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Student Artists Honored for EcoART Contest

Contest inspires focus on environmental themes through art

FRANKFORT, Ky. (May 17, 2016) - The Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection (DEP) has selected its 2017 EcoART Contest student winners.

The winners are as follows:

- Kaylee Thornsbury, Morgan County High School, West Liberty
- Yedarm Lee, Somerset Christian School, Somerset
- Savannah Wilder, Pleasure Ridge Park High School, Louisville
- Heather Bensinger, Mercer County High School, Harrodsburg

Winning artwork can be viewed online at <https://tinyurl.com/n6kut2h>.

“The Department for Environmental Protection congratulates all of the Kentucky students that participated in this year’s EcoART contest,” said Aaron Keatley, Commissioner of the Department. “Their artwork highlights the importance the next generation places on our environment and how they view its relationship to the health of our communities. These students can be an inspiration to all Kentuckians as we make decisions that define how we use and protect Kentucky’s natural resources.”

The annual contest is open to Kentucky high school students who create artwork in the categories of air, water, land and habitat. Students were instructed to use media types of drawing, painting, print work, digital artwork, mixed media, sculpture, pottery and photographs.

Artwork from the 2017 contest winners will be displayed in the 300 Office Building in Frankfort, 300 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, KY 40601.

The EcoART Contest is sponsored by DEP’s Division of Compliance Assistance. For more information about the contest, visit <http://dca.ky.gov/LGGS/Pages/ecoart.aspx> or call the Division of Compliance Assistance at 502-564-0323.

Additional information is available at <http://eec.kentucky.gov>

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