

CAPITOL EVENTS

OFFICE OF THE CAPITOL COMMISSION

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

2011

August 17	Governor's Proclamation Signing	10:30 am	Warner Chamber
September 5	State Holiday Labor Day	10:00 am	Capitol Open
September 13	Governor's Proclamation Signing	2:00 pm	Warner Chamber
September 16	Ceremony Hispanic Heritage Month Commemoration sponsored by Latino American Commission	11:45 a.m.	2nd Floor Rotunda
September 18	Rally 2011 Recovery Rally sponsored by Nebraska Recovery Network	Noon	North Plaza
September 19- October 3	Display Junior Duck Stamp Exhibit sponsored by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	All Week	1st Floor Rotunda
September 19- 26	Display Alzheimer's Awareness sponsored Alzheimer's Association Great Plains Chapter	All Week	1st Floor Rotunda
September 20	Ceremony Bar Induction for Attorneys sponsored by Nebraska Supreme Court	10:00 a.m.	2nd Floor Rotunda
September 21	Tower Lighting World Alzheimer's Day sponsored Alzheimer's Association Great Plains Chapter	Evening	Tower
September 29	Ceremony NDCS Annual Awards Ceremony sponsored by Nebraska Department of Correctional Services	2:00 p.m.	2nd Floor Rotunda



The Junior Duck Stamp Program is an arts curriculum that teaches wetlands and waterfowl conservation to kindergarten through high school students. The program incorporates science and wildlife management principles in a visual arts curriculum with participants completing a stamp design as their visual "term paper". Over 28,000 students participate annually in the program nationwide, hundreds of thousands of students have been educated on the importance of waterfowl and wetlands since the enactment of the 1994 legislation. The Junior Duck Stamp contest begins each spring when students submit artwork in a state contest. Students are judged in four grade level groups: K-3, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12. Three first, second and third place entries are selected and a "Best of Show" is selected by judges from the twelve first-place winners regardless of grade. Each state's Best of Show is then entered in the national Junior Duck Stamp Contest. The first place design from the national contest is used to create a Junior Duck Stamp for the following year. Junior Duck Stamps are sold by the U.S. Postal Service for \$5 per stamp. Proceeds from the sale of the Stamp support conservation education, and provide awards and scholarships for those participating in the program.

The Mallard above is one of the 28 native animals represented in the Vestibule mosaics.