

I have had an amazing experience competing in the master angler competition. Even though I didn't win, I learned a lot through my experience which is the most important. I learned about a new fish, the quillback carpsucker. The master angler program has made me learn how to fish for other species of fish I usually never even think about targeting, therefore this has turned me into a more complete angler. I want to thank my parents for supporting me and letting me travel places for my masters. The inland brown trout would have to be my favorite master angler from this season. I was trout fishing all day, probably put on 6 or so miles of hiking. We were sunked on the first 4 spots, not even a hit. I was so tired and frustrated at this point, I told my brothers the next stop, I'm just going to fish from the bridge. First cast the brown hit right away. I start screaming to my brother to get the net. I can see the fish below me as I stand on top of the bridge. At this moment I knew it was close to a master. I watched it wrap itself around a tree branch, I couldn't move the fish. Finally it unwraps itself and my brother was able to net it as it pops off in the net. This was an amazing experience that I was able to share with my brother that I will remember for the rest of my life.

I would like to thank the WIFA organization for everything they have done.

I also encourage everyone to participate in the master angler program as it will make you a better angler, teach you lessons, and create memories.

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