



Massachusetts Marine Educators



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Art
Contest
2010



GRADES K - 12
2010 THEME

**Amazing
Ocean
Creatures**

of Stellwagen Bank
National Marine
Sanctuary and
the Gulf of Maine

DEADLINE: APRIL 25, 2010



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ATTENTION:

**Art and Graphic Arts Teachers
Marine Science & Biology Teachers
Elementary Classroom Teachers
After-School Leaders
Home School Instructors
Students**

ART CREDITS: Page 1: Mark S., South Shore Charter Public School, Norwell, grade 2 -- goosefish, Jacqueline Smith, Plymouth South High School -- manatee, Kyleigh D., West Elementary School, grade 2 -- crab, Morgan O., Milton Academy, grade 7 -- kemp's ridley sea turtle - Page 2: Rachael DePersia, Marshfield High School -- mako shark, Danielle R., Southbrook Academy, Bridgewater, grade K -- jellyfish, Mary-Kathryn Cushing, Sandwich High School -- lobster - Page 3: Emma K., homeschool, grade 6 -- leatherback turtle, Sienna C., Plymouth South Middle School, grade 7 -- mackerel, Evelyn R., Stonebridge School, Portsmouth, VA, grade K -- naked sea butterfly - Page 4: Olivia C., Nantucket New School, grade 7 -- blood star, Micah Watson, Provincetown High School, grade 12 -- striped bass

THEME: Amazing Ocean Creatures of Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary and the Gulf of Maine

Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary, a marine protected area located between Cape Ann and Cape Cod at the mouth of Massachusetts Bay, is an ocean wilderness near an urban world filled with amazing marine life. A diversity of sea creatures reside in the sanctuary and the greater Gulf of Maine, ranging from tiny one-celled diatoms to enormous humpback whales. Students are encouraged to create artistic interpretations of these local species.

Please make sure that the animals illustrated are truly Sanctuary/Gulf of Maine species. Artwork representing species from outside the Gulf of Maine will be disqualified.



New England Aquarium



Massachusetts Marine Educators (MME) is a grass roots organization of teachers, informal educators, students, educational institutions, and others dedicated to the goals of developing a marine literate society and promoting awareness of the ocean world by integrating marine studies into existing curricula. For more information, visit the MME Web site at: <http://www.massmarineeducators.org>



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General Information:

There are FIVE divisions in the contest — grades K-4, grades 5-8, grades 9-12, an open scientific illustration division (K-12), and an open computer graphics division (K-12) with a winner, second and third place selected from each division. Winning entries will be posted on the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary web site <http://stellwagen.noaa.gov> used by the sanctuary to publicize anniversary events, and used by MME in its outreach programs. Notification and certificates will be sent to the participating teachers or individual students at their schools. Entry deadline is April 25, 2010.

Basic Requirements:

- The entries should be between 8.5" x 11" and 18" x 24".
- Use white (recommended), non glossy paper; do not laminate.
- Teachers may send in as many entries as they like, but selective screening would be appreciated.
- Label each entry on the back with student's name, age and grade, along with the teacher's name, school name, address and telephone number.

Grades K-4 Requirements:

Students are to create a poster/artwork that relates to this year's theme. Students should include on the back of the poster the name of the animal in the image.

Grades 5-8 and 9-12

Students are to create posters/artworks that meet this year's theme. The student must include on the back of the image (or attach a separate sheet of paper) with information about the art — what species or group of animals is illustrated (common and scientific names), and a short statement about the interesting characteristics of that animal. (Be sure that lettering does not show through the illustration; a separate but attached sheet is preferred -- no staples please.)

Scientific Illustration:

(all grades):

Students should strive for technical accuracy in their art. Illustrations may be of single animals (e.g., diatom, copepod, squid, herring, etc.) or a group of animals. Artwork may be based on microscope studies, field observations, dissections, or photographs. High school biology and marine science students are encouraged to submit entries, as are students in art classes. Students should attach a brief statement about the process of developing the illustration and the common and scientific name(s) of the animal(s) pictured.

Computer Graphics

(all grades):

Students may use any computer graphics software program to develop original computer art or to manipulate images from outside sources. If using photographs or artwork from other artists, please state the source of the original images. Students should also write a brief statement about the animal(s) in the artwork.



Judging:

Entries will be judged on creativity, factual accuracy, artistic presentation, neatness, and relevance to the theme. Grades K-4, 5-8 and 9-12, scientific illustration and computer graphics will be judged separately.

Prizes:

Grand Prize: 4 whale watch tickets from Dolphin Fleet of Provincetown.

First Place (all categories): \$25 cash award, 4 passes to the New England Aquarium, and Certificate.

Second Place (all categories): \$15 cash award, 2 passes to the NE Aquarium, and Certificate.

Third Place (all categories): \$10 cash award, 2 passes to the New England Aquarium, and Certificate.

Honorable Mention: Certificate.

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Questions:

For more information about the contest, call 781-545-8026 ext. 204 or email anne.smraina@noaa.gov

To find out more about marine life in the sanctuary and the Gulf of Maine, visit these web sites:

Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary
<http://stellwagen.noaa.gov>

New England Aquarium Teacher Resource Center
<http://www.neaq.org>

Census of Marine Life
<http://www.usm.maine.edu/gulfofmaine-census>

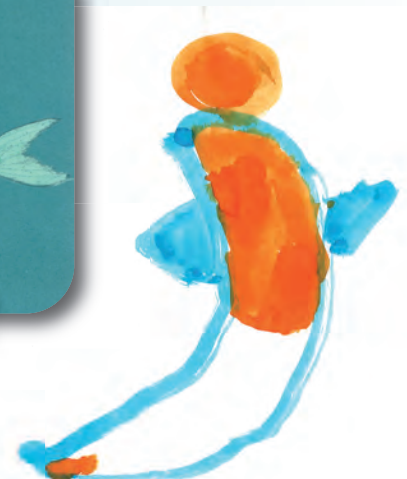
Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies
<http://www.coastalstudies.org>

Send entries to:

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STUDENT'S NAME: _____

AGE: _____ GRADE: _____

TEACHER'S NAME: _____

TEACHER'S EMAIL: _____

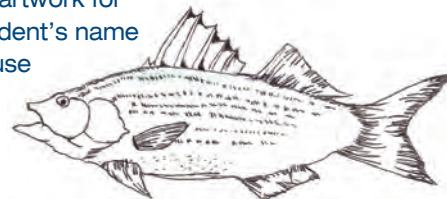
SCHOOL: _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS: _____

SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER: _____

Submission of this entry gives the sponsoring organizations all rights to use the artwork for non-commercial purposes. Entry grants permission to use the (high school) student's name in press releases and web pages announcing results of the contest and in any use by the sponsoring organizations of the artwork in their publications and web sites. For grades K-8, students will be identified by school and first names/last initials only.

Check here if you DO NOT PERMIT use of the student's full name: ☐



Details about the art (as specified in contest rules): _____



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