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**RETHINKWASTE’S THIRD ANNUAL “TRASH TO ART” CONTEST DEADLINE IS MARCH 6**  
*4<sup>th</sup> Through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Classes in Service Area Invited to Participate*

**SAN CARLOS, CA - February 24, 2015** – RethinkWaste is reminding students and teachers to get creative and give trash a new meaning through its third annual “Trash to Art” Contest as the deadline to submit artwork is Friday, March 6, 2015. The contest is open to all 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes in the RethinkWaste service area.

“We can’t wait to see what they come up with this year,” said RethinkWaste Environmental Education Associate Heather Co. “It’s been amazing to see the creativity and effort classes have put into their projects the last two years all while learning about reuse and sustainability.”

The art pieces must be made as a class effort, and 90 percent of the art must be made from materials collected at home, school and everyday life. All mediums of artwork are encouraged, including sculptures, collages and murals, among others. Art pieces should not exceed 3 feet x 3 feet.

Artwork must be submitted by 5 pm on March 6, 2015 to the Environmental Education Center at the Shoreway Environmental Center, 333 Shoreway Road, San Carlos. All entries will be posted online for the public to vote for their top three favorites from March 16-20, 2015. Winners will be announced on March 27, 2015 and recognized at this year's Earth Day@Shoreway event on April 11, 2015. Art pieces will also be displayed at the Environmental Education Center as part of an educational exhibit. Prizes will be awarded to a class, not individually. Prizes include:

**First Place**

- \$500
- VIP tour of Shoreway Environmental Center

**Second Place**

- \$250
- VIP tour of Shoreway Environmental Center

**Third Place**

- \$150

**Fourth Place**

- \$100

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MEMBER AGENCIES: Town of Atherton • City of Belmont • City of Burlingame • City of East Palo Alto • City of Foster City • Town of Hillsborough  
City of Menlo Park • City of Redwood City • City of San Carlos • City of San Mateo • County of San Mateo • West Bay Sanitary District

Last year's winners included classes from Highlands Elementary in San Mateo, Nativity School in Menlo Park, Foster City Elementary in Foster City, and Park Elementary in San Mateo. For complete contest rules and entry form, please visit [www.RethinkWaste.org](http://www.RethinkWaste.org) or send an email to [tours@rethinkwaste.org](mailto:tours@rethinkwaste.org).

### RethinkWaste

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