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COMMISSIONER BUSH ANNOUNCES 2021 ART CONTEST WINNERS

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AUSTIN — Today, Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush announced the 2021 Annual Adopt-A-Beach "Treasures of the Texas Coast" Children's Art Contest winners. Forty overall winners were selected from around the state, along with grand prize winner, Yunlin Chu of Richmond, TX.

“I am incredibly honored to have judged this year’s contest and am impressed by the creative artwork submitted by students from all over Texas,” said Commissioner Bush. “The Texas coast is a critical component of our state’s economy and for thousands of wildlife habitats. Each of these young students should be proud of their efforts to promote and protect our treasured Texas beaches. I congratulate this year’s winners, thank all others for their participation, and I encourage all young Texans to continue pursuing their passions and learning about coastal preservation.”

The 2021 Treasures of the Texas Coast Children’s Art Contest Winners:

K, 1st and 2nd Grades

- Charles Wu, Odessa Kilpatrick Elementary, Katy
- Livia Lu, Forever Creations, Sugar Land
- Yunlin Chu, Enya Studio, Richmond
- Xirui Wang, Enya Studio, Richmond
- Claire Ge, Free Mind Art Studio, Katy
- Jerry Pan, Enya Studio, Richmond
- Jason Xu, Forever Creations, Sugar Land
- Anamika Basu, Odessa Kilpatrick Elementary, Katy
- Mahi Shetty, Gene and Ruby Nichols Elementary, Frisco
- Jackson White, Hawkins Elementary, Hawkins

3rd– 4th Grades

- Jaden Lin, Enya Studio, Richmond

- Hailey Wang, Forever Creations, Sugar Land
- Jacob King, Saint Mary Catholic School, Orange
- Matthew Nguyen, Saint Mary Catholic School, Orange
- Jianguo (Avery) Shi, Enya Studio, Richmond
- Shom Basu, Odessa Kilapatrick Elementary, Katy
- Emily Kim, Barton Creek Elementary, Austin
- Lydia Ireland, Kay Franklin Elementary, San Antonio
- Emma Lei, Cedar Park Private Art Studio, Cedar Park
- Jayden Yiu, Dallas Arts Studio, Dallas

5th Grade

- Teja Tahkku, Keiko Davidson Elementary, Katy
- Alishia Yu, Sampson Elementary, Cypress
- Numa Malla, Forever Creations, Sugar Land
- Christina Tian, Hanjie Arts Center, Katy
- Julia Singer, Enya Studio, Richmond
- Samantha Cui, Enya Studio, Richmond
- Shaun Vickers, West Orange Stark Elementary, Orange
- Caroline Fu, Forever Creations, Sugar Land
- Evelyn Wang, Enya Studio, Richmond
- Analiah Gamino, Austin Elementary, Abilene

6th Grade

- Grace Wang, Enya Studio, Richmond
- Dan (Diana) Chen, Enya Studio, Richmond
- Yinyun Ji, Forever Creations, Sugar Land
- Kathryn Wu, Hanjie Arts Center, Katy
- Rodrigo Cruz, Truitt Middle School, Houston
- Gabriella Bartczak, Spillane Middle School, Cypress
- Jordan Mya Hemphill, Goodson Middle School, Cypress
- Gloria Harris, Flour Bluff Intermediate, Corpus Christi
- Richard Wang, Cedar Park Private Art Studio, Cedar Park
- Grace Kim, West Ridge Middle School, Austin

Of the 40 overall winners, Yunlin Chu of Richmond, Texas was selected to win the Grand Prize. Yunlin is a 1st grader at Enya Studio and will receive the grand prize package. Yunlin's teacher, Hongliang Huang, will also receive a prize package. Yunlin's artwork depicted Texas sea turtles receiving a warm embrace during the historic winter freeze this year.

The winning artwork will appear together in a 2022 calendar, which will be distributed throughout the state. This year's grand prize winner will receive two round-trip coach-class tickets from United Airlines to any United destination in the 48 contiguous United States, Alaska, Canada, Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean, one 7-night Caribbean cruise from Royal Caribbean International departing out of Galveston, Miami, Tampa, Ft. Lauderdale, Port Canaveral or Puerto Rico, and a Feed the Fish Tour at the Texas State Aquarium. The grand prize winner's teacher will also receive two round-trip coach-class tickets from United Airlines, and one 7-night Caribbean cruise courtesy of Royal Caribbean International.

All 40 winners will receive a ticket to the USS Lexington in Corpus Christi, prizes and a certificate of recognition from the Texas General Land Office and copies of the 2022 calendar displaying the winning artwork. Prizes will be mailed out by June 15th.

For a full list of winners and their artwork, see the Adopt-A-Beach Facebook.

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Grand Prize-winning artwork by Yunlin Chu from Richmond, Texas