

2005 NJ Duck Stamp Print

The New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife's Waterfowl Stamp Advisory Committee is proud to announce its 22nd Edition Waterfowl Stamp painted by artist, Phillip Crowe. New Jersey decoy carver, Paul Dobrosky, carved the canvasback decoy depicted in the painting. This 22nd edition is the third in the Retriever puppy series. The twenty-second waterfowl stamp and print features the Chesapeake Bay Retriever puppy. The Chesapeake Bay Retriever descended from two-shipwrecked Newfoundland's off the coast of Maryland. The shipwrecked Newfoundland's were bred with local retrievers and a new breed was developed. The new breed was named for the Chesapeake Bay in Maryland. The Chesapeake Bay Retriever comes in colors of dead grass, sedge or any shade of brown. Their yellow-amber eyes are a unique characteristic to this breed. They have an extraordinary ability to remember where birds fall, therefore, are great duck retrievers. This breed has also been known to rescue children that are in trouble in the water.

About the Artist



Phillip Crowe attended Ringling School of Art in Sarasota, Florida. It was this great learning experience that laid the groundwork for Crowe's love of painting. He has dedicated his time and art to various organizations for the community and preservation of wildlife that he loves. He has raised through his art millions of dollars for organizations such as: Ducks Unlimited, Quail Unlimited, the National Wild Turkey Federation, the Nature Conservancy, as well as many state and wildlife agencies. Also by donating his time at charity events, such as the Louise Mandrell Celebrity Shoot, he has helped raise money for the Boy Scouts of America, and the Ruffed Grouse Society for the environment.

About the Carver



Paul Dobrosky is an avid waterfowl hunter and began carving 30 years ago. He is widely recognized for his knowledge of waterfowl and decoys and has been selected to judge at numerous shows throughout the country. Mr. Dobrosky has had blue-ribbon winners in some of the most prestigious shows in the United States and Canada. In 1980, 1981 and 1984, he was awarded "Best of Show" in the Ward Foundation World Championship "Lem and Steve Ward Shootin' Stool". He is an officer and instructor with the New Jersey Waterfowlers Association's young waterfowl program. He also holds the position of Vice-President with the New Jersey Wildlife Carving Club.

The Program

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish and Wildlife administers the New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp Program for the purpose of purchasing wetlands for waterfowl habitat. Proceeds from the sale of New Jersey's Duck Stamps and Prints total over \$3,925,000 to date, all to acquire wetlands for waterfowl habitat and public use. The New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp Advisory Committee has committed to the purchase of over 13,000 acres of waterfowl habitat. The committee has also been and will continue to be involved with the enhancement of thousands of additional acres for the benefit of wildlife.

Limited edition, signed and numbered prints of the 22nd New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp may be purchased directly from the Division of Fish and Wildlife. You may visit us on the web at www.njfishandwildlife.com to see our other products.