

Press Release

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**Keep America Beautiful of Nash & Edgecombe Counties Names Winners of
2012 Litter Art Show**

ROCKY MOUNT, NC (April 3, 2012) - Keep America Beautiful of Nash & Edgecombe Counties has announced winners of its 2012 Litter Art Show. With support of a \$500 Community Improvement Grant from Keep North Carolina Beautiful, Inc. and NC Coca-Cola Bottlers Council, Litter Art Show winners will be awarded a plaque/medal and various prizes. All participants will be awarded a prize for participating including a bowling coupon from The Rocky Mount Bowling Center, a local sponsor of the event.

2012 Litter Art Show winners are as follows:

- Best School in the Litter Art Show** – Rocky Mount High School (*Genevieve Govoni, Art Teacher*).
- Best Overall Art in Show** – Dasean Falcon, Brian Diaz, and Jamey Vlasak created an alligator out of plastic, paper, aluminum, metal, and cardboard (*Heather Webb, Art Teacher*).
- Best Student Art in Show** – Sarah Carter and Bailey Johnson from Faith Christian School created a sea turtle out of plastic bottles, cardboard, and newspaper (*Sherry Currin, Art Teacher*).
- Best High School Art** – Christina Boykin from Southern Nash High School created a Mountain Dew Aluminum Can Fish (*Kim Foster, Art Teacher*).
- Best Middle School Art** – A group of 7th grade students from Parker Middle School created fish out of plastic bags, paper, fabric, etc. (*Marlin Mori, Art Teacher*).
- Best Elementary School Art** – 3rd grade students from D.S. Johnson Elementary School created a fish mobile out of plastic bottles (*Dawn Hamilton, Art Teacher*).

2012 Litter Art Show participating schools are as follows:

Bailey Elementary, Bennett Christian Academy, Christian Home School Association of Rocky Mount, Coker Wimberly Elementary, D.S. Johnson Elementary, Faith Christian, G. W. Carver Elementary, Konjo Kids Academy, Northern Nash High, Parker Middle, Princeville Elementary, Rocky Mount High, Southern Nash High, Tarboro/Edgecombe Christian Academy, and Winstead Avenue Elementary.

The Litter Art Show Program is part of Keep America Beautiful's litter prevention and recycling education campaign. Over 100 art pieces are on display through April 12, 2012 on the 2nd floor of The Southern Bank Foundation Bridge at The Maria V. Howard Art Center at the Imperial Centre. More than 600 students throughout the Twin County area created litter artwork and wrote about the problem litter causes our communities and the importance of recycling. This anti-litter activity is educational and it teaches students individual responsibility for improving their community environment and instills a sense of community pride.

“Our goal of displaying the students' art work and getting the word out about litter and recycling is far more than accomplished. I really believe that the Litter Art Show Program is benefiting everyone involved including the students, teachers, our sponsors, residents, and Keep America Beautiful of Nash & Edgecombe Counties”, said Cornelia McGee-Anthony, Keep America Beautiful Coordinator.

About Keep America Beautiful of Nash & Edgecombe Counties

Keep America Beautiful of Nash & Edgecombe Counties is a local certified Keep America Beautiful (KAB) affiliate. We are here to maintain and improve the beauty of the Twin Counties. We do this through mass media campaigns and uniting neighborhood groups, churches, businesses, government agencies, and service groups. Edgecombe County, Nash County, and the City of Rocky Mount provide Keep America Beautiful's basic operating budget while local businesses, civic groups, and industry provide the additional support that makes Keep America Beautiful great. For additional information, visit www.rockymountnc.gov/kab.

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