

## Long Island Sound and Its Watershed Drawing Contest

The Long Island Sound Foundation is looking for young artists to participate in a drawing contest for a **2012** calendar entitled "Long Island Sound and Its Watershed". We ask teachers to teach their students about Long Island Sound and Its Watershed or provide them with hands on experience. (Publications are available as a teaching tool).

### **Eligibility:**

The Long Island Sound contest is open to all Connecticut students currently in grade kindergarten through grade six. Participating classes/schools are asked to select **one** drawing per eligible grade to submit for judging. Individual children may submit a drawing on their own if the school is not participating.

### **Requirements:**

Preferred Size: 18" x 24" or 24" x 32". (We will accept 11" x 17" if that is the only size paper the school has in stock). **A slogan or title may be written on the drawing** however, the student's name or school may **not** appear on the front or back of the drawing. Due to calendar printing requirements, drawings not within these size specifications will be ineligible for competition.

Contest theme: "What it means to me".

Teachers: Please let students use their imagination. Drawings must be completely drawn by the student along with any written text for the title or slogan.

Materials: White drawing paper  
Crayons, felt pens, colored pencils, watercolors, poster paints or grease pencils.  
Drawings must be mailed flat or in a tube. Folded or three dimensional drawings will not be accepted.

A release form must be taped to the back of all submitted drawings. A drawing unaccompanied by a fully completed release form signed by a parent/guardian will be ineligible for state competition. If applicable all drawings should have a teacher/volunteer form accompany drawings.

**Address and contact:** All entries must be submitted to:

The University of CT  
Avery Point Campus, Marine Science Dept.  
Attn: Susan McNamara, Executive Director  
1080 Shennecossett Road  
Groton, CT 06340  
Phone: 860-405-9166  
Fax: 860-405-9153  
E- mail: [susan.mcnamara@uconn.edu](mailto:susan.mcnamara@uconn.edu)

**Deadline: Friday, April 1, 2011**

Judging will be done by educators and professional artists. The panel of judges will select one grand prize drawing for the calendar cover, two first place drawings from each grade level. A total of fourteen drawings will be featured in the calendar with the students' name, grade level, school and town. Fifteen honorable mention drawings will also be selected and featured in a section of the calendar.

Notification will be done by mail no later than May 6, 2011.

**Awards:**

The winning students will be honored in a ceremony on Thursday, May 26, 2011. For one year the winning drawings will travel to our sponsors' facilities to be publicly displayed. Contest winners will receive a family membership, a boat or schooner ride, a class program, or a publication from one of the following sponsors: Mystic Aquarium Institute of Exploration, Project Oceanology, Schooner Sound Learning, Soundwaters, Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk, CT Sea Grant Program, Bruce Museum of Arts and Science, Audubon Center in Greenwich, or the Quinnipiac River Watershed Association. All contest winners will receive savings bonds from the Long Island Sound Foundation.

## **Checklist for submittal of drawings by Individuals/Schools**

**Please make certain to check the following before sending your drawing:**

- 1. Appropriate release form is securely attached (tape) to the back of each drawing.**
- 2. Release form is completed and signed by the student and parent/guardian. Each drawing must have this attached to it.**
- 3. Each drawing meets all requirements.**
- 4. Deadline for receipt of drawings by the Foundation is met. (Judging committee will meet immediately following the deadline date, so late submissions will not be accepted.)**
- 5. Teacher/volunteer Contest Coordinator form is completed and included. Each drawing must have this form attached.**

**Please submit one drawing per individual or per eligible grade level (kindergarten through grade six.)**

**Questions please contact the contest coordinator at 860-405-9166.**

**Send drawings to:**

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**Teacher/Volunteer Contest Coordinator**

**Drawing Contest**

**Please Complete**

If you are coordinating the Long Island Sound Drawing Contest at your school, please provide us with the following information, in case we need to contact you regarding your school's entries.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: (classroom teacher, art teacher, volunteer, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you coordinated this contest before? \_\_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_\_no

Would you coordinate it again? \_\_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_\_no

How many students participated in the contest at your school? \_\_\_\_\_

Please use the following space for any comments that you may have regarding the contest.

\*\*\*\*\* PLEASE FILL OUT NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS \*\*\*\*\*

Please accept our special thanks for your willingness to make the extra effort required in offering your students the opportunity to learn about Long Island Sound and the watershed and participate in this contest.

## Grade Kindergarten through Grade Six Release Form

**Please Print**

School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Male or Female \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this drawing was drawn by the individual above and agree that it may be offered for publication in the event it is selected as a state winner in the Long Island Sound Drawing Contest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian signature