



2022 STUDENT ART CONTEST

WATER IS LIFE | West Basin Municipal Water District

WHAT

The “Water is Life” Student Art Contest 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/waterislife to download 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 18, 2022.**

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 in each category (elementary, middle and high school category). 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.

Entries will be accepted in various media: crayons, markers, pencils, paint, pastels, cut paper, and fabric. . . **BE CREATIVE!!** Students are encouraged to depict wise uses of water in their daily lives.



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PARTICIPATE NOW!

**15 FREE APPLE iPADS
WILL BE AWARDED!**

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2022 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.

Teachers/Parents:

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

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: _____

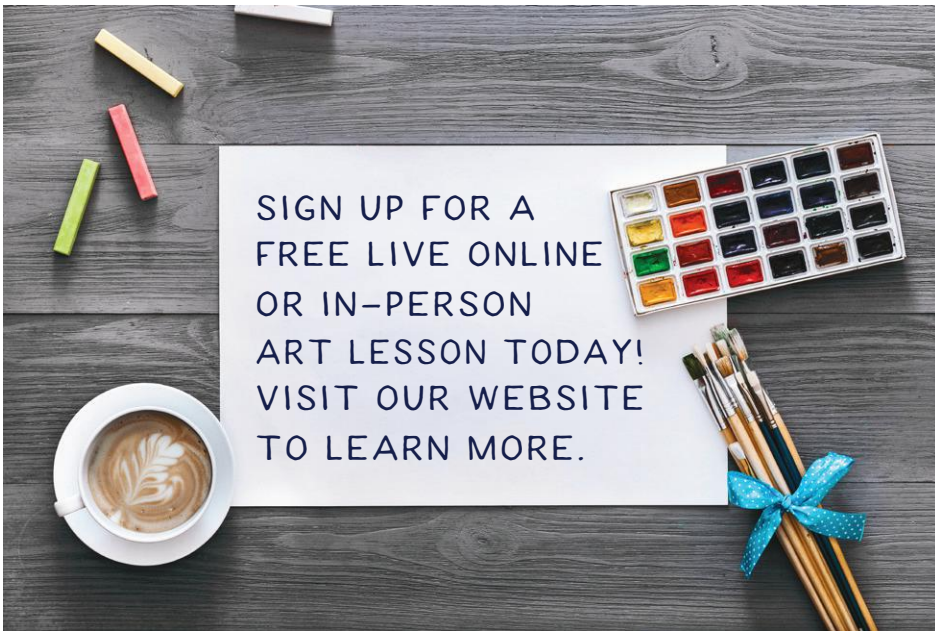
All Information is confidential and only used to contact art contest winners.





2021 STUDENT ART CONTEST WINNERS

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To download the 2022 contest rules and submission forms, visit the contest webpage at www.westbasin.org/waterislife

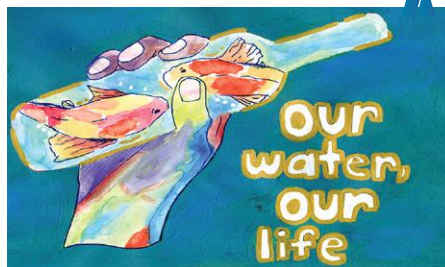
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRAND PRIZE AWARD



Steven Romero
Grade 4

Towne Ave. Elementary School
Carson, WBMWD Division I

MIDDLE SCHOOL GRAND PRIZE AWARD



Madisson Torres
Grade 7

El Segundo Middle School
El Segundo, WBMWD Division IV

HIGH SCHOOL GRAND PRIZE AWARD



Laeci Callahan
Grade 11

Leuzinger High School
Lawndale, WBMWD Division V

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HONORABLE MENTIONS



Landon Ahn Grade 3



Emma Alversado Grade 4



Victor Nava Grade 6



Megan Apolonio Grade 7



Lauren Jung Grade 9



Christian Pasos Grade 10



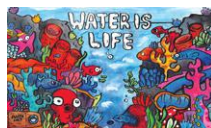
Isabella Hernandez Grade 5



Yumie Lee Grade 5



Avery Ertman Grade 8



Anthony Padnos Grade 8



Sierra Nimnual Grade 11



Rebecca Melendez Grade 12

MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORABLE MENTIONS

HIGH SCHOOL HONORABLE MENTIONS



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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. Art must be drawn on 8.5" X 11" 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". Oversized and undersized artwork, as well as artwork without a one-inch border will not be accepted. See example on this page.
3. Artwork must be created by the student only and be age appropriate. No assistance from family members or friends is permitted.
4. Artwork must be drawn horizontally. Vertical artwork will not be accepted.
5. 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
 - d. in agriculture
 - e. in recreation
6. "Water is Life" is the theme. A short water awareness or water conservation phrase must be written on the artwork (but not necessarily "Water is Life").
7. Words must be spelled correctly. Please check spelling and punctuation. Incorrect grammar or spelling will be disqualified.
8. Students may use the following art media: crayons, markers, pencils, paints, watercolors, chalks, cut paper or fabric. No photography or computer-generated artwork is permitted.
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. One one piece of art may be submitted for each student artist.

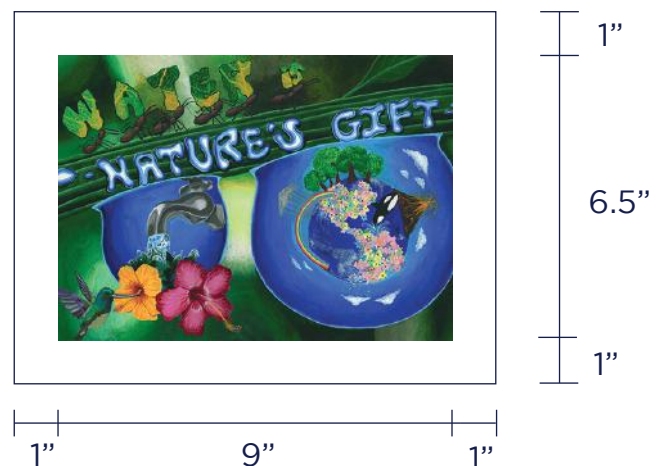
MAILED SUBMISSIONS

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 parents/guardians 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). Guardians/teachers may e-mail artwork submissions to janela@westbasin.org. Keep physical submissions until April 2022; in case it's chosen as a winner!
2. Each e-mailed entry MUST have a completed and signed entry form by parents/guardians attached to the submission e-mail.

ARTWORK MEASUREMENTS



Reminder: The contest deadline is Friday, March 18, 2022!

HELPFUL TIPS

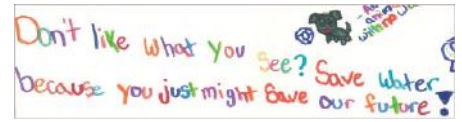
What makes an award winning art piece?

BETTER!

OK

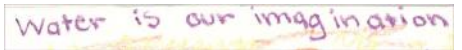
Legible Font

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 provides 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

