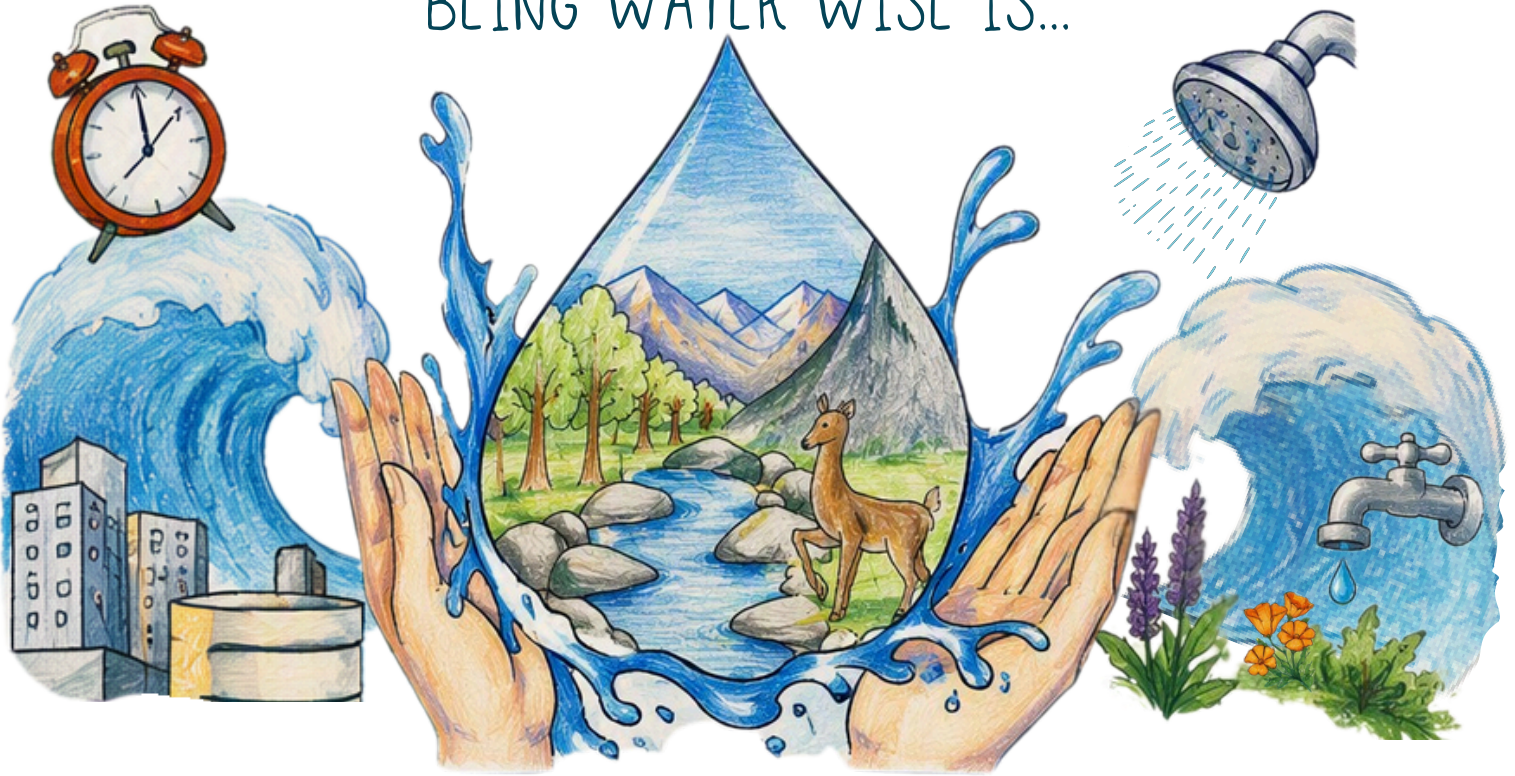


STUDENT ART CONTEST

"BEING WATER WISE IS..."

Now
Open!



Students K-12 are invited to create artwork that celebrates clean, reliable water and inspires responsible water use and conservation. Artwork will be featured at the annual WaterFest and for the chance to compete in Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's annual student art calendar.

Grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8

1st Place	\$150
2nd Place	\$100
3rd Place	\$75
4th Place	\$50
5th Place	\$25

Grades 9-12

1st Place	\$250
2nd Place	\$200
3rd Place	\$150
4th Place	\$100
5th Place	\$50

Who Can Enter?

Schools within
the Upper Water
[service area](#)

Submit Your Artwork

By Mail or
Dropped Off

Paper Requirements

18"X12" Horizontal
and 1" Border

Submission Deadline

APRIL 8, 2027

Scan to learn more





“Being Water Wise is...” 2027 Art Contest Guidelines

Please Note: All entries become the property of Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District. Upper Water and/or Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) reserve the right to use any submitted artwork for any public relations purposes, including, but not limited to displaying the original or copies of the artwork on Upper Water's website, at events, and reproducing the artwork on various items.

Entry Deadline: April 8, 2027, by 5:00pm

Please note entries that do not meet the guidelines will not be considered for participation.

1. **One Submission Per Student:** Each student, from grades K–12, may submit only one artwork entry for the contest.
2. **Eligibility:** Students must currently be enrolled at a school located within Upper Water's service area. To check if your school is eligible, visit: upperwater.org/art-contest-submission.
3. **Media & Paper Requirement:** Students may use any traditional, non-digital art media, including crayons, colored pencils, markers, pencils, paints, watercolors, pastels, chalk, charcoal, ink, collage, cut paper, fabric, mixed media, and sculpture materials.

All artwork must be created on 18" × 12" paper with a 1-inch border on all four sides. (The artwork itself should measure 16" × 10".) **Hard-copy submissions only.**

4. **Orientation Requirement:** All artwork must be depicted horizontally (landscape orientation). *Portrait or vertical submissions will not be accepted.*
5. **Theme & Recommendations:** Artwork should illustrate either water-wise or efficient water use, water conservation, stewardship practices, or climate change. Students may choose to depict these themes in a variety of settings—such as inside or outside the home or school, in businesses or industries, in natural environments, in agriculture, through

recreation, or by promoting cleanliness and hygiene. Use brilliant, bright, or bold colors to make your artwork stand out!

6. **Submission Process:** Artwork entries must be submitted by mail or dropped off in person to: **Upper Water Headquarters**, [248 E. Foothill Blvd., Suite 200, Monrovia, CA 91016](#).

The Student's Information and Consent Form should be printed and completed on the back of the artwork. Please refer to the paper example on the website.

7. **Individual Work Only:** Each entry must be original and created by one student. Group or collaborative submissions will not be accepted. NO computer-generated or traced art. NO trademarked or copyrighted characters, slogans, brands, or words (i.e. SpongeBob, Hello Kitty, Snoopy, Coca-Cola, Twitter, etc.). Please, NO copycat or 'borrowed' ideas of artwork from past art contests.

Artwork must be "truly" the hands-on work of the student and realistically represent the age, grade, and developmental skill level of the student. Adult assistance should be minimal. Adults should NOT draw or write on any of the submitted artwork. Upper Water reserves the right to question or disqualify artwork that is deemed not to be the artwork of the student based on their age and/or grade level.

8. **No Personal Information on Artwork:** Entries with names, signatures, initials, or other personal information displayed or written within the artwork are subject to disqualification.

Winners will be announced in June and contacted directly by E-mail or mail. For any questions, please contact Alexis Silva at alexis@usgvmwd.org.