Celebrate World Water Day! March 22, 2016: How to Enter

1. General Info

- Open to all K-12 Québec, New York and Vermont students in the Lake Champlain Watershed.
- No purchase is necessary
- Entries must be received by no later than 4:00 PM on March 9, 2016.
- Your class or group may submit a maximum of 3 entries.

2. Originality and Plagiarism Policy

All entries must be original, and must not be a copy of any existing work. **You must have the legal right** (no copyright or license restrictions) to use any music, photos, video, or other content included in your submission. See the [Creative Commons website](https://creativecommons.org) for more information. Whether you intend to or not, claiming that someone else’s work is your own (“plagiarism”) is a serious violation of copyright law. Plagiarism and forgery result in criminal sanctions, fines and civil damages. You must be very careful to make sure that your creation(s) is original and cannot be considered the work of others. Explore water resources and share your experience with us!

3. Competition Entry Form

This contest is about celebrating all the beautiful water resources that surround us! It can be your neighborhood brook, the icicles or puddles in your yard to the far away oceans. By submitting an entry, the entrant (if 18 or older) or the entrant’s adult representative (if the entrant is under age 18):

- Certifies that the entry submitted is entirely original.
- Takes any and all legal responsibility for breaches of copyright caused by plagiarism.
- Grants CBEI partners a license to reproduce the submitted work, in whole or in part, for any purpose, including research, on the internet, in print publications and/or in any other medium without compensation of any kind and to publish the school or classroom name, grade level and home city/state/province in conjunction with the work.

If the entrant is under age 18, the adult representative assumes all liability for the entrant and indemnifies CBEI partners in respect of all matters related to the entry.

4. Judging

The CBEI partners may ask other community members to help judge the entries. Winning entries will be chosen for the following grade levels:

- Grades K – 4
- Grades 5 - 8
- Grades 9 - 12

This contest is administered by the CBEI partners who reserve the right to disqualify any entrant who violates any of the contest rules. CBEI partners reserve the right to cancel or modify the contest and/or the prizes in the event of unforeseen circumstances beyond our control. CBEI partners reserve the number of entries received.

5. Recognition Awards

Each grade level noted above will receive one or more cool awards!
Celebrate World Water Day! Complete Contest Rules:

We invite you to share your water stories with us! Be inspired by water - Lake Champlain, brooks, rivers, ponds, oceans, other US and World Lakes and other water resources worth celebrating.

In honor of World Water Day, help CBEI celebrate the beautiful water resources around us. We would love to see your original photos, writing, art and videography.

Here’s What You Need to Know!

- Open to all students in grades K-12 within the Lake Champlain watershed.
- No purchase required to enter or to receive recognition.
- Entries must be received no later than **4:00 PM on Monday, March 9, 2016**.
- Your class or group may submit a maximum of 3 entries.
- For more details see the originality and plagiarism policy on the how to enter page and competition entry form.

Identify Your Category:

- Celebrate Water
- Spread the Word
- Citizens Science and Civic Action
- Act Locally Think Globally

Pick your Presentation Format: See Category Rules that follow.

- Writing
- Art
- Photography
- Videography

Writing Rules:
Writing entries must be about water: Lake Champlain, brooks, ponds, other US or world lakes, or other water resources of your choosing.

- Entries must be 300 words or less.
- Writing entries must be received by **4:00 PM March 9, 2016** at the Lake Champlain Basin Program office, 54 West Shore Road, Grand Isle, VT 05458 or emailed to elee@lcbp.org
- A competition entry form must be completed.
Art Entry Rules:

- Art entries must be about water.
- Art entries should be no larger than 11” X 17”.
- If you wish to have your original art returned to you, you have two options: pick up the artwork at the event on March 22th or provide a self-addressed stamped envelope.
- A competition entry form must be completed.

Photography Entry Rules:

- Photography entries must be about water.
- All entries must be original.
- Use the highest setting on your camera. For the image to be clear, photos must be at least 3 megapixels, but preferably 6 megapixels or higher.
- ONLY JPEG images will be accepted
- Photographs may be emailed to lcbp@lcbp.org. The LCBP will plan to print photos in 8X10 format for exhibit purposes.
- A competition entry form must be completed.

Videography Rules:

- All entries must be about water.
- All parts of each video entry must be your original video including any music you wish to include.
- Entries must be 15-120 seconds in length.
- All entries must be uploaded to YouTube and a competition entry form must be completed. Your entry form must provide a link to the YouTube URL.

All entries due March 9th!

If you have further questions, please email chickey@lcbp.org

Please note: Recognition awards will be made per team entry. You can have as many people on your team as you wish, but the awards will be team based to encourage groups working together to celebrate water resources!
Celebrate World Water Day Contest: **Entry Form**

Name of School or Homeschool Group …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Street …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

City ………………………………………… State ……… or Province ………

Zip/Postal Code ………… 

Teacher ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Email address ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Phone ……………………………………………

Grade …………………………………

**Category:**
- ☐ Celebrate Water
- ☐ Spread The Word
- ☐ Citizen Science and Civic Action
- ☐ Act Locally Think Globally

**Presentation Form:**
- ☐ Art
- ☐ Writing
- ☐ Photography (attach photo release form)
- ☐ Videography (attach photo release form)

If completing an entry in videography, provide URL to YouTube video: ____________________________

All entries must be received by March 9, 2016
Mail to: LCBP, 54 West Shore Road, Grand Isle, VT 05458, Att: Colleen Hickey
or email at elee@lcbp.org

Celebrate World Water Day! March 22, 2016 at Main Street Landing Performing Arts Center, Burlington, VT beginning at 4:30 PM.
To view details of the event, see [http://watershedmatters.lcbp.org/watershed_matters_water_contest.html](http://watershedmatters.lcbp.org/watershed_matters_water_contest.html)