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Poster Contest Winners Recognized in Regional Competition

MONTCLAIR, CA Gianni Destine and Jessica Luong, eighth graders at Lyle Briggs Fundamental School in Chino, were recently honored for their award-winning art posters by Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD), sponsor of an annual "Water is Life" student art contest. The students' posters were among 36 selected for recognition from 201 entries, representing artwork from grades Kindergarten through 12, submitted by water agencies in Metropolitan's six-county service area.

Luong's poster received a second place award in the Grades 7-12 division in Monte Vista Water District's local contest held in May 2014, and Destine placed Honorable Mention in the 7-12 grade division. The District sent nine winning posters from its contest to MWD for judging in the regional contest.

The 36 award-winning posters are featured in a 2015 calendar published by MWD and unveiled at a special event held in December at the agency's headquarters in Los Angeles.

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At the recognition event, the student artists were recognized for depicting conservation concepts through art. Students, family members, teachers, principals and water agency representatives viewed a display of the framed posters and attended a ceremony where each student received an award certificate and a tote bag full of calendars.

The art exhibit will be on display at Metropolitan’s headquarters until early January, after which it will begin a six-month tour at various water agencies.



Gianni Destine displays her award-winning “Water is Life” art poster at the recognition event