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## California Wildlife Day Art and Poetry Submissions

To be exhibited at CWD  
Palo Corona Regional Park  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

March 26, 2023

Sponsored by the Carmel River Watershed Conservancy & Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District

**Details:** We invite your digital entries--original art or poems featuring your vision of CA Wildlife and your community. We encourage entries that feature endangered and threatened species in California, and speak to the interface between human and animal communities.

**Entries for poems should describe one of the following:**

- 1) *Your relationship to wildlife in CA*
- 2) *Life from the point of view of a native species*
- 3) *How animals & humans live in community*

*(You may also read your poem at the event.  
Please indicate if you would like to do so.)*

**Entries for art should depict one of the following:**

- 1) *Landscape with CA wildlife*
- 2) *Endangered or threatened species in CA*
- 3) *How animals & humans live in community*

**Deadline: March 14, 2023**

**Rules and Guidelines**

1. The California Wildlife Day contest is open to K-12 grade enrolled students, ages 5-19.
2. All entries must be accompanied by the student's name, grade, school name, title of artwork or poem, and category in which the work is being submitted.
3. Guidelines for poetry
  - a. All poems must be original work. Poetry submissions must be either typed or legibly written in ink (not pencil).
  - b. Poems should not exceed 1 page of standard letter paper (8 ½" x 11").
4. Guidelines for artwork
  - a. All artwork must be original work.
  - b. Artwork dimensions should be in standard sizes, recommended 8 ½" x 11", not to exceed 11" x 17". Acceptable media types are paint, pencil, markers, ink, crayon, watercolor, or mixed media.
5. Submissions
  - a. Submission date: Digital submissions for poetry & artwork will be accepted **between Feb 1, 2023 through March 14, 2023**. In-person submission will be accepted **between Mar 1, 2023 through Mar 14, 2023**.
  - b. Submission platform:

Digital submission will be accepted through email [cwds submissions@gmail.com](mailto:cwds submissions@gmail.com)

*or*

In-person submission, email [cwds submissions@gmail.com](mailto:cwds submissions@gmail.com) to coordinate pick up/ drop off.
6. All entries must be delivered by the **DEADLINE: March 14, 2023**. Unfortunately, we cannot accept late entries.
7. **Digital submissions will be exhibited during the online portion of CWD during the event. Hard-copy submissions will be exhibited on site at Palo Corona Regional Park on March 26.** Every effort will be made to display as many submissions as possible. However, due to display area limitations, not all artwork may be exhibited. See samples of last year's entries [here](#). All submissions (digital and hard-copy) will be included in the digital archive after the event.
8. Digital submissions will not be returned. Hard-copy submissions will be returned by request.
9. Through submission of poetry or artwork, contestants and their legal guardians grant non-exclusive reproduction and publication rights to the works submitted.
10. All students will receive a certificate/CWD bag/CWD sticker for entering.

**Thanks for your participation in our annual California Wildlife Day Art & Poetry Gallery!**