



Bondar Challenge Artist's Statement

Name: Kaitlyn

Age: 9

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Title of My Photograph: *Golden Berries*

Weather: sunny

Location: Park

Ecozone: Mixwood Plains

Main Type of Biome: Mixed Forest

Camera Model: Fujifilm Finepix, handheld

Mode: Auto/Macro

Lens: Normal

Artist's Statement:

My focal point for this picture are the berries. They kind of look like tiny apples! I really like how some of them are a mixture of gold and red. I used the macro setting to get a close up of the berries. I wanted to be able to see all the little details in the berries and in the rotting leaves. It was a sunny day so the berries were shining. I followed the rule of thirds by placing my berries along the left side and the branch along the top.

When I look at my picture I wonder how the holes got in the leaves. Were they eaten by caterpillars? I'm also wondering what the black spots on the leaves are. Could they be rotting or getting fungus? Why are the berries two different colours? Are they not ripe yet?

I think the berries would be food for birds, but they might not be good for people! If I could change one thing about my photo I would remove the leaf that is hanging down over the berries because it is blocking the view.