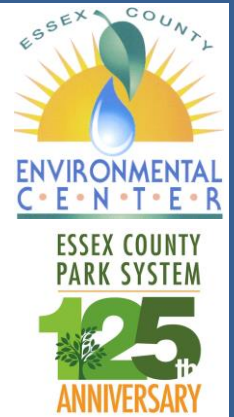




*The Making gARTbage Contest at the Essex County Environmental Center is an opportunity to creatively take single-use plastics and other waste items and turn them into exciting art. We hope the projects help create discussion and highlight the concerning abundance of these waste items in order to encourage positive change for the environment.*

*Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.*



**Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr., Essex County Executive  
And the Board of Chosen Freeholders  
Invite You to Participate in the**

# Making g'ART'bage Contest!

**A partnership program of Essex County Environmental Center  
and Essex County 4H Youth Development Program**

**This G'ART'bage (Art Through Recycling) contest will challenge youth to be creative in building a sculpture made of 90% recycled plastic. Team and individual projects are welcome. All projects will be judged, awarded ribbons and placed on public display during the Essex County Environmental Center Earth Day Celebration held on Saturday, April 25, 2020, from 11am-4pm.**

**Entry deadline and project drop-off will take place on  
Saturday, April 18, 2020, from 12pm to 2pm at Essex County  
Environmental Center, Garibaldi Hall, 621A Eagle Rock Avenue,  
Roseland, NJ**

**Participating project exhibitors are asked to RSVP to Essex 4H  
with any questions and their intention to participate at  
[essex4h@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:essex4h@njaes.rutgers.edu) or 973-353-1337.**

**\*CONTEST SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE**



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# G'Art'Bage Art Rules and Information

This contest is part of the Essex County Spring Fair Project Showcase: Division 7, Class 11.  
For information about additional project entrees possibilities visit <https://go.rutgers.edu/jpadmfw>

## CONTEST RULES

1. Art pieces must be a made of **90% recycled plastic**. **10% of the project can include adhesives, decorative items**, or other forms of creative arts and crafts. Paint, crayons, markers, etc. can be used for color or be creative with the materials you use (i.e. Coke boxes for red). 5. Put your name, age, grade, and school on paper and attach it to your creation.
2. **All Youth** from kindergarten age to 1 year out of high school can enter projects.
3. **Projects** can be submitted by an individual or team.
4. **4-H JUDGING** uses the Danish system in which each item is evaluated against a standard. Therefore, many exhibits will receive Excellent, Very Good, or Good ratings. Ribbons are given to all project entrees and special awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize winners.
5. If there are three or more entries, one exhibit in each Division or Class may receive a rosette.  
**\*All Best in Division projects will be awarded cash prizes.**
6. **The Purpose of Contest is to** use plastic as a medium, like paint or clay, to create artwork. Although often aesthetically beautiful, the works point to the concerning abundance of these plastics in our environment.
7. **Exhibitor Tags** must accompany all entries. Tags can be filled out on the day of drop-off or can be downloaded at <https://essex.njaes.rutgers.edu/4h/docs/fairs/2019-Project-Entree-Tags.pdf>.
8. **Projects must be picked up by Saturday, May 2, 2020 or they will become the property of the Environmental Center to remain on display or be recycled.**

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### Special for G'Art'Bage (class 21)

**Excellent** – Item(s) and materials are visually compelling and go above and beyond expectations.

**Very Good** – Item(s) and materials are appropriate to the rules.

**Good** – Item(s) and materials support concept, but improvements are needed.

	EXCELLENT	VERY GOOD	GOOD	SCORING
MATERIALS				
PRODUCT				
CREATIVITY				
JUDGE'S COMMENTS				

**OVERALL RATING** (circle one)

**EXCELLENT**

**VERY GOOD**

**GOOD**