



## BLANCO COUNTY RUNS ON WATER

Art Contest

Sep 1, 2024 - Oct 15, 2024

### Contest Description:

Water is the lifeblood of Blanco County, sustaining our beautiful landscapes, nourishing our crops, and supporting our way of life. To celebrate the vital role that water plays in Blanco County, the Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District, City of Johnson City, and City of Blanco are launching an art contest to develop *locally-inspired* poster designs as part of the statewide Texas Runs on Water® campaign.

Texas Runs on Water aims to address the state's growing water supply needs by spurring action and conversation around water. By participating in this contest, you'll join a statewide movement inspiring Texans to understand and value the many ways our communities run on water. Your artwork will be a powerful tool in promoting water conservation, appearing on posters throughout Blanco County and inspiring others to take action.

The winner of the contest will have their artwork printed on posters and distributed to key community hubs in Blanco County. The grand prize winner will receive a \$2000 cash prize. There will also be a youth prize, in addition to the grand prize, for those artists under the age of 18. There is no age restriction for the grand prize.

This contest is sponsored by the Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District, City of Johnson City, and City of Blanco, with support from the Blanco County Conservation Initiative, Hill Country Alliance, and Texas Runs on Water.

### Contest Rules:

1. Artwork must be submitted/postmarked on or before October 15th. Late entries will be disqualified.
2. Artwork must be original work created by a resident of Blanco County.
3. Minors (under 18) require guardian's written permission via the Contest Entry Form and Agreement.
4. Only one piece of artwork will be accepted per person

5. Each piece of artwork must have a completed Contest Entry Form and Agreement, attached to the back with tape or a clear glue stick. The artist's name must be written on the back of the artwork.
6. By entering, artists transfer ownership and grant usage rights to the organizers.
7. Artists may use their work for personal purposes but cannot sell or license it.
8. Winners and runners-up (and their parents or guardians) agree to the use of their names to promote the Blanco County Runs on Water campaign in both print and digital media.
9. Entries may be picked up following judging and announcement of the winners.

## **Design Rules**

1. All entries must illustrate Blanco County's connection to water. The message must:
  - a. Promote the Texas Runs on Water mission of inspiring Texans to value water
  - b. Celebrate local water resources
2. Entries may not include slogans or logos. No company logos, product brands, brand names, characters (i.e., Mickey Mouse, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Barbie, etc.) or store names are allowed (i.e., McDonalds, Coke, H-E-B, 7-Eleven, etc.).
3. The artist's name must be written only on the back of the artwork. If selected, the winner's name will be announced and printed near the design.
4. Artwork must be submitted on paper no smaller than 8.5x11, and no larger than 11x17 (other acceptable dimensions are 9X12 and 11X14).
5. Artwork should be done in vertical (or "portrait") orientation.
6. Entries must not be framed or mounted.
7. All artwork must be two-dimensional, using any of the following: watercolor, acrylic or oil paints, colored pencil, colored markers, ink, charcoal, pastels and crayons. Collages, computer-generated artwork, photography, traced images or photocopies will be disqualified.
8. Each entrant agrees not to submit any entry that infringes upon any third party proprietary rights, intellectual property rights, industrial property rights, personal or moral rights or any other rights, including without limitation, copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret or confidentiality obligations or otherwise violates applicable U.S. law. Entries violating this section of the rules may be disqualified.
9. Only one design per person will be accepted.

## **Judging**

- Entries will be judged based on creativity/uniqueness, reference to Blanco County's connection to water, interpretation of the Texas Runs on Water mission, and overall visual appeal.
- All judgments are final.
- Entries will be judged by Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District, City of Johnson City, City of Blanco, Blanco County Conservation Initiative, Hill Country Alliance, and Texas Runs on Water representatives.

## Prizes

- 2 winners will be selected: a grand prize winner (\$2,000 cash prize) and a special under-18 winner (\$500 cash prize). Note: The grand prize is open to people of all ages.
- The grand prize winner will be featured on Blanco County Runs on Water Posters, which will be displayed at City Halls, the Groundwater Conservation District, and supporting businesses.
- Both winners' artwork will be featured in local papers.

## Artwork Submission

Participants must submit original designs (with Contest Entry Form and Agreement attached to the back of each) to one of the following locations:

### City of Blanco Location:

Blanco Library  
1118 Main St  
Blanco, TX 78606  
Hours: Monday-Friday, 10AM - 6PM and Saturdays 10AM - 2PM

### City of Johnson City Location:

Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District  
601 W Main St  
Johnson City, TX 78636  
Hours: Monday-Friday, 8AM - 5PM

**For more information, please contact: [bob@bccitx.org](mailto:bob@bccitx.org)**

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## BLANCO COUNTY RUNS ON WATER

### Art Contest Entry Form and Agreement

Artist First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

If under 18, please list Parent/Guardian First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (if under 18, please indicate parent/guardian email): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (if under 18, please indicate parent/guardian phone number): \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

In a few sentences, please tell us a bit about what inspired your entry and how it connects to the theme—Blanco County Runs on Water.

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**By signing this form I agree to the terms and conditions of this contest.**

Artist Signature and Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If under 18, Please include Parent/Guardian Signature & Date : \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach this form to the artwork.**