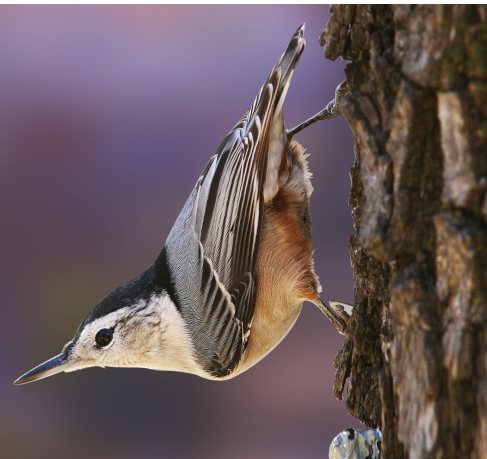




SUTTON AWARD

for Excellence in Communicating Current Conservation Issues



About the Sutton Award

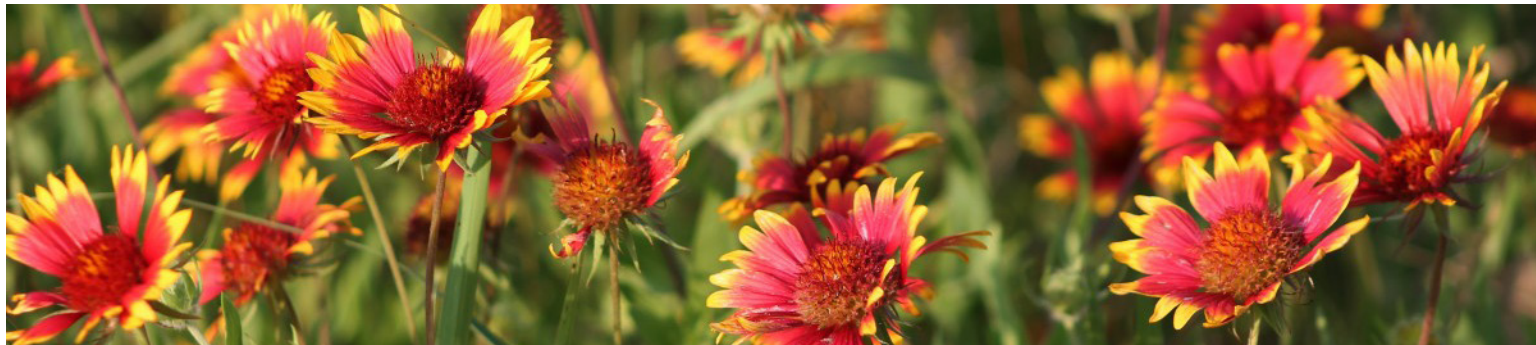
Established in 2005 by the Sutton Avian Research Center, the Sutton Award recognizes high school students who demonstrate the ability to communicate current conservation topics in compelling ways. The Sutton Award is comprised of up to \$20,000 in cash which will be distributed to winning student submissions 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, 250 words, 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. 2-D Category: Submissions may include painting, drawing, etc. Submission must matted and be no larger than 24"x24" (including mat).
 - b. 3-D Category: Submissions may include sculpture, ceramics, mixed media, etc. No video submissions will be accepted.
 - c. Photography Category: Submissions may include up to 6 color or black/white photographs. Photos must be matted, 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 2 - January 16. Online submission ends at Midnight CST on January 16. No late submissions will be accepted.



Award Notification

1. All qualified entries will be showcased on the Sutton Avian Research Center's website.
2. Winning entries will be announced on the Sutton Avian Research Center's website on Friday, February 3rd at noon.
3. The top winning artwork will be professionally framed and showcased at the 2023 NatureWorks Art Show and Sale (March 3, 4, 5, 2023). Winning artwork **MUST** be taken home at the conclusion of the NatureWorks Show.
4. The committee's decisions are final and no correspondence will be exchanged.

For more information

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