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## Community Foundation of Jackson Hole Announces Old Bill's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary T-shirt Design Contest Winners and Finalists

Jackson, WY – In celebration of the Old Bill's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year, the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole announces the winners and finalists of the T-shirt Design Contest.

Artists of all ages were invited to submit original designs that capture the magic of Old Bill's – 30 years of joy, playfulness, inclusion, and community spirit. Winning artists will receive a **\$500 donation** made in their name to a participating Old Bill's nonprofit of their choice, and selected finalists will receive a **\$100 donation** to a participating Old Bill's nonprofit of their choice.

"We were so impressed by what our community dreamed up," said **Maeve Stewart**, Special Events Officer at the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole. "We received so many wonderful submissions – making the selection process both exciting and difficult. We had art teachers from Jackson Hole High School sharing Old Bill's inspired projects from their classrooms and hand drawn submissions delivered right to our office door. The creativity in this community is awesome."

### **General Contest – Winners:**

- Grace Peck – artist & creative educator, Little Scout Creative
- Bronwyn Minton – artist, guest curator with Jackson Hole Public Art

### **General Contest – Finalists:**

- Ben Paulson – student, Jackson Hole High School
- Wyatt Timboe – student, Jackson Hole High School

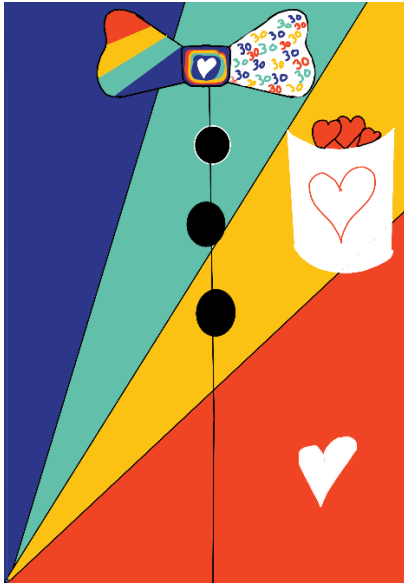
### **Youth Contest (12 & under) - Winner:**

- Yessi Hernandez-Gonzalez (11) – student, Jackson Hole Middle School

### **Youth Contest (12 & under) – Finalists:**

- Sophia Alessandro (8) – student, Colter Elementary

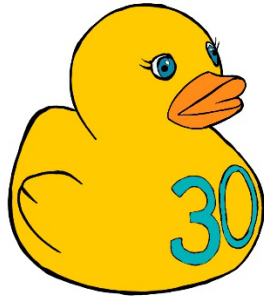
- Luke Alessandro (6) – student, Colter Elementary



*Youth Contest Winner, **Yessi Hernandez-Gonzalez**, will see her design on the Youth T-shirts during the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Old Bill's Giving Season.*



*General Contest Winner, **Grace Peck**, will have her design featured on the Adult T-shirts. She and her two children are excited to designate their \$500 donation to a participating nonprofit during the Giving Season.*



*General Contest Winner, **Bronwyn Minton**, borrowed one of the rubber ducks used in the Rubber Ducky Regatta to inspire her 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary submission. Minton will see her design featured on the Old Bill's baby onesies and toddler t-shirts.*

Local artists drew inspiration from their Jackson community, schools, nonprofits, and of course the Rubber Ducky Regatta and Old Bill's Fun Run. Youth Winner, **Yessi Hernandez-Gonzalez** was inspired by the colors of Old Bill's and its commitment to her community. Youth Finalists and brother and sister pair, **Sophia Alessandro** and **Luke Alessandro** wanted to capture the speed of the Old Bill's runners on Run Day using hand drawn cheetahs and lightning bolts in their respective submissions.

When asked about the inspiration behind her winning design, **Grace Peck** said, "I was fortunate enough to volunteer with Teton Adaptive last year for the Fun Run and was side by side with some of their participants during the race and at the finish line. I drew upon that experience while designing my submission for the contest, and hope that the artwork reflects the intersection of joy, inclusion, and community that I experienced last year!"

Free T-shirts will be available to the public at the Community Foundation's office at 145 E. Snow King Ave. on a first-come, first-served basis on the first day of the Giving Season, **Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>**.

### **About the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary T-Shirt Design Contest**

Each year, the Community Foundation designs an Old Bill's T-shirt and distributes it free of charge throughout the Old Bill's Giving Season. Over time, the Old Bill's T-

shirt has become an iconic symbol of the annual Fun Run and a beloved expression of community pride. To mark Old Bill's 30th anniversary, the Community Foundation opened the design process to the public for the first time.

### **About Old Bill's Fun Run**

One of the most innovative and successful philanthropic initiatives in the country, Old Bill's Fun Run began 30 years ago when a generous couple—fondly known as Mr. and Mrs. Old Bill—envisioned a collaborative fundraiser to support local nonprofits.

Since its inception, Old Bill's has generated over \$306 million for Teton County nonprofits. These funds support everything from feeding families and caring for the elderly to protecting wildlife and fostering arts and education.

Old Bill's is proudly administered by the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole. To learn more, visit [oldbills.org](http://oldbills.org).