

TIDES OF TOMORROW:

Celebrating our Coastal Connections

2024 ARTWORKS CONTEST

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries Program (CBBEP) would like to invite K-12 students to participate in our first artworks contest to celebrate National Estuaries Week!
The contest theme is “Celebrating Our Coastal Connections.”

CBBEP is a local non-profit organization dedicated to protecting and restoring the bays and estuaries in the Texas Coastal Bend. Coastal Bend Bays are where freshwater from rivers meets the saltwater of the Gulf of Mexico, creating a diverse array of habitats that support a wide variety of wildlife and many popular recreational activities.

We are looking forward to seeing the vibrant artwork created by our young Coastal Bend artists!

ELIGIBILITY

K-12 students located in the 12-county area:

Aransas, Bee, Brooks, Duval, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, Live Oak, Nueces, McMullen, Refugio, and San Patricio

Entry form must be completed and paperclipped on the back of the artwork
(parent/guardian signature required)

Only one entry allowed per student

CONTEST RULES

Must be student’s original artwork (no help from an adult)

Artwork must represent our local estuaries (see below for suggestions and examples)

8.5x11 inch white paper (horizontal and no loose-leaf paper)

Crayons, paint, marker and colored pencils allowed (cannot be computer generated)

** If rules are not followed, the artwork will be disqualified **

SUGGESTIONS FOR ARTWORK

** Artwork must represent Texas estuaries**

Estuary Landscapes

Recreational Activities Enjoyed in an Estuary

(Examples: fishing, boating, bird watching, kayaking, wildlife viewing)

Texas Wildlife and Plants

(Examples: great blue herons, oysters, blue crab, diamondback terrapin, roseate spoonbills, red drum, speckled trout, mangroves, cord grass)

Prevention Awareness

(Examples: littering, habitat destruction, invasive species, overfishing)



HOW TO ENTER

Artwork can be mailed or dropped off at the locations listed below:

Mailing Address:

Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries Program
C/O Lauren Piorkowski
PO Box 23025
Corpus Christi, TX 78403-3025

Drop-Off Locations:

Janet F. Hart Public Library
2629 Waldron Road
Corpus Christi, TX 78418

Keach Family Library
1000 Terry Shamsie Blvd
Robstown, TX 78380

Bell/Whittington Public Library
2400 Memorial Pkwy
Portland, TX 78374

Bishop Branch Library
115 S Ash Ave
Bishop, TX 78343

Odem Public Library
516 Voss Ave
Odem, TX 78370

Ellis Memorial Library
700 W Avenue A
Port Aransas, TX 78373

**ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024**

PRIZES

Overall Grand Prize Winner: \$50 Amazon Gift Card

1st Place in each category: \$25 Amazon Gift Card

2nd Place in each category: \$15 Amazon Gift Card

3rd Place in each category: CBBEP Calendar

All winners will also receive a 2025 CBBEP calendar with artwork featured in it

Artworks will be displayed in an art exhibit at the
Keach Family Library from **September 23-30!**

They will also be featured at CBBEP's 25th anniversary event and social media outlets.

JUDGING & WINNER NOTIFICATION

Winners will be notified by email by Thursday, September 19

All artworks will be judged on the following criteria: Understanding of concept and theme (estuaries), creativity and originality, presentation and neatness, and overall impact.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT
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