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Riverside Public Utilities Honors Winners of 19th Annual Bottled Water Label Art Contest & Scholarship Program

Riverside, Calif. – Riverside Public Utilities (RPU) presented a senior from La Sierra High School, a senior from Norte Vista High School, a senior from Woodcrest Christian High School, and a former student from La Sierra High School with top honors in its 19th Annual Bottled Water Label Art Contest at its regular Board of Public Utilities meeting Monday night.

Isabel Ayala from La Sierra, Jaelen Chavez from Norte Vista, Audrey Alexander from Woodcrest, and Gabriela Sierravigas, who graduated from La Sierra in June all received a \$250 scholarship and an enlargement of their artwork. Ayala and Sierravigas' art teacher Bill Miller, Chavez's art teacher Carole Coffman, and Alexander's art teacher Rhonda Thomale were also honored with gift certificates to a local art supply store.

Held in conjunction with RPU's annual "Splash Into Cash" fundraising and support opportunity for junior high and high schools in Riverside, high school art students get a chance to create their first piece of commercial artwork, which adorns bottled water given out to the schools who can use the water to support volunteers or activities groups, or raise funds for sports teams, uniforms and more.

Since 1999, RPU has recognized 42 aspiring artists through the art contest.

This year's winning entries, as well winning label artwork from the past years, can be viewed online at: <https://www.riversideca.gov/utilities/about-rpu/community-services.asp>

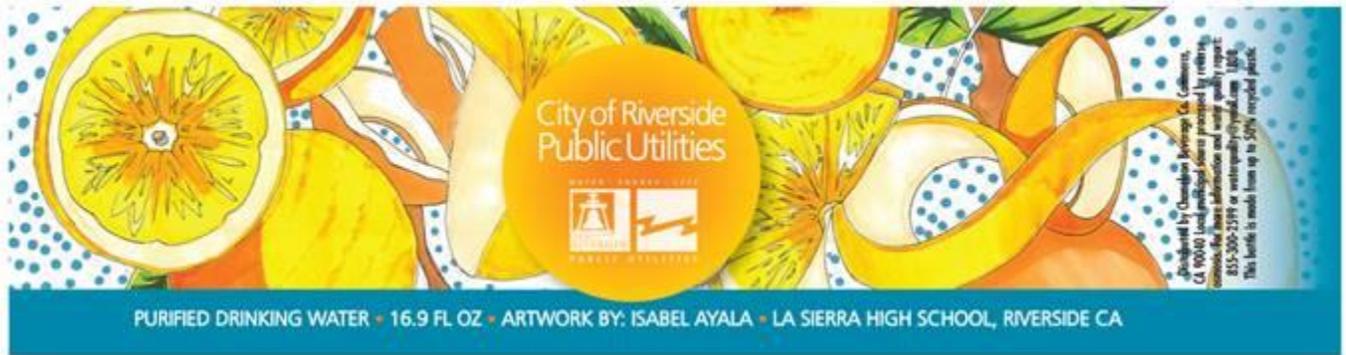
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Established in 1895, Riverside Public Utilities is a consumer-owned water and electric utility governed by a board of nine community volunteers that provides high quality, reliable services to over 106,000 metered electric customers and up to 64,000 metered water customers throughout the City of Riverside. The Utility is committed to increased use of renewable energy resources and sustainable living practices that help reduce environmental impacts within the City of Riverside and the state of California.

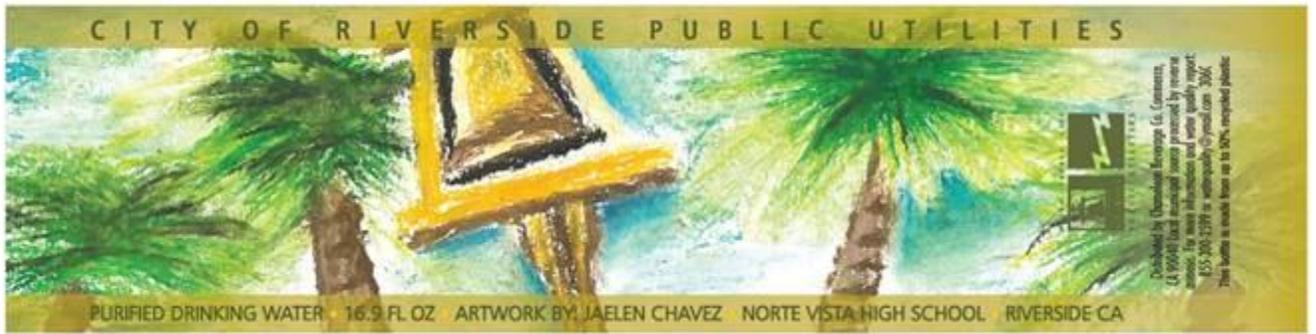
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Audrey Alexander, front left, Woodcrest Christian High School, and Gabriela Sierravigas from La Sierra High School, art teacher Bill Miller, Isabel Ayala from La Sierra High School, Jaelen Chavez from Norte Vista High School, art teacher Rhonda Thomale. (middle) art teacher Carole Coffman. (Top left to right) RPU Board members Andrew Walcker, Jo Lynne Russo-Pereyra, Gil Ocegueda, David Crohn, Vice Chair Jennifer O'Farrell, and Chair David Austin.



Isabel Ayala- La Sierra High School

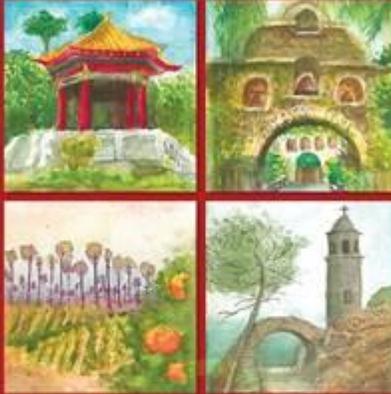


Jaelen Chavez- Norte Vista High School



Gabriela Sierravigas - La Sierra High School;

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Artwork by Audrey Alexander, Woodcrest Christian High School

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