

### About the Sutton Award

Established in 2005 by the Sutton Avian Research Center, the Sutton Award recognizes high school students who demonstrate the ability to communicate current conservation topics in compelling ways. The Sutton Award is comprised of up to \$20,000 in cash which will be distributed to winning student submissions and their instructors as determined by the selection committee.

# Eligibility

- 1. Student must be a current Oklahoma student (public, private, or homeschooled) in grades 9-12.
- 2. Student must not be an employee or an immediate family member of an employee of the Sutton Center or NatureWorks.

# **Submission Requirements**

- 1. There is no entry fee.
- 2. Only one entry per student.
- 3. Create and submit a presentation piece that tells an intriguing story about a current conservation topic such as water, air or soil quality, or wildlife conservation. The project should specifically focus on your personal interest and/or involvement in conservation. (This accounts for two-thirds of total score.) If you would like to know more about threatened and endangered species in Oklahoma and help tell their stories, go to https://www.WildlifeDepartment.com/wildlife/wildlife-diversity/threatened-and-endangered
- 4. Compose a short essay where you tell us about the wildlife conservation story behind your artwork and what you want people to know about the topic. (This accounts for one-third of total score.)
  - a. Essay Formatting: Word document, one-page, double spaced, 12 pt. Arial font, 1 inch margins, no indents, black/white print, no background, title of your piece (bolded and centered) at the top of the page.
  - b. Title of your essay should match the title of your piece.
  - c. Do NOT include your name or school on your essay.
  - d. Proper grammar, spelling, etc. count toward your score.
  - e. Essays will be displayed alongside your Fine Art piece.
- 5. Choose ONE of the following format categories for your presentation:
  - a. <u>2-D Category</u>: Submissions may include painting, drawing, etc. Submission must be matted and wrapped, no larger than 24"x24" (including mat).
  - b. <u>3-D Category</u>: Submissions may include sculpture, ceramics, mixed media, etc. No video submissions will be accepted.
  - c. <u>Photography Category</u>: Submissions may include up to 6 color or black/white photographs. Photos must be matted and wrapped, with a total combined size no larger than 24"x24" (including mats).
- 6. Your essay and a photo of your Fine Art piece must be submitted online at www.suttoncenter.org/art. Online submission is open January 3 January 13. Online submission ends at Midnight CST on January 13. No late submissions will be accepted.



## **Submission Locations**

In addition to an online submission, you must also submit your presentation piece to one of the following locations:

#### The Hive Jenks:

115 South First St, Jenks, OK 74037 Tel: 918-299-5005 Friday, January 14, 2:30 - 5:00 pm

## University of Central Oklahoma -- Oklahoma Center for Arts Education

100 N. University Drive, Evans Hall, upstairs Great Room, Edmond, OK 73034 Tel: 405-974-3754 Sunday, January 16, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

#### **Award Notification**

- 1. All qualified entries will be showcased at The Hive Jenks from Jan. 21 Jan. 30.
- 2. Winning entries will be announced at the Sutton Award reception on Sunday, Jan. 30, 2022 at The Hive Jenks 2–4 pm. All students, families and teachers are invited to attend.
- 3. Non-winning artwork must be picked up by 4:30 pm on Jan. 30.
- 4. The top winning artwork will be professionally framed and showcased at the 2022 NatureWorks Art Show and Sale (February 25-27, 2022). Winning artwork MUST be taken home at the conclusion of the NatureWorks Show.
- 5. The committee's decisions are final and no correspondence will be exchanged.

#### For more information

www.suttoncenter.org/art afogle@suttoncenter.org or call Audra Fogle O: 918-336-7778 / C: 918-408-1128















