This year, 650 pieces of art were submitted from Humboldt County students in grades K through 12. Some 41 cash prizes totaling $650, plus 39 honorable mentions, were awarded in a ceremony at the Arcata Community Center in mid-April. All entries were displayed during the Godwit Days Spring Migration Bird Festival.— Sue Leskiw, Contest Organizer

**Kindergarten & Grade 1**

First Place, Morgan Boynton, Aldergrove Charter, Anna’s Hummingbird

Second Place, Harry Davis, Jacoby Creek, Chestnut-backed Chickadee

Third Place, Kayona Brown, Fuente Nueva Charter, Black-crowned Night-Heron

Honorable Mentions: Teddy Mainzer, Jacoby Creek, Bald Eagles; Hailey Potter, Greenpoint School, Wood Duck; Alia Kurland-Hardy, Fuente Nueva Charter, Barred Owl; Arabella Steele, Seaforth Montessori, American Robin

(From top) Morgan Boynton; Kayona Brown.  
(From top) Harry David; Teddy Mainzer.
Grade 2 award winners. Photo by Paul Johnson.

(Above) Hailey Potter.
(Right, from top) Alia Kurland-Hardy; Arabella Steele.

Note: There is no photo of award winners in Grades K-1 because none of them attended the awards ceremony.

Grade 2
First Place, Iver Vu, Fuente Nueva Charter, Sandhill Crane; Kira Osbourne, Redwood Coast Montessori, Northern Flicker
Second Place, Wren Pittman, Fieldbrook Elementary, Spotted Owl; Aurelia Fosnaugh, Northern United Charters, Ruby-throated Hummingbird
Third Place, Ona Kypta, Garfield Elementary, Osprey; Owen Rogers, Jacoby Creek, Bald Eagle
Honorable Mentions: Sophie Adams, Northern United Charters, Snowy Plover; Joah Nicely Alfaro, Fuente Nueva Charter, Peregrine Falcon; Aiden Salter, Northern United Charters, Bullock’s Oriole; Cully Stack, Northern United Charter-Willow Creek, Bushtit; Jordan O’Connor, Fieldbrook Elementary, Bald Eagle
(From top) Iver Vu; Kira Osbourne; Wren Pittman.

(From top) Aurelia Fosnaugh; Ona Kypta; Owen Rogers.
(Left, from top) Sophie Adams; Joah Nicely Alfaro; Aiden Salters. (Right, from top) Cully Stack; Jordan O’Connor.

Grade 3 award winners. Photo by Paul Johnson.
Grade 3

First Place, Anika Terry, Garfield Elementary, Black-crowned Night-Heron; Penn Kerhoulas, Garfield Elementary, California Quail

Second Place, Heidi Tout, Garfield Elementary, Steller’s Jay; Madden McCall, Northern United Charters, American Avocet

Third Place, Michael Mead, Loleta Elementary, Bald Eagle; Bernardo Freitas, Northern United Charters, American Kestrel

Honorable Mentions: Riley Lawler, Fieldbrook Elementary, Peregrine Falcon; Raven Lovejoy, Seaforth Montessori, Northern Flicker; Calvin Angleton, Garfield Elementary, Tufted Puffin; Maelyn Hernandez-Hernandez, Morris Elementary, Spotted Owl; Doc Strong, Coastal Grove Charter, Rock Wren

(From top) Anika Terry; Penn Kerhoulas; Heidi Tout.

(From top) Madden McCall; Michael Mead; Bernardo Freitas.
(Left, from top) Calvin Angleton; Doc Strong; Riley Lawler. (Right, from top) Maelyn Hernandez-Hernandez; Raven Lovejoy.
Grade 4

First Place, Ayla Dunn, Union Street Charter, Chestnut-backed Chickadee; First Place, Teus Kypta, Garfield Elementary, Peregrine Falcon

Second Place, Ginger Larsen, Union Street Charter, Great Blue Heron; Ezekiel Giordano, Home Schooled, Black-crowned Night-Heron

Third Place, Maeve Warburton, Fuente Nueva Charter, Steller’s Jay; LaRuca Fleming, Union Street Charter, Steller’s Jay

Honorable Mentions: Zane Niehaus, Fieldbrook Elementary, Red-shouldered Hawk; Lili Kibbe, Garfield Elementary, Snowy Plover; Adelia Olson, Fuente Nueva Charter, Anna’s Hummingbird; Maya Losh, Union Street Charter, Great Egret; Kennedy Howard, Morris Elementary, Belted Kingfisher; Hadley Johnson, Pacific View Charter, Burrowing Owl; Tanner Baxter, Fieldbrook Elementary, Varied Thrush

(Left, from top) Ayla Dunn; Ginger Larsen.
(Right) Teus Kypta.
(Left, from top) Ezekiel Giordano; Maeve Warburton; LaRuca Fleming.
(Right, from top) Zane Niehaus; Lili Kibbe; Adelia Olson.
(From top) Maya Losh; Kennedy Howard.

(From top) Hadley Johnson; Tanner Baxter.

Grades 5&6 award winners. Photo by Paul Johnson.
**Grades 5&6**

First Place, Tadeus Furaha, Coastal Grove Charter, Snowy Egret; Elianna Emery, Agnes Johnson Charter, Northern Flicker

Second Place, Allison Thompson, Sunny Brae Middle School, Steller’s Jay; Alysse Gildea, Jacoby Creek, Great Blue Heron

Third Place, Irena Fugate, Northern United Charters, White-tailed Kite; Levi Duhem, Aldergrove Charter, Chestnut-backed Chickadee

Honorable Mentions: Aria Belli, Ferndale Elementary, American Crow; Alec Wray, Northern United Charters, Tufted Puffin; Thea McKnight, Coastal Grove Charter, Barn Swallow; Cianna Pace, Northern United Charter-Willow Creek, Red-tailed Hawk; Ender Guthrie, Fuente Nueva Charter, American Goldfinch; Kaya Goff, Whitethorn Elementary, Anna’s Hummingbird

(Left, from top) Tadeus Furaha; Elianna Emery. (Right, from top) Allison Thompson; Alysse Gildea.
(Left, from top) Irena Fugate; Levi Duham; Alec Wray. (Right, from top) Thea McKnight; Cianna Pace; Aria Belli.
Ender Guthrie.

Kaya Goff.

Grade 7 award winner. Photo by Paul Johnson.

**Grade 7**

First Place, Maysa Coelho, Agnes Johnson Charter, Cliff Swallow
Second Place, Brylee Mullaney, Miranda Junior High, Pileated Woodpeckers
Third Place, Kyle Cox, Stanwood Murphy Elementary, Mallard
Honorable Mentions: Clarisse Behling, Sunny Brae Middle School, Cedar Waxwing; Sky Paz, Sunny Brae Middle School, Anna’s Hummingbird; Evie Herrera, Pacific Union, Anna’s Hummingbird

(Left) Maysa Coelho. (Right) Brylee Mullaney.
Grade 8 award winners. Photo by Paul Johnson.

Grade 8
First Place, Mariia Vasileva, Sunny Brae Middle School, Belted Kingfisher
Second Place, Julia Brands, Pacific Union, Great Blue Heron
Third Place, Alysianna Fouquette, Stanwood Murphy Elementary, Little Bunting
Honorable Mentions: Kimberley Barreto, Stanwood Murphy Elementary, Anna’s Hummingbird; Kegan Ingallina, Fortuna Junior Academy, American Avocets; Luenvia Aguilar, Fortuna Middle School, Cedar Waxwing; Emileigh Schmidt, Stanwood Murphy Elementary, White-tailed Kite
(Left, from top) Mariia Vasileva; Julia Brands; Kimberley Barreto. (Right, from top) Alysanna Fouquette; Kegan Ingallina; Lluvia Aguilar; Emileigh Schmidt.
Grades 9-12
First Place, Muhammad (Sultan) Sholahudin, Eureka High, Great Blue Heron
Second Place, Maggie Odell, Eureka High, American Wigeon
Third Place, Evie Dowd, Northern United Charter, Bufflehead
Honorable Mentions: Keani Pele Young, Arcata High, Marbled Godwits; Malia Stafslien, South Fork High, Anna’s Hummingbird; Hannah Webb, Eureka High, Varied Thrush; Iris Hahner, Academy of the Redwoods, Yellow-breasted Chat; October Mintey, Arcata High, Great Egret

(Left, from top) Muhammad Sholahudin; Maggie Odell. (Right, from top) Evie Dowd; October Mintey.
Best Bird in Habitat Awards
Margot Nims, Grade 3, Garfield Elementary, Spotted Owl; Mia Hong-Novotney, Grade 4, Fuente Nueva Charter, Barred Owl; Zeno Fosnaugh, Grades 5&6, Northern United Charters, Cedar Waxwing; Emma Ayres, Grades 5&6, Garfield Elementary, Marsh Wren; Arianna Benitez, Grades 9-12, Aldergrove Charter, Pileated Woodpecker

Best Bird in Habitat award winners. Photo by Paul Johnson.
(Left, from top) Margot Nims; Mia Hong-Novotney.
(Right, from top) Zeno Fosnaugh; Emma Ayres;
Arianna Benitez.