How it works:

- Eligibility - the Governor’s Art Contest is open to South Carolina K-5 students.
- Register - Educators submit application at www.palmettopride.org/education/art-contest to receive the lesson and art paper.
- Present - Educators present a litter lesson to the entire class and provide paper for artwork.
- Create - Students create artwork focused on litter — no recycling-related content.
- Select - School administration judges all participating students’ artwork and selects ONE (1) student to represent their school. Only one entry per school.
- Submit - Mail winning entry to PalmettoPride postmarked by February 22, 2023. Submissions must be received by February 28th, 2023 to be considered. Address to PalmettoPride 2700 Middleburg Drive Suite 216 Columbia, SC 29204.

Requirements:

- Paper provided upon request or plain white 8.5x11 paper may be used.
- Five (5) color maximum allowed in addition to white.
- Artwork must be themed around Litter Trashes Everyone and space to add the phrase must be available if the student does not include it in the artwork.
- No copyrighted content such as logos or brand names should be included.
- Images/photographs of the submitted work may be featured on our various social media outlets and promotional material. All images are subject to editing.
Awards:

State winner: PalmettoPride selects one statewide winner. The winning artist, their teacher and the school each receive a monetary award. The school and the artist each receive a framed reprint of the winning artwork. The statewide winning artwork will be featured on PalmettoPride t-shirts ordered for 2024 and the winning student’s school (students and faculty) will receive t-shirts featuring the winning design.

Regional winners: PalmettoPride selects four regional winners—Lowcountry, Midlands, Pee Dee and Upstate. Each regional winning artist, their teacher and the school receive a monetary award. The school and the artist each receive a framed reprint of the region’s winning artwork.

Award Presentation:

Statewide and regional winners will be announced at the State House in Columbia. The regional and statewide winners with their school administrators, teachers and parents will be invited to attend. The tentative date for this presentation is March 14, 2023. If possible, PalmettoPride will come to each winning school for an award presentation at a date to be determined.

Selecting your school winner:

- Content over artistic qualities.
- Litter specific. No recycling or other environmental messages.
- SC specific if any location is obvious. No planets.
- Consider how the piece will look on the back of T-shirts from Youth XS to Adult XXL.
- Unique artwork gets noticed. Turtles are not unique.

Entries must be postmarked by 2/22/2023
Only entries received by 2/28/2023 will be considered
Tentative awards ceremony at State House on 3/14/2023

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