

STOPWASTE SCHOOLS PRESENTS THE 9TH ANNUAL

# WE ARE THE (RE)GENERATION

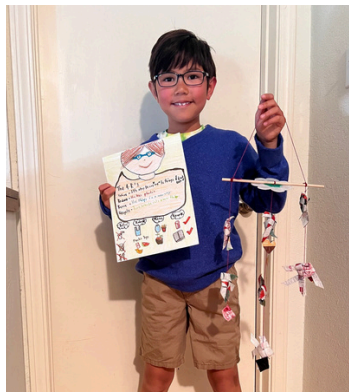
## ART & STORYTELLING CONTEST



### WHAT ARE YOUR 4RS?

Join youth and families across Alameda County in sharing your unique and personal stories of action that represent how you are part of the (Re)Generation. Together we can take collective action to share the thriving, irresistible future we all envision for ourselves and for our communities.

Choose a storytelling medium (i.e. reuse art, visual art, performing arts, creative writing, or mixed media) to showcase your actions and impact! Whether you embrace the 4Rs (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Rot) or create your own "R" words, let your actions shine and inspire others! Submit for a chance at winning up to to \$300!



### WINNING CATEGORIES

Awards will be given to individuals and groups in four age-based categories - elementary, middle, high school & adult.

**Art categories include:** Reuse Art, Visual Art, Creative Writing, Performing Arts, Mixed Media

#### INDIVIDUAL

\$150 first place  
\$100 second place  
\$50 third place

#### GROUP/FAMILY

\$200 first place  
\$150 second place  
\$100 third place

**OVERALL GRAND PRIZE: \$300**



### TO ENTER THE CONTEST

1. Choose your storytelling medium, your 4rs, and get creating!
2. Write your artist statement. This is just as important as your art!
3. Download and sign the photo release form.
4. Select an art category for your submission.
5. Submit online by Friday, May 9, 2025.

The contest is open to all but monetary awards will only be given to those who reside, live, or work in Alameda County.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2025**

**LEARN MORE AT [WWW.STOPWASTE.ORG/4RSCONTEST](http://WWW.STOPWASTE.ORG/4RSCONTEST)**

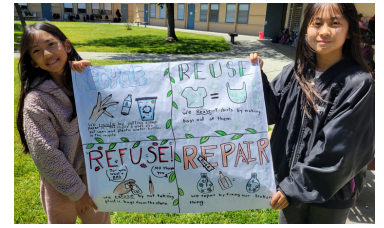
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## GET INSPIRED

Scan the QR codes to learn more about past contest winners and read or watch their 4Rs and climate action stories.



**Reuse Art**  
*Lucas O., Elementary Student*

My art is inspired by my 4Rs - Refuse, Reuse, Reduce, and Recycle - to make this world a better place!



[www.StopWaste.org/Lucas](http://www.StopWaste.org/Lucas)



**Mixed Media & Poetry**  
*Seah K., Elementary Student*

My 4Rs are Rebuild, Rethink, RE-Believe, and Respect - yourself, others, and most importantly our home, the Earth. Walk towards a new future.



[www.StopWaste.org/Seah](http://www.StopWaste.org/Seah)



**Visual Digital Art**  
*Isabelle & Michelle, College Students*

Our 4Rs are Recognize, Responsibility, Redesign, and Research! We want to promote sustainability and conscious consumerism



[www.StopWaste.org/IsabelleandMichelle](http://www.StopWaste.org/IsabelleandMichelle)



**Performing Arts**  
*Raymond & Roselle, Elementary Student*

Some of the lyrics from our song: We should not pollute our environment, there are consequences. We try to make a better choice, try to reduce our plastic.



[www.StopWaste.org/RaymondandRoselle](http://www.StopWaste.org/RaymondandRoselle)

## WHAT ARE YOUR 4RS?

In addition to submitting your artwork, all participants must also submit an artist statement that highlights your 4Rs actions. The artist statement is just as important as your artwork!

- Do you Rethink before your toss?
- Do you Reimagine a healthy earth community?
- Do you Redesign your school or cafeteria?
- Do you Recreate new things from old things?



## TIPS & GUIDES FOR YOUR ARTWORK

To help you submit the best artwork and stories you can, we encourage you to view the StopWaste best practices, tips and guides for submitting your art pieces.

We also highly encourage you to submit a photo of yourself with your artwork!

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CONTEST AND READ MORE STORIES AT

**WWW.STOPWASTE.ORG/4RSSHOWCASE**

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