

Oceans 2030: Youth Outlook Contest Guidelines

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Eligibility: Participants between the ages of 15-24 as of December 31, 2010 are eligible to enter. The contest is open to all legal residents of the 50 United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and Canada. Entries must be submitted by individuals or groups and not on behalf of corporate entities or organizations of any kind. Groups may consist of up to five individuals (each individual must adhere to all of the rules and regulations outlined in this document).

Entry: One submission per individual or group in one of the following media:

- Photograph – digital photograph in high resolution .jpg, .png or .gif format
- Video – short video (up to 5 minutes) uploaded via YouTube
- Graphic Art – illustration or comic (up to 3 panels) in high resolution .jpg, .png or .gif format

Each submission must also include 200 words (participants aged 15-17) or 300 words (participants aged 18-24) in .doc or .pdf file formats outlining your vision for our oceans in 2030 and why?

The submission must be your own original work. The content should express personal perspectives and identify key issues and solutions. A completed Submission Form must accompany each submission. All submitted materials will not be returned and become the property of the National Council for Science and the Environment (NCSE). All media submissions must comply with copyright rules and regulations. Sources of information and materials used (i.e. music) must be properly acknowledged and credited in the video. Submissions must be sent in by **12 midnight EST on November 22, 2010**.

Judging: Judges will select a first place, second place and third place winner for each of the media in both age categories (15-17 and 18-24) for a total of 18 winners. Entries will be judged on their originality, creativity, relevancy to theme, and compliance with terms and conditions. Honorable mentions will be awarded at the discretion of the judges.

Winners: Winners will be notified no later than December 17, 2010. Winning entries will be showcased at the Waves of Change Ocean Expo at the 11th National Conference on Science, Policy, and the Environment: Our Changing Oceans in Washington D.C. Winners will receive one complimentary registration to the conference (travel or lodging fees not included). Winners and honorable mentions will also have their entries posted online on the Encyclopedia of Earth (<http://www.eoearth.org>).

Other conditions: The National Council for Science and the Environment (NCSE) is not liable for any injuries on the participant's part during photography, filming or preparation of artwork, for broken equipment, or materials and services purchased to produce the submission. Participant assumes all responsibility for damages, injuries, and cost. NCSE reserves the right to extend the submission deadline at their discretion. NCSE reserves the right to broadcast entries once submitted. Forms of broadcast include but are not limited to streaming on the NCSE website, YouTube, NCSE Video Blog, etc. By submitting, the participant grants all broadcasting rights, title and interest to NCSE but still maintains ownership of the photograph, video or graphic art. The participant is responsible for materials and information used in the submission and must properly acknowledge and credit sources. NCSE is not responsible for copyright errors.