

**GENERAL GUIDELINES AND SUGGESTIONS**  
for  
**Future illustrations for the East Haddam Land Trust calendar**

1. READ THE ENTRY FORM GUIDELINES.
2. Important: Choose plants or animals found wild in East Haddam.
3. Submit a completed entry form on the back of each illustration. Write clearly. Submit the form with the illustration.
4. Please choose plants as well as animals for subject material.
5. Include winter subjects as well as warm weather subjects.
6. Look at details to emphasize scientific accuracy to all drawings.
7. Common organisms, rather than rare ones, are preferable. The lists of plants and animals includes only common names of common plants and animals found in East Haddam. The lists are undoubtedly incomplete, but there is plenty to choose from.
8. When naming the organism on the entry form, be specific. Do not use cutsie titles. Call a robin a "Robin;" not, for example, "It's a beautiful spring morning" or "Looking for worms." Call a painted turtle a "Painted turtle," not "turtle."
9. If an artist chooses not to be part of the art contest, write that in red ink on the entry form.
10. The calendar has multiple purposes, including being an informative teaching publication. Feel free to use creative license. Examples: Instead of a single hummingbird, show the bird at a jewelweed flower or cardinal flower; show seeds blowing from a dandelion; indicate a comparison between leaves of a white oak, a black oak, or a red oak....and the differences in their acorns too; show the metamorphosis of a monarch butterfly, a dragonfly, or a frog or a toad. etc, etc. etc.
11. DEADLINE: THE LAST DAY OF FEBRUARY.
12. To have original illustrations returned, please include an addressed envelope and sufficient postage to cover mailing costs.
12. Questions? Call Martha McLaud Tonucci at 873-9187.