



## 2024 Cambridge City Nature Art Challenge Entry Form

*The Cambridge City Nature Art Challenge (CCNAC) is co-sponsored by two nonprofit organizations, Green Cambridge and Cambridge Local First. Email [wildlifearts@greencambridge.org](mailto:wildlifearts@greencambridge.org) with any questions about the challenge.*

Please complete all parts of this form and sign below:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name of parent/legal guardian) am the parent/legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ (print student's name).

I grant permission for my student to participate in the 2024 Cambridge City Nature Art Challenge. I grant permission for the Cambridge Public Schools, through my student's teacher, to enter my student's artwork into the Cambridge City Nature Art Challenge and to provide my student's first name, last initial, grade level and school name and email address and the parent/guardian's name, email address, mailing address in connection with such entry. I have been provided with the Cambridge City Nature Art Challenge Guidelines on page 2 of this form. I grant permission to Green Cambridge, the Cambridge Public Schools, and Cambridge Local First for my student's first name, last initial, grade level and school name to be published along with their entry.

***All fields must be completed for the student's entry to be eligible.***

Parent/Legal Guardian First + Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's School: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's mailing or delivery address, if different from school (To be used only if needed for winners' prize and poster delivery.) \_\_\_\_\_

## 2024 Cambridge City Nature Art Challenge (CCNAC) Rules / Guidelines

NO PURCHASE OR PAYMENT NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. PROMOTION: The two nonprofit organizations that co-sponsor the challenge, Green Cambridge and Cambridge Local First (“the sponsors”) are offering to eligible entrants, through this challenge, the chance to win gift certificates to local businesses. To be eligible, entrants (or their parent/legal guardian if they are a minor) must agree to these rules and guidelines. Entrants who are minors must have their parent’s/legal guardian’s permission to enter. By entering, entrants (or their parent/legal guardian if they are a minor) agree to comply with and be subject to these rules and guidelines.

1. ELIGIBILITY: The Cambridge City Nature Art Challenge is open only to students in Grades 1–8 in the 2023–24 school year and who also meet one of the following criteria: **A)** Student enrolled in Cambridge Public School; **B)** Cambridge resident enrolled in a charter school; **C)** Cambridge resident registered as a homeschooled student; or **D)** Non-Cambridge resident currently enrolled as a participant in an OST program at the Community Art Center, the Cambridge Community Center, East End House, Margaret Fuller House, or Baldwin Community. If the entrant is in category **D)**, Entry must be accompanied by a note documenting enrollment, signed by an OST program staff member.

2. ENTRY DEADLINE. **The deadline for all entries is May 3, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.** Entries will be accepted by U.S. mail, or through delivery arrangements made by Green Cambridge staff with teachers or after-school program staff.

3. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS: **A)** Artwork must be 2D work, no larger than 9 x 12”, using any media including digital media, collage, and original photography. **B)** Artwork must depict at least one wild species of organism, whether plant, animal, or fungi, that has been documented in Cambridge as a wild living organism on the citizen science platform iNaturalist.org. Only *wild, local* species with research-grade status on iNaturalist are accepted. Domesticated species, such as pets; captive animals; humans; cultivated plants; and houseplants are excluded as eligible subjects. Entries depicting these species will be automatically disqualified. **Photographs of qualifying subjects, for selection by the student artists as models and inspiration, may be found at <https://bit.ly/city-nature-art-challenge>.**

4. TO ENTER: Entries must include: **A)** Completed entry form, signed by a caregiver, and **B)** Student’s artwork. Student’s name may not appear on the front of artwork. Approval by parent/legal guardian will be needed in order for an entry to be valid and for prizes to be awarded. If mailing your entry, mail to: **Green Cambridge, 99 Bishop Allen Dr, Cambridge, MA 02139.**

Entry Conditions: All entries will be reviewed for parental/guardian consent, eligibility, completeness, and compliance with the rules and guidelines listed above before judging occurs. Any entrant whose Entry does not satisfy each of these requirements is ineligible. Entries must be the original work and wholly-owned property of the entrant and must not infringe on any third party’s rights.

BY SUBMITTING AN ENTRY, ENTRANT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE ENTRY MAY BE POSTED on the Cambridge Public Schools, GREEN CAMBRIDGE and CAMBRIDGE LOCAL FIRST WEBSITES, and any social media channels and other public displays of those three organizations. Submission of an entry grants sponsors the rights to publish and use the entry without requiring approval before or after from entrant, and without compensation or consideration to the entrant, whether or not such Entry is selected as a winning Entry.

Privacy Policy: By participating in the Contest, the entrant, and his or her parent or legal guardian if such applicant is a minor, hereby agree to our collection and usage of the applicant’s first name and last initial, grade, and name of school or Cambridge OST program. Further, the entrant hereby agrees to Submission Platform’s collection and usage of their personal contact information, which includes the entrant’s email address and/or parent/guardian’s name and email address, and mailing address, for the sole purpose of acknowledging the entry, informing entrants of the winners, and mailing or delivering prizes.

5. PRIZES: Grades 1–5. Two (2) entries per grade will be selected as winners. Prizes will be a \$30 gift card to a local business. Grades 6–8. Entries from these 3 grades will be pooled and two (2) entries will be selected as winners by the judge for this category. Each prize in this age category will be a \$30 gift card to a local business.

6. WINNER SELECTION: All entries will be judged blind. Entries from students in Grades 1–5 and Grades 6–8 will be judged by two separate judges. Winners will be announced no later than July 15, 2024.

7. PUBLICITY: By accepting a prize, winners (or winners’ parent/legal guardian, if winner is a minor) grant permission for sponsors and those acting under their authority to use the winner’s artwork, first name, last initial, grade, and school or OST program.