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SNWR Photo Contest Winners Announced.

Seney National Wildlife Refuge has announced the winners of the 2023 photo contest. The photo contest was sponsored by Seney National Wildlife Refuge, Erickson Center for the Arts, and Friends of Seney National Wildlife Refuge. Winning entries were selected by a panel of volunteers familiar with the refuge and photography. People's Choice awards were determined by a public voting during the Erickson Center's 906 Festival. Thanks to all photographers who submitted photographs and congratulations to the winners.

Wildlife Category

Juried Winners

1st Place: Photographer: Charlie Rumschlag; Title: Red's Breakfast; Subject: Red Fox eating Chipmunk

2nd Place: Photographer: Ruth Achterhoff-Aust; Title: Wilson's Snipe on Take-off; Subject: Wilson's Snipe

3rd Place: Photographer: Evan Deutsch; Title: Pied-billed Grebe and Chick; Subject: Pied-billed Grebe with Chick on Back

Honorable Mention

Photographer: Ruth Achterhoff-Aust; Title: Fisher (*Pekania pennanti*); Subject: Standing Fisher

Photographer: Sharon Lumbert; Title: Black Bear Cub; Subject: Black Bear Cub

Photographer: Sharon Lumbert; Title: Snapper on Frozen Pool; Subject: Snapping Turtle on Ice

Photographer: Sharon Lumbert; Title: Northern Harrier; Subject: Northern Harrier

People's Choice

1st Place: Photographer: Ruth Achterhoff-Aust; Title: Wilson's Snipe on Take-off; Subject: Wilson's Snipe

2nd Place: Photographer: Charlie Rumschlag; Title: Red's Breakfast; Subject: Red Fox eating

3rd Place: Photographer: Sharon Lumbert; Title: Black Bear Cub; Subject: Black Bear Cub

Special Assignment: Bugs Category

Juried Winners

1st Place: Photographer: Evan Deutsch; Title: Pink Spotted Lady Beetle; Subject: Lady Beetle species

2nd Place: Photographer: Emily Dixon; Title: The Very Scary Caterpillar; Subject: Canadian Tiger Swallowtail Caterpillar

3rd Place: Photographer: Sharon Lumbert; Title: Sipping the Nectar; Subject: Pink-edged Sulphur on Spreading Dogbane

Honorable Mention

Photographer: Evan Deutsch; Title: Northern Crescent and Western Honey Bee; Subject: Northern Crescent and Western Honey Bee

Photographer: Evan Deutsch; Title: Sphinx Moth; Subject: Hummingbird Moth (Sphinx Moth)

People's Choice

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2nd Place: Photographer: Emily Dixon; Title: The Very Scary Caterpillar; Subject: Canadian Tiger Swallowtail Caterpillar

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Recreation Category

Juried Winners

1st Place: Photographer: Charlie Rumschlag; Title: Reflecting on Recreation

2nd Place: Photographer: Karen Kanine; Title: My Favorite Fisherman

3rd Place: Photographer: Lindsey Lombardo; Title: Timeless

Honorable Mention: Photographer: Molly E. Julian; Title: Jeep on Bridge

People's Choice

1st Place: Photographer: Molly E. Julian; Title: Jeep on Bridge

2nd Place: Photographer: Karen Kanine; Title: My Favorite Fisherman

3rd Place: Photographer: Charlie Rumschlag; Title: Reflecting on Recreation

Plants Category

Juried Winners

1st Place: Photographer: Emily Dixon; Title: Reflections of a Water Lily; Subject: Sweet-smelling Waterlily

2nd Place: Photographer: Lindsey Lombardo; Title: Plethora of Plants; Subject: Plants on the Forest Floor

3rd Place: Photographer: Jennifer A. Howard; Title: Black-eyed Susan; Subject: Black-eyed Susan

Honorable Mention

Photographer: Jennifer A. Howard; Title: Jennifer A. Howard; Subject: Wild Rose

People's Choice

1st Place: Photographer: Emily Dixon; Title: Reflections of a Water Lily; Subject: Sweet-smelling Waterlily

2nd Place: Photographer: Jennifer A. Howard; Title: Black-eyed Susan; Subject: Black-eyed Susan

3rd Place: Photographer: Lindsey Lombardo; Title: Plethora of Plants; Subject: Plants on the Forest Floor

Landscape Category

Juried Winners

1st Place: Photographer: Lindsey Lombardo; Title: Crashing on the Shore

2nd Place: Photographer: Sharon Lumbert; Title: Winter Beauty

3rd Place: Photographer: Charlie Rumschlag; Title: Solitude & Sunrise

Honorable Mention

Photographer: Ruth Achterhoff-Aust; Title: Sable Sunrise of Seney

Photographer: Kathleen H. Gray; Title: Riveting Reflection

People's Choice

1st Place: Photographer: Charlie Rumschlag; Title: Solitude & Sunrise

2nd Place: Photographer: Sharon Lumbert; Title: Winter Beauty

3rd Place: Photographer: Kathleen H. Gray; Title: Riveting Reflection

Youth Category

Juried Winners

1st Place: Photographer: Luke Lombardo; Title: Walking on Water; Subject: Canada Goose

2nd Place: Photographer: Evelyn Lombardo; Title: Buzzing Bee; Subject: Bindweed and Tricolor Bee

3rd Place: Photographer: Daniel Lombardo; Title: Sticking Out; Subject: Downed Tree in Water

Honorable Mention

Photographer: James Askam; Title: Feed Me Momma; Subject: Common Loons

Photographer: Makenna Lombardo; Title: Busy Bee; Subject: Bee at Common Milkweed

People's Choice

1st Place: Photographer: James Askam; Title: Feed Me Momma; Subject: Common Loons

2nd Place: Photographer: James Askam; Title: You and Me; Subject: Common Loon with Chick on its Back

3rd Place: Photographer: Daniel Lombardo; Title: Sticking Out; Subject: Downed Tree in Water