



2024 STUDENT ART CONTEST

BEING WATER WISE IS... | West Basin Municipal Water District

WHAT

The **new** theme of the 2024 Student Art Contest is "Being Water Wise Is...", which will inspire your students to learn about our precious and limited water resources while thinking of creative ways to promote water awareness and conservation.

WHO

Open to 3rd through 12th grade students attending schools located in West Basin's service area. Please visit the education page at www.westbasin.org/artcontest to download the school eligibility list, contest rules and student artwork submission form.

WHEN

All artwork submissions and completed entry forms must be **postmarked or emailed by 5:00PM on Friday, March 15, 2024.**

Entries can be mailed in before the deadline to:
West Basin Municipal Water District
Attn: Janel Ancayan
17140 S. Avalon Blvd.
Carson, CA 90746

Email: janela@westbasin.org
See contest guidelines for more information!

CONTEST DETAILS



Winners will be selected in April and will be contacted by email.

One grand prize will be awarded to an elementary, middle, and high school category winner. The grand prize will be an iPad, \$25 gift card for art apps, and a stylus. Up to four honorable mentions will be awarded in the same school categories. The honorable mention awardees will receive an iPad and a list of top 10 art apps to download.

Winning artwork may be reproduced on agency water conservation promotional materials during the year.

NEW: We will accept all art media: crayons, markers, pencils, paint, pastels, cut paper, fabric, computer generated artwork, and more.... **BE CREATIVE!!** Students are encouraged to depict wise uses of water in their daily lives.



BEING WATER WISE IS... Art Contest

PARTICIPATE NOW!

15 FREE APPLE iPADS WILL BE AWARDED!

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2024 STUDENT ART CONTEST ENTRY FORM

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STUDENT INFO

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____
School Name: _____ School Phone: _____
School District: _____ Submitting Agency: West Basin Municipal Water District
Teacher Name: _____ Teacher E-mail: _____

STUDENT ARTWORK RIGHTS/APPROVAL

All submissions become the property of West Basin Municipal Water District and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, and may or may not be returned. Both agencies have the right to use any submitted artwork and writings for promotional and educational use, including but not limited to display of the original or copies of a poster at exhibit events and reproduction of copies on promotional items as t-shirts, postcards, website, calendars, and book covers.

By signing this form, I agree to the terms and conditions above:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ Zip: _____
Email Address: _____

All Information is confidential and only used to contact art contest winners.

TEACHERS/PARENTS

Please tape or glue signed entry form to the back of each submitted artwork, or include signed copy when e-mailing submission.





2023 STUDENT ART CONTEST WINNERS

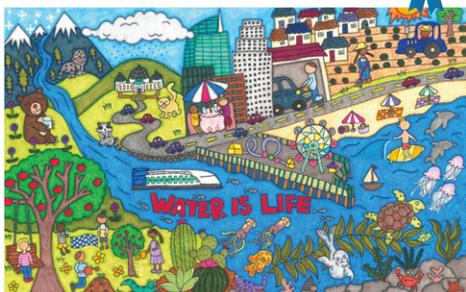
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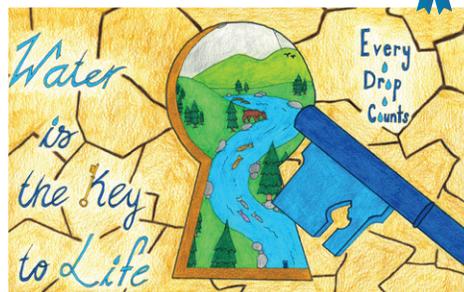
To download the 2024 contest rules and submission forms, visit the contest webpage at www.westbasin.org/artcontest

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRAND PRIZE AWARD



Dagny Tang
Grade 4
Montemalaga Elementary
Palos Verdes Estates

MIDDLE SCHOOL GRAND PRIZE AWARD



Dheekshana Kamalakannan
Grade 7
El Segundo Middle School
El Segundo

HIGH SCHOOL GRAND PRIZE AWARD



Ava Steins
Grade 10
Culver City High School
Culver City

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HONORABLE MENTIONS



Daniel Cornejo
Grade 4



Rue Hawkins
Grade 4



Erica De Los Santos
Grade 6



Jiayu Tang
Grade 7

HIGH SCHOOL HONORABLE MENTIONS



Yoomin (Kayla) Bae
Grade 9



Hibah Khan
Grade 10



Jessie Xu
Grade 5



Xander Phoun
Grade 5



Leila Medina
Grade 7



Chloe Moyer
Grade 8



Ashley Sanchez
Grade 12



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GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. Each artwork submission must identify a teacher sponsor, who will support the student's submission efforts. Artwork can be submitted via USPS or via e-mail.
2. NEW: All art media are eligible, including crayon, markers, pencils, paints, water colors, chalks, cut paper, or fabric. Computer-generated artwork, photography, 3D sculptures, etc. are also accepted.
3. 2D artwork must be on 8.5" X 11" or 12" X 18" WHITE poster board or WHITE drawing paper, with a one-inch white or blank border left on all four sides of the art, resulting in a final illustrated surface area of 6.5" X 9" or 10" X 16".
4. Artwork must be created by the student only and be age appropriate. No assistance from family members or friends is permitted.
5. Artwork must be drawn horizontally. Vertical artwork will not be accepted.
6. "Being Water Wise Is..." is the theme. A short water awareness or water conservation phrase must be written on the artwork.
7. Artwork should depict water conservation behavior or wise water use:
 - a. inside or outside of the home or school
 - b. in industries or businesses
 - c. in the environment (nature)
 - d. in agriculture
 - e. in recreation
 - f. in cleanliness/proper hygiene
8. Submissions with spelling errors and/or incorrect grammar will be disqualified.
9. Artwork must be ORIGINAL (no traced, trademarked, or copyrighted characters and slogans, e.g. Mickey Mouse, Sponge Bob, etc.). Also, no copy cat ideas of artwork from past years is allowed.
10. A participating student may win only one prize once in elementary school, once in middle school, and once in high school.
11. Immediate family members (children or grandchildren) of agency employees and contest sponsors are not eligible to participate.
12. Only one piece of art may be submitted for each student artist.

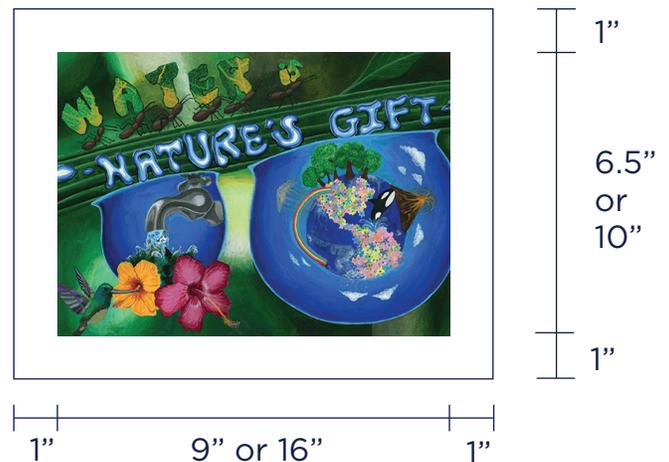
MAILED SUBMISSIONS

1. Mailed artwork must be sent in a flat, sturdy box or package. Please do not roll artwork into tubes or fold artwork since this damages entries for framing and reproduction purposes.
2. Each submitted entry MUST have a completed and signed entry form by parent/guardian taped or glued to the back of the artwork.

E-MAILED SUBMISSIONS

1. E-mailed artwork must be scanned at a high quality resolution (original photo size, 2MB or 300 dpi). Guardian/teacher may e-mail artwork submissions to janela@westbasin.org. Keep physical submissions until April 2024; in case it's chosen as a winner!
2. Each e-mailed entry MUST have a completed and signed entry form by parent/guardian attached to the submission e-mail.

ARTWORK MEASUREMENTS



**The contest deadline is
Friday, March 15, 2024!**

HELPFUL TIPS

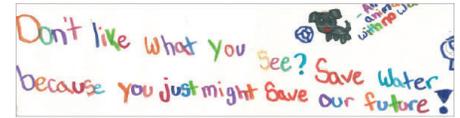
What makes an award-winning art piece?

BETTER!

OK

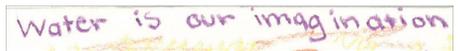
Legible Font

Keep the water slogan brief, using a type font that is LARGE and simple.



Strong Slogan

Ensure a strong water slogan that demonstrates the student's understanding of the importance of water and/or the need to practice wise water use.



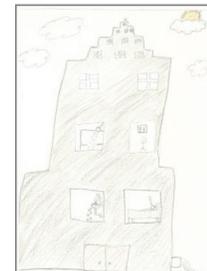
Simplified Artwork

Keep illustration simple and characters large. Reproduced artwork will be reduced to smaller scale for promotional purposes.



Color Contrast

Encourage student artist to use media that provide consistent, broad coverage in bright, bold, rich colors. If crayons are used, the artist must press hard on the paper for dark, rich colors. Pastels do not reproduce well.



1-Inch Border

Ensure a 1-inch border around artwork to allow framing. Many award-quality art submissions have been rejected because the border was missing.



Thank you for your participation in the contest!

If you have any questions, contact:
Janel Ancayan
(310) 660-6253, janela@westbasin.org

