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PRESS RELEASE

St. John's, NL, April 22, 2010.....Protected Areas Association of Newfoundland & Labrador (PAA) is pleased to announce the winners of this year's art competition, **Art, Biodiversity, Climate Change**. Over 200 submissions were received from all over the province and artwork was chosen in four categories, Primary, Elementary, Junior High and High School.

Primary: 1st Erina White - Morris Academy, 2nd Eliza Young – Lake Crest, 3rd Sienna Young – Lakecrest.

Elementary: 1st Victoria Jackman – Mount Pearl Intermediate, 2nd Rebecca Leyte – Hazelwood Elementary, 3rd Nathan Slaney – St. Lawrence Academy. Honourable Mentions go to Samantha Pope – MacDonald Drive, Heather Payne – Main River Academy, and Jake Bonnell – St. Francis Elementary.

Junior High: 1st Jeff Jollymore, 2nd Justin Furlong, 3rd Erine Codner, all of Holy Trinity Torbay.

High School: 1st Chelsea Doyle – St. Kevin's, 2nd Lindsey Marche – Stephenville High School, 3rd Robyn Smith – St. Kevin's. Honourable Mention goes to Chantal Connors – Holy Trinity.

“We'd like to thank these young artists who have put so much effort into their submissions”, says Executive Director, Laura Jackson. “All the first place winners will have their original artwork mounted and receive other prizes; we have great prizes for 2nd, 3rd and Honourable Mention as well. Everyone who entered the contest will receive a small gift along with our appreciation. We have this contest every year to help further environmental awareness among our young people and we feel it provides a fun way to do that.”

Further information and a list of prizes can be found at www.paanl.org

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