2023 Poster Contest Winners "Rediscovering the Great Outdoors"





Livia Corbitt - As quarantine came to a close, my family and I did many different outdoor activities together, all while rediscovering the beauty of nature. This cartoon illustration depicts a brisk run down a local nature reserve trail, taking in the sights of the surrounding trees, and finally feeling the sunlight again. Although I made this illustration with a self portrait in mind, I believe the character could represent any of us (quite literally) running away from the digital restraints quarantine had placed upon us, and finally realizing we can be free to explore again. I believe by simply being exposed to fresh air, whether it be running, biking, or hunting, can remind one of the wonders of the outdoors, and that there is so much more to the world than we once thought.

Bekah Pardoe - For the topic, "Rediscovering the Outdoors," I chose fishing. Over the past 2 years, I have been fishing a lot. Not only that, we also hike to the fishing spot, so that is two in one!

For the question, "Were these things new to you?," I

went fishing quite a bit before, but I feel as this pandemic hit, I started to more. For the art itself, I tried to show a large fish as an accent point. The details show the large fish I try to catch. The white around the fish represents water, which shows action and movement. The background of the poster, included me (The girl), My dad (The man in the water), and my brother (The one sitting on the fallen tree). I made very large trees to convey how magical it feels on the trail. In all I think the setting is pretty accurate, and the fish (A bass) may be a species we see there, along with trout, chubs, and bluegills. My point is, during quarantine, I did many things, but one of the best highlights was fishing.



Isabel Berrios - When I look out my window, I see a world. A world full of sights to see, and things to do. During the autumn season though, I see animals, trees, and other wildlife. I love to be outside at this time of year, but I also love to draw what I see. In my poster, I included a small Deer family, and a squirrel, which are two common animals to see at this time of year. I included plenty of grass in different shades of green, and also a lot of pine trees. Finally, I choose to paint a sunset in the remaining space of the poster.



