



## **Eco Challenge Poster Contest Winners Show Others the Way to Recycle**

Five young Orange County artists celebrated their selection as Eco Challenge Poster Contest winners on Friday, September 9, 2016 in a pre-game ceremony at Angel Stadium. This year's theme, "Batting for a Green Planet," focused on ways to keep green waste and food waste out of landfills, and how to recycle or reuse it in ways that benefit communities and the environment.

One winner was selected from each of Orange County's five supervisorial districts. This year's winners are:

From Supervisor Andrew Do's First District—Maverick Malfavon, 10, Santa Ana;

In Supervisor Michelle Steel's Second District—Jasmine Noh, 11, Cypress;

In Supervisor Todd Spitzer's Third District—Ellia Chai, 9, North Tustin;

In Supervisor Shawn Nelson's Fourth District—Oscar Madrid, 14, Buena Park; and,

In Supervisor and Board Chairwoman's Fifth District—Elisa Sirin, 13, Mission Viejo.

In addition to being recognized at the pre-game ceremony, the poster contest winners will serve as Bat Kids at an Angels game.

Through their poster art, participating Orange County children between the ages of eight and 14 were challenged to spread the word that it's important to recycle food waste and green waste.

This year's focus on food waste and green waste is a first step in reaching compliance with a new law that mandates programs to divert green waste and food waste in California's landfills. Organic waste accounts for more than a third of the material in California's waste stream. Collecting and processing organic materials to meet new mandates will change how we manage waste within our homes and contribute to bigger change.

The Eco Challenge is a regional program created to educate the Orange County community on how to reduce, reuse, and recycle with the goal of preserving our natural resources and landfill capacity for current and future generations. The Eco Challenge program is presented by the County of Orange—OC Waste & Recycling in partnership with Discovery Cube and Angels Baseball.

Families can "Take the Eco Challenge" by visiting the interactive Eco Challenge exhibit at Discovery Cube OC and participating in the various Eco Challenge collection events throughout the year.

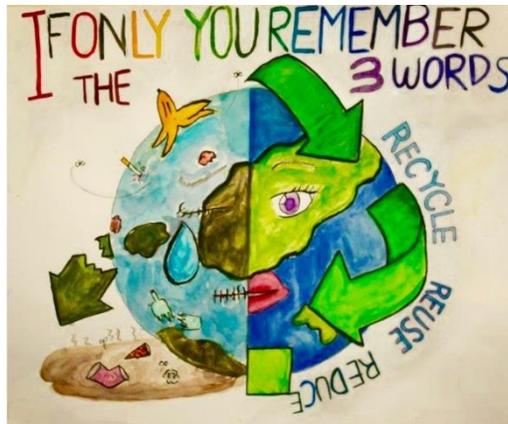
Next year's poster contest will pose a new theme for Orange County's young artists. Look for poster contest information in early 2017 at the [oceanfills.com](http://oceanfills.com) Eco Challenge page.

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## 2016 Eco Challenge Poster Contest Winners



District 1  
Maverick Malfavon,  
age 10, Santa Ana



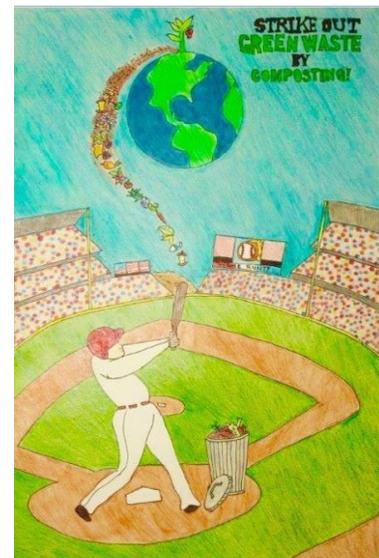
District 2  
Jasmine Noh, age 11,  
Cypress



District 3  
Ellia Chai, age 9,  
North Tustin



District 4  
Oscar Madrid,  
age 14, Buena Park



District 5  
Elisa Sirin, age  
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