

As our society becomes more urbanized, humans have fewer opportunities to interact directly with nature. Television, movies, art and photography have become crucial links that connect us to the natural world. Through media and the visual arts, conservationists alert us to today's important environmental issues. They help us develop a greater understanding of the complex relationships upon which all life depends.

### **About the Sutton Center.**

The George Miksch Sutton Avian Research Center is a nationally-renowned, non-

profit organization, whose mission is to "find cooperative conservation solutions for birds and the natural world through science and education."

The Sutton Avian Research Center admires and has honored talented, professional conservationists who capture the beauty of our planet with film, photos, art and music, and then bring it into our classrooms and living rooms for our appreciation, enjoyment and education.

In 2018, for the fourteenth time, the Sutton Avian Research Center in partnership with NatureWorks and other sponsors, will honor talented high school students for excellence in conservation communication. Selected instructors of winning students will also be honored.

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### About the Sutton Award.

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The Sutton Award recognizes high school students, grades ten through twelve, who demonstrate the ability to communicate current conservation topics in compelling ways.

> The Sutton Award is comprised of up to \$20,000 in cash to be distributed among students, and among selected instructors of winning students as determined by the selection committee.

### **Eligibility**.

- 1. Student must be in tenth, eleventh, or twelfth grade.
- 2. Student must be attending school (public, private or home-school) in the state of Oklahoma.
- 3. Student must not be an employee or an immediate family member of an employee of the Sutton Center.

### WITH GENEROUS ASSISTANCE FROM SUTTON'S PARTNERS IN CONSERVATION.

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The Sutton Center has been featured in dozens of regional, national, and international publications.

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### **Application Requirements.**

1. Create and submit a presentation piece that tells an intriguing story about a current conservation topic, such as water, air or soil quality, or wildlife conservation. The project should specifically focus on your personal interest and/or involvement in conservation; (This accounts for twothirds of total score.)

Choose ONE of the following format categories for your presentation: (All pieces, to which it would apply, must be matted in black before submitting.)
a. Fine Art -May be a drawing, painting, sculpture or mixed media.
b. Photo Essay -Photographs (1-12) mounted suitably for presentation.
c. Advertisement -May be a poster or other medium. (No videos).

3. Include a brief but detailed Project Essay (one page) which explains why you chose your subject, describes the project and explains what impact, if any, your project may have on conservation. (This accounts for one-third of total score.)

4. Complete the attached official scholarship application and include it with your entry. Entries will be judged both on the presentation piece (two-thirds) and the project essay (one-third).

5. The essay and a photo of your entry will be submitted online. Online submission is open January 1 - 10. For more information on submitting your entry please visit www.suttoncenter.org/art or thehivejenks.com Online entries not received by January 10 will not be considered for the show.

### **Selection Process.**

- 1. Submit your presentation piece and your official scholarship entry form to:
  - The Hive Jenks 115 South First St. Jenks, OK 74037 Tel: 918-299-5005

Your art entry may be received: Friday, January 12, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 13, 2018 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

ADDITIONAL DROP OFF POINT FOR STUDENTS IN THE OKC AREA:

> Oklahoma Center for Arts Education University of Central Oklahoma 100 N. University Drive, Evans Hall Edmond, OK 73034 Tel: 405-974-3754 Website: www.ocae.net

Your art entry may be received: Saturday January 13, 2018 10:00 a.m - 4:00 p.m

2. Entries will be reviewed by a selection committee made up of representatives from NatureWorks, Philbrook Museum of Art, the Sutton Avian Research Center and informed corporate representatives.

**3.** Entries will be evaluated based on their power to effectively communicate a current conservation issue.

4. The selection committee will announce the winners on February 3, 2018 at The Hive Jenks reception. Winners will be invited to attend opening ceremonies at the NatureWorks Art Show and Sale 2018.

The committee's decisions are final and no correspondence will be exchanged.

### **Award Conditions.**

1. Winners must agree to publication of their likenesses and names for promotional and publicity purposes. By submitting an entry, applicants authorize the Sutton Avian Research Center to use all materials in future promotional and educational publications or for other purposes as required, without further compensation.

 All Tulsa drop off entries must be picked up on February 5, 2018 from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at:

> The Hive Jenks 115 South First St. Jenks, OK 74037 Tel: 918-301-2718

All OKC area drop off entries must be picked up on February 10, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at:

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3. The Sutton Avian Research Center, selection committee and/or sponsors will not be held liable for any loss or damage to entries.

For more information, go to:

www.suttoncenter.org/art or www.natureworks.org or call: Audra Fogle Sutton Avian Research Center Office: 918-336-7778 or Cell: 918-408-1128

This scholarship information and entry form may be found at www.suttoncenter.org/art



# 2018 Scholarship Form

## **Description of entry (including medium):**

## **Entrant Information**

Full Name:	 	
Project Title/Medium:		
Home Address:		
City:	ZIP:	
Home Phone: ( )		
E-mail Address:	 	
School:		
Principal's Name:		
School Phone: ( )		

## To be completed by the entrant's teacher (or if home-schooled, by parent)

I declare that the work for this entry was completed by the entrant.

Phone:
E-mail Address:
Signature:

### **Prizes**

Awards totaling as much as \$20,000 are available to students and their teachers as determined by the selection committee.

## To be complete, your entry must include:

- 1. This completed Application, signed by your teacher (or if home-schooled, by your parent)
- 2. Your Presentation Piece that falls into one of the listed Categories (2/3 Credit)
- 3. Your typed Project Essay (1/3 Credit) (not to exceed one page)
- 4. Your **online submission** of a photo of your Presentation Piece and your essay by the January 1-10 deadline. Please visit www.suttoncenter.org/art or thehivejenks.com for the online submission opening on January 1.

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