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See photos: <http://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/SolidWaste/art-contest.htm>

County Announces Recycled Art Contest Winners

Reception for all entrants will be held at 6 p.m. today at the Charleston County Main Library

[Charleston County's Environmental Management Department](#) recently held the [15th Annual Recycled Art Contest](#) to celebrate [America Recycles Day](#). Adults and students were asked to submit artwork composed of 70 percent recyclable and/or discarded materials.

A reception for all entrants will be held on America Recycles Day, Thursday, Nov. 15 at 6 p.m. at the [Charleston County Main Library](#) located at 68 Calhoun Street in downtown Charleston. Contest artwork will be on display at the library through Sunday, Dec. 2. To view the winning artwork online, visit <http://www.charlestoncounty.org/departments/SolidWaste/art-contest.htm>.

The contest winners are:

Adult Category (18+ years of age)

- **First place:** Trevor Arrowood, "King Street Cobra" made from old Coca-Cola bottle caps, scrap pieces of copper wire, old mini Bundt cake pans and old spools of thread (prize: \$300 gift card).

Student Category (grades seven-12)

- **First place:** Julia Dotson, School of the Arts, "White Birds" made from coffee filters, lined paper, chicken wire, tissue paper, newspaper, glue, hot glue and tea/tea bags (prize: \$300 gift card).

Honorable Mentions

- **Madeline Vick**, Hanahan High School, "Recycled Robot" made from empty tissue box, bottle caps, found padlock, broken light up necklace, old pool hose, broken dental mirror, found can opener and miscellaneous parts of broken household items.
- **Zenobia Bennett**, St. John's High School, "Can You Walk in my Heel?" made from wood, gift, cardboard, beads, fabric and a CD.
- **Ashley Freeman**, St. John's High School, "Mirror Fish" made from soda cans, cardboard, wood, paint and CDs.

Sponsored by [Keep America Beautiful](#), [America Recycles Day](#) has been celebrated for 15 years on Nov. 15 to promote recycling initiatives throughout the year. Events are held to educate and encourage citizens to work together to increase recycling in their communities. For more information on America Recycles Day, visit www.americarecyclesday.org.

Charleston County Environmental Management encourages residents to recycle and buy recycled products. Recyclable materials in Charleston County include:

- All paper items such as: home office paper, mail, magazines, books, newspapers, paperboard (i.e., cereal boxes), flattened cardboard
- Glass
- Plastics #1- 7
- Aluminum cans

Household hazardous products, such as: cleaning products, pesticides, automotive oil and paint, can be disposed of safely and easily at several [drop-off locations](#) throughout the county. It is also important to recycle old, non-working or unused electronic devices, which often consist of valuable resources such as precious metals (gold or silver), more common metals (aluminum and copper) and engineered plastics. Electronic recycling helps to recover these valuable materials while also conserving energy and landfill space.

For more information on recycling, contact the Charleston County Environmental Management Department at (843) 720-7111 or visit recycle.charlestoncounty.org.

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