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Art of Recycling Contest back for its 20th Year

~High School students turn trash into art~

PASCO COUNTY --- The wildly popular Art of Recycling Contest is back for its 20th year. High School students have been diligently creating art from trash since the beginning of the semester. Pasco County public and private high schools will be submitting the best seven creations from each school to be judged in 15 categories. Each category carries a \$100 cash prize. First, second and third place overall will receive \$500, \$300 and \$200 respectively. The art is judged on several themes like Best Use of Aluminum, Best Use of Plastic, Most Innovative, Best Environmental Concept and much more.

Public school participating seniors are eligible to compete for a \$1,000 college scholarship.

The exhibition opens to the public **Monday, February 1, 2016 at 8 a.m.** at the West Pasco Government Center at 8731 Citizens Drive, New Port Richey. It will remain on display through February 26. The 15 winning pieces will then be on display at the Pasco County District School Board February 29 through April 1.

Winners will be presented their awards at their schools during the week of February 15, 2016.

This event is a co-operative project of the District School Board of Pasco County, Pasco County Recycling and Education, Keep Pasco Beautiful and the Pasco Arts Council.

The Pasco Art of Recycling Contest and exhibit was implemented to help increase awareness of the Arts and to encourage the practice of recycling. The event is supported by the following community businesses, organizations and individuals:

County Recycling
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Pasco Arts Council
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For more information about the Art of Recycling:

<http://www.pascocountyfl.net/index.aspx?NID=741>

For more information about recycling in Pasco County:

<http://www.pascocountyfl.net/index.aspx?nid=181>

Click on this link for more information about Keep Pasco Beautiful:

<http://keeppascobeautiful.org/>