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**Earth Day Art Contest Winners Announced**

Bucyrus, OH - April 23, 2025—Congratulations to Wombat Solar’s Earth Day Art Contest winners!

Awards were given in three age groups. All 16 participants received an entry prize.

The first-place winners in each category are: High School: Bella Scenters, Grade 9; Middle School: Dwight Hartschuh, Grade 6; and Elementary School: Leah Hilliard, Grade 4. Second and third place prizes were also given.

Leah Cordy, Community Relations Director for Wombat Solar, says, “We were so impressed by the creativity and thoughtfulness these students put into their artwork. It’s inspiring to see how Crawford County youth are already thinking about the future and the role clean energy can play in it. We’re proud to celebrate their talent this Earth Day.”

All submitted artwork was displayed at the Crawford County Art Center from 1 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, April 22, Earth Day. Parents and community members were invited to view their children’s art, along with the other art on display at the center. The Crawford Art Center offered a free Earth Day craft. Drop-in visitors upcycled magazines to make beads!

The art will continue to be displayed this week during the art center’s open hours. Hours are Sunday, 2 to 6 p.m., Monday, 6 to 9 p.m., and Tuesday, 1 to 6 p.m.

Kaylee Powers, Executive Director of the Art Center says, “We are grateful to be able to partner with a wide variety of organizations in our area and create opportunities for young artists to share their work. This contest was a great way to encourage students to be creative and think about how their art can reflect the world around us.”

All art at the Crawford County Art Center has been submitted for display and sale by local member artists. The current gallery exhibition theme is "Chaos" and is available for viewing and purchase during all open hours.

**About Wombat Solar**

Our mission is to create a more sustainable future through utility-scale solar energy development. We are intentional about giving back, providing educational opportunities, and building partnerships within our rural and farm communities to ensure that future.

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Buckey Central High School Students Harper Kantzer, Jenna Cianflone, and Ella Daniel hold up their art and prizes.



Fifth Grader Isla Nolen holds up her painting of a sea turtle.



Ayla Spaniel, age 10, displays her globe drawing.



Dwight Hartschuh holds up his 1st place certificate next to his drawing titled “Going Green.”