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## DUCK STAMP TO FEATURE CINNAMON TEAL

The 1971-72 Federal Duck Stamp will bear the likeness of three cinnamon teal, the Interior Department's Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife announced today. The winning entry, a full color wash drawing, was created by artist Maynard Reece of Des Moines, Iowa.

Bureau officials said 191 entries were received in the 22nd Federal Duck Stamp Contest. Selection was based on anatomical accuracy, artistic composition, and suitability for engraving. The winner receives no financial prize--just the honor and recognition of having his drawing appear on the duck stamp.

The cinnamon teal, commonly found in the western United States, is one of three species of teal. It never before has appeared on the duck stamp.

Judges were Larry Jahn of the Wildlife Management Institute, Fred Evenden of the Wildlife Society, Tom Kimball of the National Wildlife Federation, Carl Scheele of the Smithsonian Institution, and Reuben Barrick of the Treasury Department's Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

This is the fifth time that Reece, a wildlife artist of national repute, has won the contest.

David A. Maass of Owatonna, Minnesota, was second in this year's competition with a cinnamon teal drawing, and Reece was third with his painting of black-bellied tree ducks.

A new duck stamp is issued each year by the U.S. Postal Service. The 1971-72 stamp will go on sale July 1, 1971, and will be valid through June 1972. Every migratory-waterfowl hunter 16 years of age or older must purchase this \$3 stamp with a State hunting license. All revenue from duck stamps, except the cost of printing and distribution, is used for acquisition of wetlands for waterfowl.

Artists from 32 States and the District of Columbia competed in this year's contest. Minnesota had the most entries--24. Pennsylvania was second with 19.

Edward Bierly of Lorton, Virginia, designed the current stamp, which features Ross' geese. Information on other designs since the stamps were first issued in 1934 is contained in "Duck Stamp Data," a publication available for 30 cents from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

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Glossy prints of the winning design are available to editors only from the Office of Conservation Education, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240