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Winners Announced in Creative Recycling Art Contest

See winning artwork at the Charleston County Main Library through Sunday, Nov. 30.

[Charleston County's Solid Waste and Recycling Department](#) recently held the 2008 Creative Recycling Art Contest to celebrate [America Recycles Day 2008](#).

The contest was a success for Charleston County. A total of 30 adults and students entered the contest, which required artwork to be made using only recycled materials. A reception for all entrants was held at the [Charleston County Main Library](#) (68 Calhoun Street), and the artwork will be on display through Sunday, Nov. 30, in the lobby of the main library.

The contest proved that one person's trash can be another person's art, with entries demonstrating how cardboard, ink cartridges, bottle caps, plastic bottles, newsprint and other "trash" can be made into one-of-a-kind winning, creative art pieces.

The contest winners for each category are:

- **First place in the adult category:** Dayton Colie of West Ashley for "Medusa" made from cardboard and milk bottles. Colie won a \$150 gift certificate from True Value hardware store, and a \$150 gift certificate from Artist & Craftsman Supply.
- **Honorable mention in the adult category:** Cherokee Wells Dewey of Moncks Corner for "Urban Coral Reef" made from plastic bottles and containers using glue and paint. Dewey won a copy of the book, "The Altered Object: Techniques, Projects, Inspiration," by Terry Taylor.
- **First place in the student category:** Will Crammer of James Island, a student at Charleston County School of the Arts; Teacher: Ben Moore. The award is for "Lobster" made of found soda cans, found board and glue. Crammer won a \$300 savings bond.
- **Honorable mention in the student category:** Ryan Bing of Mt. Pleasant, an eighth grade student at Charleston County school of the Arts; Teacher: Marie Nichols. The award is for "Spot-tail in the Sunlight" made from found board, reused tissue paper, newspaper, glue, water and acrylic spray. Bing won a copy of the book, "The Altered Object: Techniques, Projects, Inspiration," by Terry Taylor.
- **Honorable mention in the student category:** Lauren Fennel of Mt. Pleasant, a 12th grade student from Wando High school; Teacher: Ashley Webb. The award is for "Spiral" made of cardboard, wood, wire, glass and spray paint. Lauren won a copy of the book, "Secrets of Rusty Things; Transforming Found Objects into Art," by Michael de Meng.

[America Recycles Day](#) is celebrated year-round and culminates every Nov. 15 to remind citizens that recycling is working, and the important part each of us plays in its on-going success. The nationwide celebration is designed to encourage people to recycle and buy products made from recycled materials.

South Carolina has developed one of the nation's top America Recycles state campaigns through the efforts of a statewide public and private steering committee. Various statewide programs and contests are offered each year to support the national America Recycles efforts.

For more information on the Charleston County Creative Recycling Art Contest, contact Jenny Bloom with Charleston County Recycling at 13 Romney Street; Charleston, SC 29403 or call (843) 720-7111 ext. 28.

For more information on America Recycles Day, visit www.americarecyclesday.org.

For more information on Charleston County Government's Solid Waste and Recycling Department, visit <http://recycle.charlestoncounty.org>.