

# HAWAII WILDLIFE CONSERVATION STAMP CONTEST

## 2020-21 ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Forestry and Wildlife is seeking entries in an art contest to depict a Game Mammal and Game Bird for its 2020 – 2021 Hawaii Wildlife Conservation and Game Bird Stamp. The conservation stamp is required on the Hawaii State hunting license, and the game bird hunting stamp is required for those intending to hunt game birds. Both stamps (differing slightly in text) will be available to wildlife stamp collectors. Please note the following about this year's contest.

- SUBJECT:** Spotted Dove (*Streptopelia chinensis*) (Occurs on all main islands)  
Columbian Black-Tailed Deer (*Odocoileus hemionus columbianus*)  
(Occurs on Kauai)
- SETTING:** Hawaii Habitat
- SIZE:** Completed painting with a maximum of 24" by 36" and unframed (to be reduced to 1" X 1.5" stamp)
- MEDIUM:** Oil or acrylic
- ENTRY:** Completed oil or acrylic painting or an 8.5" X 11" photo/print/photocopy of a completed painting
- DEADLINE:** All entries must be received by February 5, 2020. Notification of the winner will be made on February 12, 2020.
- SHIPPING FEE:** All paintings sent must be accompanied by a \$35.00 fee, to cover the cost of returning artwork. If a check is not included you will need to come to the Administration office to pick up your artwork. Checks are to be made payable to the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Otherwise, a photo, print, or photocopy of an original painting may be sent with no fee (see application form).
- PAYMENTS:** The winner will receive a maximum award of \$1,000.

### Background

Funds from sales of the Hawaii Wildlife Conservation Stamps go into the state Wildlife Revolving Fund to support wildlife populations and habitat, and to manage hunting in the state. Activities and projects supported by this fund have included surveys of game bird and mammal populations; land leasing for hunting; predator control; and maintenance of wildlife watering units. In addition, planting of native shrubs and trees, controlled burns, removal of invasive

plants, and other wildlife habitat improvement and restoration projects are supported by these funds.

Last year revenues from the Conservation Stamp and the Game Bird Stamp were used to cover some of the costs of maintaining hunting units and to add game bird and game mammal hunting opportunities where possible. Funding helped pay for facility development, game mammal and game bird surveys, management of hunts, signage, paying commissions to vendors for the sales of hunting licenses, supplement game bird populations in new areas, to implement food crop plantings for game birds, to mow grasses and weeds to allow hunting, and to control predators like mongooses, rats, and feral cats, while proceeds from the sales of conservation stamp will also provide the funds for the annual lease rental of the Lanai Cooperative Game Management Area and several other hunting unit leases.

### **Subject for this year's stamps**

Columbian Black-tailed Deer: The Columbian Black-tailed deer, which is a sub-species of the mule deer, currently occupy coastal woodlands within the Pacific Northwest of North America and was introduced to the island of Kauai in 1961 from Oregon by the State of Hawaii Fish and Game Division.

Spotted Dove: This bird is a small, long-tailed pigeon with a white-spotted black collar patch and is a common resident breeding bird across its native range on the Indian subcontinent and Southeast Asia. The Spotted Dove has been introduced into many parts of the world. This bird is found in light forests and gardens as well as urban areas. This species was introduced to the Hawaiian Islands in the late 1800's from Southeast Asia and has been used as a gamebird for many generations.

### **Additional Resources**

Copies of this announcement and the application form are available upon request, from the Division of Forestry and Wildlife, 1151 Punchbowl St., Room 325, Honolulu, HI 96813. For questions regarding the contest or to obtain an application please email: Jason.D.Omick@hawaii.gov or call to (808) 587-4159.

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