New Jersey American Water Names 2025 Winners of Annual Protect Our Watersheds Art Contest

New Jersey American Water is proud to announce the winners of its Annual *Protect Our Watersheds Art Contest*, a statewide initiative aimed at engaging and educating students about the importance of preserving our vital water resources. This year, three exceptional young artists from across the company's service area were recognized for their creative and impactful interpretations of watershed protection.

"This art contest gives young people a meaningful way to use their creativity while learning about the importance of watershed protection," said Chelsea Kulp, Director of Communications and External Affairs at New Jersey American Water. "Their artwork not only showcases their talent but also helps raise awareness about how we can all contribute to protecting our water resources."

The Grand Prize was awarded to *Emma* from Gloucester County, NJ, for her beautiful drawing of a local lake cherished by her family. Her piece highlights the impact of waste on natural landscapes and underscores the need to protect and preserve our environment. "Watershed protection is important. If we want to enjoy the beauty, we first have to protect it" stated Emma.

Second Place went to *Mary* from Monmouth County, NJ, whose artwork emphasizes the importance of clean beaches, marine life preservation, and the human connection to nature through outdoor activities such as hiking. "Without watershed protection, places like the Manasquan Reservoir and Sandy Hook wouldn't be clean," said Mary.

Third Place was awarded to *Delyanis* from Camden County, NJ, for her inspiring depiction of the role local watersheds play in sustaining ecosystems and supporting communities. "I want to raise awareness about watersheds and the environment," said Delyanis.

Through this annual contest, New Jersey American Water continues its commitment to environmental stewardship by empowering the next generation to become advocates for clean water and healthy watersheds.

The winners each received an American Express gift card, and all contest participants received a certificate of participation. For more information about the Protect Our Watersheds Art Contest and to learn more about watershed protection, visit www.newjerseyamwater.com.

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