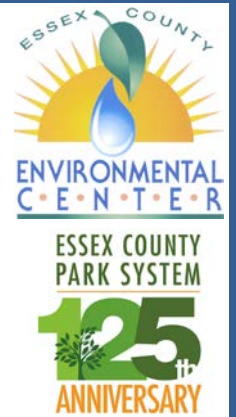




The Making gARTbage Contest at the Essex County Environmental Center is an opportunity to creatively take non-recyclable materials and other waste items and turn them into exciting art. We hope the projects help create discussion and highlight the concerning abundance of these waste items in order to encourage positive change for the environment.

Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.

Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr., Essex County Executive
And the Board of County Commissioners
Invite You to Participate in the



Making g'ART'bage Contest!

A partnership program of Essex County Environmental Center
and the Essex County 4-H Youth Development Program

This g'ART'bage (Art Through Recycling) contest will challenge youth to be creative in building a sculpture made of garbage. Team and individual projects are welcome.

Winning entrees will be displayed during the week of Earth Day!

All projects will be awarded ribbons, plus
1st, 2nd and 3rd winners will be awarded prizes in
2 different categories: Grades K-3 and Grades 4-12+!

Project drop-off will take place on
Saturday, April 17, 2021, from 12pm to 2pm
at the Essex County Environmental Center, Garibaldi Hall,
621A Eagle Rock Avenue, Roseland, NJ

Pre-register by contacting the Environmental Center at 973-228-8776
or email tcasella@parks.essexcountynj.org



**This contest is sponsored by the County of Essex, and the Essex County 4-H Leaders Association*



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g'ART'bage Art Rules and Information

This contest is part of Essex County Environmental Center's Earth Awareness Month programming and is in partnership with the 4-H Youth Development Program.

CONTEST RULES

1. Art pieces must be a made of 90% garbage; 10% of the project can include adhesives, decorative items, or other forms of creative arts and crafts. Paint, crayons, markers, etc. can be used for color or be creative with the materials you use (i.e. Coke boxes for red). The more non-recyclable products included the better—let's get non-recyclable plastics and other slow biodegrading materials out of the waste stream!!!
2. **All Youth** from kindergarten age to 1 year out of high school can enter projects.
3. **Projects** can be submitted by an individual or a team.
4. **4-H Judging** uses the Danish system in which each item is evaluated against a standard. Therefore, many exhibits will receive Excellent, Very Good, or Good ratings.
5. **The Purpose of Contest is to** use garbage as a medium, like paint or clay, to create artwork. Although often aesthetically beautiful, the works point to the concerning abundance of non-recyclable plastics and other non/slow biodegrading objects in our environment.
 - o Visit your local municipality's website to determine what items are recyclable versus and non-recyclable and create your masterpiece guided by the information you learn about local recycling rules!
 - o **Each entry must be submitted with an index card and short description of your creation, noting the solid waste and recycling research findings leading to the development of the art piece, along with the entrant or group name, age, grade, and school.**
 - o **USE OF HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE MATERIALS AND ELECTRONICS ARE PROHIBITED**, including batteries (of any kind), incandescent light bulbs, fluorescent tubes, containers holding hazardous waste materials, etc. Please visit the Essex County Utilities Authority (ECUA) website at www.ecuanj.com to learn more.
6. Projects will be displayed outside on the grounds of the Environmental Center, so please keep the weather in mind when building your creation. The more weather resistant the longer they will last on display.
7. Projects must be picked up by June 1st or they will become the property of the Environmental Center to remain on display or be discarded.

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gARTbage Art Entry Form ~ 2021

Must be pre-registered by Friday, April 16, 2021

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Participant Name(s) _____ Grade Level _____

Is this project a TEAM entry? Circle YES or NO

Address _____

Email address _____ Phone _____

Additional Information about your gARTbage art Entry: