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Commissioner Buckingham Announces Winner of the 28th Annual Treasures of the Texas Coast Children's Art Contest

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AUSTIN — Today, Texas Land Commissioner Dawn Buckingham, M.D. announced Ivan Fang of Katy as the Grand Prize Winner of the 28th Annual Treasures of the Texas Coast Children's Art Contest. Ivan is a 5th-grade student at Enya Studio. Ivan's artwork features a crab carrying a NASA shuttle, a cityscape, and a sign announcing "It's Time to Travel."

"As Land Commissioner, it has been a joy to see the incredible artwork submitted by Texas students through the Annual Treasures of the Texas Coast Children's Art Contest," said Commissioner Buckingham. "Every unique piece represents the next generation's love for the Texas coast and our bright future in coastal preservation and recreation. I congratulate Ivan Fang on his grand prize-winning artwork and encourage all eligible students to submit their creations to next year's art contest."

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Ivan will receive one 6-8-night Caribbean cruise for two from Royal Caribbean International and a copy of the book "The Big Beach Cleanup" courtesy of author Charlotte Offsay. Ivan's teacher, HongLiang Huang, will also receive one 6-8-night Caribbean cruise for two courtesy of Royal Caribbean International and a gift card to an art supply store from the Texas General Land Office's (GLO) Adopt-A-Beach program.

All 40 student winners will receive two tickets to Schlitterbahn, one ticket to the USS Lexington, a coupon from Texas State Aquarium, prizes from Adopt-A-Beach, a certificate of recognition from the GLO, and copies of the 2025 Adopt-A-Beach calendar displaying the winning artwork. The Grand Prize Runner-Up will receive an additional prize from Adopt-A-Beach. Students in the Honorable Mention category will receive a certificate of appreciation from the GLO and a gift from Adopt-A-Beach.

A complete list of winners and digital copies of the winning artwork can be found here.

The GLO would like to thank our Art Contest sponsors who donated fabulous prizes for our students: Royal Caribbean International, Schlitterbahn, the USS Lexington, the Texas State Aguarium, and author Charlotte Offsay.

Texas State Aquarium, and author Charlotte Offsay. The Treasures of the Texas Coast Children's Art Contest is held annually by the Texas General Land Office's Adopt-A-Beach program—a volunteer-based program dedicated to preserving and protecting Texas beaches. To learn more about the program and for upcoming events, visit *TexasAdoptABeach.org*.