



Tips to Make a MORE SUCCESSFUL Art Entry!



CLEARLY show the problem (storm water pollution, especially with an outfall from the storm water drainage system) AND your character! Sparkle was a 2nd grader during our 2016-2017 contest and was a winner! She drew her character BIG observing storm water pollution in his waterway.



Is it Memphis? Show some detail! And THINK about WHERE you put the elements in your piece. That is called composition and that can utilize perspective... these detail elements can make a winning piece and are illustrated wonderfully by our 2018-2019 contest winners Meadha (2nd grade) and Cooper (5th grade).



Make it COLORFUL! But don't forget about color theory and contrast! That is how colors stand out and are 'read' next to each other. Used right, it can make your character and the problem stand out- just like Mia did when she won in 2017-2018 as a 3rd grader!



Be CREATIVE! Collage, chalk, paint, markers, crayon...don't restrict yourself! Check out the textures Earnestine used to show pollution with her winning 2019-2020 entry! Earnestine was a pre-schooler. And she didn't let that limit her!