

7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL

# YOUTH ART CONTEST

## WHAT: California Invasive Species Action Week Youth Art contest

Invasive species are organisms that are not native to an environment, and that once introduced, establish, quickly reproduce and spread, and cause harm to the environment, economy, or humans. Invasive species spread in various ways, including attaching to clothing or vehicles, or pets released by owners. Everyone can be a “Habitat Hero” and protect California by taking actions to stop invasive species from spreading.

Create an original piece showing the actions a “Habitat Hero” can take to protect your community by stopping the spread of invasive species. Examples include: a poster encouraging pet owners not to release pets; a public service announcement on a particular species; a video or brochure with instructions for cleaning your boats, boots, or gear. Be creative!

## WHEN: Deadline for submission May 1, 2020

All types of media are welcome and encouraged: drawings, paintings, animations, comic strips, videos, audio – send it all! If you can't send the entry itself (such as a sculpture or diorama), send us a photo.

**WHO:** Entries will be placed into three grade divisions (2 – 4, 5 – 8, 9 – 12) and the top 3 winners will be selected from each division. One contestant will be selected by Department of Fish and Wildlife staff to receive the Invasive Species Program Choice Award.

**THEME: BE A HABITAT HERO! STOP INVASIVE SPECIES.**

## SEND ENTRIES TO:

CDFW Invasive Species Program  
P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 94244-2090  
Invasives@wildlife.ca.gov

## MORE INFO: [www.wildlife.ca.gov/CISAW](http://www.wildlife.ca.gov/CISAW)

Visit the youth art contest web page for entry forms and more info.



Jude Dellinger,  
2nd Place, Grades 2-4 (2019)



Valentin Nguyen  
1st Place, Grades 9-12 (2018)



Summer Knight  
2nd Place, Grades 9-12 (2017)