# **Marine Education Poster Contest 2015**

Sponsored by Blue Lagoon Island & Vendors from Nassau

Dolphin Encounters-Project BEACH

# Marine Debris is NOT for Me!



Living in The Bahamas surely has its benefits, like enjoying the beautiful sun, sand and sea. What if those things weren't so beautiful anymore because they were covered with trash? Would you want to live here? Would tourists still come? Many Bahamians think that the ocean is SO BIG that there's no way it can be harmed. It's just a little trash right? Wrong! Marine debris causes serious harm to ocean animals and our environment.

Learn more about marine debris and how it challenges marine life from the MEPC 2015 Info Sheet and express your feelings through art in the Marine Education Poster Contest 2015.

DE staff will even present a FREE Marine Assembly Program at your school to introduce you to the topic "Marine Debris is NOT for Me!"

Call to book your school today and start making a difference for The Bahamas and the Ocean!

# **Poster Guidelines & Entry Rules**

Any posters that do not meet the following guidelines may be disqualified:

- Paper size must be standard letter-size (8.5 x 11 inches)
- Must be un-ruled & unlined
- Presentation may be horizontal or vertical
- Theme must be a saying OR full sentence WRITTEN on the front of the poster. NO SPELLING ERRORS.
- Art Materials used may be pens, pencils, colored pencils, markers, crayons, watercolors or paints
- NO charcoal, pastels, chalk, glitter, sand or paste-ons.
- Must be done freehand by the student. NO STENCILS or TRACING.
- NO firm or rigid backing.
- NO computer-generated graphics
- One poster per participant.

- Each participant must submit an application form.
- Posters must be delivered to Dolphin Encounters or mailed flat. Pick ups from schools or mailboats will be made upon request.
- All entries must be received by February 27th, 2015. Send entries to: M.E.P.C.

DE-Project BEACH P.O. Box SS-6257 Nassau, Bahamas



www.DolphinEncounters.com

Contest Deadline: February 27th, 2015

Here are some of the great prizes for this year's contest!

Seaventure Summer Camp at Dolphin Encounters

**Ocean Explorer's Kit** from Dolphin Encounters

**Sea Lion Encounter** at Dolphin Encounters

Beach Day Package at Blue Lagoon Island

Swim with the Dolphins at Dolphin Encounters

Snorkel Adventure at Blue Lagoon Island

#### New Student Prizes!

Each student who submits completed artwork will receive a Sea Tag Award unique to each year's competition!

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# **Contest Guidelines & Entry Rules Continued...**

#### **Eligibility**

Open to all students residing in the Bahamas within the following four contest divisions:

Kindergarten — Second Grade

Third — Fifth Grade

Sixth — Eighth Grade

Ninth — Twelfth Grade

Official Sea Tag Awards acknowledging each student's submission will be sent to all that participate at their respective schools.

#### **Entry Deadline**

All school entries must be submitted to DE-Project BEACH at the Paradise Island Ferry Terminal by February 27th or postmarked by February 21st, 2015. On request, DE-Project BEACH will pick up all applicants from any school in Nassau OR a mailboat by March 6th. Teachers MUST CALL to confirm the pick up date for their school.

#### Judging

Student/Artist

School

City

A panel of judges recognized for their work in the marine environment will be assembled to view and select winners. All decisions are final. Announcement of winning contestants will be made March13th, 2015.

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#### **Student Awards**

Each child that places in the top three slots for their grade-category will receive a reward. Award ceremony will be held at Dolphin Encounters-date in March to be announced.

#### **Teacher Awards**

The teacher for each of the first place winners will be awarded two passes to relax for the day on Blue Lagoon Island. Tickets include lunch, transportation, inflatable park access and your choice of water sports float (noodle, mat or inner tube) for the day.

#### **General Contest Rules**

Poster content must represent the artist's own perception of the theme or slogan which MUST relate to this year's contest topic.

All posters submitted will become the property of Dolphin Encounters-Project BEACH. All rights for reproduction in all media, including print, film, and/or video are assigned to the organizers and their sponsors to use as deemed appropriate to further the goals of the contest. Posters will not be returned.

#### Winners' Exhibition

Posters from participants will be scanned and posted throughout the community in recognition of student efforts to help preserve the oceans on which we depend.



If an animal is entangled or ingests marine debris... it can be deadly!



#### Any questions?

Phone: 242-394-2200 ext 318 Or 359-0278 Fax: 242-394-2244 Education@DolphinEncounters.com

Hand Deliver Posters To: **Dolphin Encounters** 

**Paradise Island Ferry Terminal** 

### **Official Application: Marine Education Poster Contest**

#### THE FOLLOWING MUST BE SIGNED BY THE STUDENT

#### **AND** THE TEACHER OR PARENT:

I have read and agree to all rules of the Dolphin Encounters-Project BEACH Marine Poster Contest and agree that my poster entry becomes the property of Dolphin Encounters-Project BEACH and its sponsors and may be displayed, published, donated or used in any way deemed appropriate to meet the goals of Project B.E.A.C.H. I certify that this poster is my original work as witnessed below by my teacher or parent.



Teacher's Name	Student's Grade Level		
		Artist's Signature	Date
Artist's Title for Poster			
		Teacher's OR Parent's Signature	Date
Student's Home Phone	Student's Email		

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