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Earth Day Art on display.

Cleveland, Ohio – Students' art, poetry and essays from Earth Day Coalition's 23nd Annual Art, Poetry, and Essay Contest are being displayed at:Cleveland Public Library – Broadway Branch **5417 Broadway Ave. Cleveland, Ohio 44127**
Display available for viewing from Tuesday, July 10 through Friday, July 27, 2012 Hours: Monday – Friday 9 am – 5 pm

The Art, Poetry, and Essay Contest is an annual contest open to all students, grades K-12, in Cuyahoga,

Ashtabula, Lake, Geauga, Lorain, Medina, Summit, and Portage counties. In 2012 students were asked to

share their thoughts and feelings on 'Local and Sustainable Food' through drawings, paintings,

photography, essays, or poetry. Topics were created in three grade-specific categories to guide students with

the content of their entries. Entries were judged on understanding of the environmental topic, creativity, and

originality. Spelling and grammar are also considered for written entries.

Winning entries were also displayed at Earth Day Coalition's EarthFest 2012 at Cleveland Metroparks Zoo on

April 22, 2012 for thousands of visitors to see. Each winner received the acclaimed Hope and Stanley

Adelstein Award for Excellence presented by Cleveland dignitaries at the EarthFest 2012 Welcoming

Ceremonies. 30 students from the diverse Northeast Ohio communities of Avon, Brook Park, Cleveland,

Columbia Station, Doylestown, Fairview Park, Highland Heights, Lakewood, Middleburg Heights, Parma

Heights, Strongsville, University Heights, Wadsworth and Westlake were honored for their outstanding

contributions. All 2012 winners' works are now also available for viewing on the Earth Day Coalition website

at:
http://www.earthdaycoalition.org/content/art-poetry-and-essay-contest

The Art, Poetry, and Essay Contest encourages Northeast Ohio students to celebrate Earth Day by

expressing their ideas for solutions to environmental issues facing our community. Parents, teachers, school

administrators and students can call Earth Day Coalition at 216-281-6468 to receive an application for the

2013 Art, Poetry, and Essay Contest or can check our website www.earthdaycoalition.org, after January 1,

2013. The exhibit will move to the Fulton Branch of the Cleveland Public Library for the showing dates

July 31st through August 18. Call 216-281-6468 x221 for more details.

"Established in 1990, Earth Day Coalition's mission is to provide education, inspire leadership, and encourage

action for a healthy environment. Earth Day Coalition's year-round programs include: Student

Environmental Leadership, Clean Transportation, Neighborhood Action, and EarthFest. EarthFest is Ohio's largest

environmental education event and the longest running Earth Day celebration in the nation."