



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

## Water Department

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### *Water Conservation Art Transforms San Diego Libraries*



**SAN DIEGO** – Book it to your nearest library and you may experience more than just a place to read. Several libraries throughout San Diego are transforming into galleries displaying student artwork that promotes the importance of using water wisely.

The 18-poster display showcases the 2006 winners from the City of San Diego's Annual Water Conservation Poster Contest. Established in 2000, the contest teaches children the importance of Southern California's most precious natural resource - water.

“We are extremely pleased to have partnered up with libraries throughout the city. We are hoping that the artwork will inspire more student artists to participate in this year's contest as well as inspire the community to use water wisely,” said Chris Robbins, Water Department Supervising Management Analyst.

Visit any of the following libraries to get inspired and obtain more contest information:

Carmel Valley Library  
3919 Townsgate Dr. 92130

Mira Mesa Library  
8405 New Salem St. 92126

Chesterton Elementary Library  
7335 Wheatley St. 92111

Mission Hills Library  
925 W. Washington St. 92103

College-Rolando Library  
6600 Montezuma Rd. 92115

North Park Library  
3795 31<sup>st</sup> St. 92104

Edison Elementary Library  
4077 35<sup>th</sup> St. 92104

San Ysidro Library  
101 W. San Ysidro Blvd. 92173

The Water Conservation Poster Contest is open to all public, private and home-schooled first through sixth grade students in the City of San Diego. Each year thousands of children participate in the contest and 18 winners are selected. Prizes and certificates are awarded to first, second, and third place winners in each grade level.

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Deadline for the 2007 Poster Contest is March 28, 2007. Interested teachers and students can obtain information about the contest at any of the locations listed above or by visiting the Water Department's "Kids Conservation Corner" webpage at [www.sandiego.gov/water/conservation](http://www.sandiego.gov/water/conservation).

Organizations interested in displaying the children's water conservation posters can contact Destree Lazo at (619) 232-2112, ext. 104, or via email at [DestreeL@CollaborativeServices.biz](mailto:DestreeL@CollaborativeServices.biz).

*The Water Conservation Program reduces water demand through promoting or providing incentives for the installation of hardware that provides permanent water savings, and by providing services and information to help San Diegans make better decisions about water use. For more information about Water Conservation, visit <http://www.sandiego.gov/water/conservation> or call (619) 515-3500. For more information about Stormwater Pollution Prevention, visit the City's Think Blue Program website at <http://www.sandiego.gov/thinkblue>.*