

First Place in the 6 & Under Category: Marcus, Age 6 of Saskatoon. "Crocuses at Sunset"



Winner of the 7-10 Age Category: Mia, Age 10 of James Hamblin School "Monarch Butterfly"



Runner-Up of the 7-10 Age Category: Amelia Hanstock, Age 10, of Assiniboia, SK. "Ferret at Twilight and Yellow-bellied Racer"



Winner of the 11 and Up Category: Darci Eglund, Age 15 of Eastend, SK



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The Sage Grouse

The Sage Grouse is a type of bird that is under threat. In recent years the habitat of the Sage Grouse has declined. In 2012, it was estimated that the Sage Grouse population had declined by 98% in Saskatchewan. The development of oil rigs, changing prairie into farmland, and climate change have contributed to the loss of habitat for the Sage Grouse. Some things that could be done to protect the Sage Grouse would be to create a land reserve for these animals so they can't be disturbed by humans. Another thing we could do could be to raise awareness for these endangered prairie animals by teaching more people about them. If people know more about these animals, they will hopefully find great ways to keep them alive.

Runner-up of the 11 and Up Category: Jorja Ciocia, Age 13 of Assiniboia, SK.



Message:

“Protect the Prairies! When it comes to saving prairie life, there is lots you can do to help. Some simple things like respecting protected grounds, leaving nature be as its intended (on reserves, etc.) and making sure your trash/recyclables end up in the correct places. If you really feel like it, you could even donate to wildlife campaigns. But it truly is easy to respect nature, so do it!