National Estuaries Week

Photo Contest 2015: Winners and Honorable Mentions

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Congratulations to the 2015 National Estuaries Week photo contest winners! Winning photos were selected from over 130 submissions, and several honorable mentions were also chosen and are listed at the bottom of the page. Thank you to all our reserve photographers. Keep an eye on social media or visit our photo gallery to see even more of the submissions.

Creepers

Emily Woodward. Fiddler crab in North Carolina Reserve

Jace Tunnell. American alligator at Mission-Aransas Reserve in Texas
Fliers


Caitlin M. Snyder. Dragonfly in the marshes at Apalachicola Reserve in Florida

Swimmers

Emily Woodward. Loggerhead hatchling at North Carolina Reserve
Coreen Weilminster, “Done for the Day.” Waders at Chesapeake Bay Reserve in Maryland

Rebecca Zeiber. Oyster restoration in Great Bay Reserve in New Hampshire

Jace Tunnell, Squid observation at Mission-Aransas Reserve in Texas

Caitlin M. Snyder, Hiking on St. George Island State Park in Apalachicola Reserve in Florida
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Vistas

Lucy Jacobson. Heron Bayou, Grand Bay Reserve in Mississippi

Gene Wright. Observation deck in winter at Old Woman Creek Reserve in Ohio

Miscellaneous

Caitlin M. Snyder. Ferns in Apalachicola Reserve in Florida
Honorable Mentions

Caitlin M. Snyder. Oyster ladders at Apalachicola Reserve in Florida

Jace Tunnell. Blue crab on a dock in Mission-Aransas Reserve in Texas

Gene Wright, “Babies First Day at the Beach.” Beach at Old Woman Creek Reserve in Ohio

Caitlin M. Snyder. Green sea turtle hatchling in Apalachicola Reserve in Florida
Rebecca Zeiber. Learning about water quality in Great Bay Reserve in New Hampshire

Jace Tunnell. Estuarine animal education at Mission-Aransas Reserve in Texas

Jennifer Buchiet, “Mouth Open.” Exchange between Lake Erie and Old Woman Creek – Old Woman Creek Reserve in Ohio

Coreen Weilminster, “Little Monie Reflections.” Calm waters in tidal creeks – Chesapeake Bay Reserve in Maryland
Lucy Jacobson. Waterlily in Grand Bay Reserve in Mississippi

Sandy Wright. American lotus at Old Woman Creek Reserve in Ohio

Emily Woodward. Loggerhead hatchling in North Carolina Reserve

Rutger Hagan, “Not All Lizards Have Legs.” Lizard fish in Jacques Cousteau Reserve in New Jersey