not required), and the winning artwork will be featured at the event. All submissions are eligible for submission to Guides From the Field, an online community-sourced field guide and nature journal for Silicon Valley ([guidesfromthefield.org](http://guidesfromthefield.org)), and will be featured on SFBBO's Facebook page.

To Apply: Drop off or mail entries to arrive by October 12 (post date by Oct. 10) to SFBBO, 524 Valley Way, Milpitas, CA. Limit of one entry per child. All entries become the property of SFBBO, may be displayed on the SFBBO website, Facebook page, or in other communications, and will not be returned to the artist. If you have questions, please call SFBBO at 408-946-6548 ext. 10 or email [cfc@sfbbo.org](mailto:cfc@sfbbo.org).