Students Asked to Submit Artwork for Earth Day 2016 Contest

17th Annual Charleston County Earth Day Festival scheduled for Saturday, April 23, at Riverfront Park in North Charleston

Charleston County Government’s Environmental Management Department is once again asking students in kindergarten through twelfth grade to submit artwork for the 2016 Charleston County Earth Day Festival design contest. The deadline to submit artwork is 4 p.m. on Friday, March 18, 2016.

The theme this year is “Be Earth Smart.”

The grand prize winning artwork will be printed on the official festival t-shirts, as well as framed and presented at the Charleston County Earth Day Festival on Saturday, April 23rd, at Riverfront Park in North Charleston.

Contest submission rules

- Entries must be submitted by 4 p.m. on Friday, March 18, 2016.
- The image should convey the theme of the Earth Day Festival - “Be Earth Smart.”
- Students must be residents of Charleston County and must be in kindergarten through twelfth grade.
- Only one entry can be submitted per student.
- Entries can be mailed or hand-delivered to the Charleston County Recycling Center
  Attn: Kathy Kowalchick, 13 Romney Street, Charleston, SC 29403
- Submissions to the contest will become the property of Charleston County’s Environmental Management Department.

Entry Specifications

- The art must be the student’s original work.
- The two-dimensional image should not be larger than 8½ inches x 11 inches in size. Artwork can be in color or black and white.
- Students must attach a sheet of paper to their work listing their name; home address/city/state/zip; student’s phone number; student/parent email; school name; teacher’s name; teacher’s email; student’s grade; and student’s age. Students must provide all information requested to be eligible to win.
- First, second, and third place winners from each grade level category (K-6 and 7-12) will be recognized. A separate grand prize winner will have his or her artwork printed on the official festival t-shirt and will have their artwork framed and presented at the Charleston County Earth Day Festival on Saturday, April 23rd, at Riverfront Park in North Charleston.
- For the K-6 grade level category, the first place winner will receive a $50 gift card from Wonder Works, the second place winner will receive a $30 gift card from Wonder Works, and the third place winner will receive a $20 gift card from Wonder Works. For the 7-12 grade level category, the first place winner will receive a $50 Visa gift card, the second place winner will receive a $30 Visa gift card, and the third place winner will receive a $20 Visa gift card.
- The grand prize winner will receive a $100 gift card from Wonder Works (grades K-6) OR a $100 Visa gift card (grades 7-12). The grand prize winner’s artwork will serve as the design for the official festival T-shirt, which will be sold at the event.
- Artwork from all winners will be displayed at the Earth Day Festival.

Charleston County’s 2016 Earth Day Festival will be held on Saturday, April 23, a day after the National Earth Day celebration which is observed annually on April 22. Earth Day was established as a national holiday in 1970, and is now celebrated by over a half-billion people around the world.

For more information about this year’s Charleston County Earth Day Festival or the art contest, visit the Charleston County website at recycle.charlestoncounty.org to download the contest entry form or call Charleston County’s Environmental Management Department at (843) 720-7111.
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