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## **Kao Announces Winners of the Eleventh Kao International Environment Painting Contest for Children**

Kao Corporation is pleased to announce the winners of the Eleventh Kao International Environment Painting Contest for Children. This year, 12,884 entries were received from all over the world.

The contest has been held annually since 2010 and aims to encourage children around the world to think seriously about conservation of the environment around them and to take action in everyday life. Kao will continue to engage in inspiring more people to think about their surrounding environments and lifestyles through these paintings, which are exhibited in various locations throughout Japan, as well through a book published featuring the selected works.

### 1. Results



**“eco together”- Planet Earth Grand Prix**

Name: Liang-En Yu (8 years old, Taiwan)

Title of work: The Color of Future

Prize	Name of the Winner	Age	Residential Area
“eco together” – Planet Earth Grand Prix (1)	Liang-En Yu	8	Taiwan
“eco together”– Kao Prize (8)	Jing Fen Huang	10	Taiwan
	Patricia Miao	13	Taiwan
	Rebeca Marcos De Hevia	13	Spain
	Sanskruti Vinod Ahire	13	India
	Sippakorn Songkhao	14	Thailand
	Sophie Naysa Gunawan	10	Indonesia
	Trang Mai Nguyen	15	Vietnam
	Xue Xi Wang	6	Singapore
Eco Friend Prize / Jury’s Special Prize (7)	Please refer to the appendix list of winners.		
Eco Friend Prize (16)			
Group Prize (5)			

\*Names are in alphabetical order. For details, please refer to the appendix list of winners.

\*Prize-winning paintings and the final screening scenes will be posted on the Kao Corporation website.

## 2. Contest Outline

- Theme:** “Together, we are eco-friendly”  
Please think about what we can do to protect our precious global environment and pass it on to future generations, and express your thoughts freely in your entry work.
- Eligibility:** Children around the world between the ages of 6 and 15 years
- Organized by:** Kao Corporation

## 3. Selection Details

- Final judgment date:** October 14, 2020
- Total entries:** 12,884 paintings (1,302 works from Japan and 11,582 works from abroad)
- Judges:** Mr. Fumikazu Masuda: Chair of Judges, Former Professor, Tokyo Zokei University  
Ms. Sumiko Okubo: Artist  
Mr. Kei Matsushita: Professor, Tokyo University of the Arts  
Ms. Yoko Oyamada: Artist, Illustrator  
Mr. Andreas Schneider: Designer  
Mr. Yasunori Hosokawa: Director, Kao Eco-Lab Museum, Kao Corporation  
Mr. Naoto Katahira: President, Creative, Kao Corporation

## 4. Cancellation of Awards Ceremony and Exhibition

The awards ceremony for the top prize winners, which was scheduled for December, as well as the exhibition of award-winning paintings at the awards ceremony, had to be cancelled due to prevent the spread of COVID -19 and to ensure the safety of all guests and visitors.

### About Kao

Kao creates high-value-added products that enrich the lives of consumers around the world. Through its portfolio of over 20 leading brands, such as *Attack*, *Bioré*, *Goldwell*, *Jergens*, *John Frieda*, *Kanebo*, *Laurier*, *Merries* and *Molton Brown*, Kao is part of the everyday lives of people in Asia, Oceania, North America and Europe. Combined with its chemical division, which contributes to a wide range of industries, Kao generates about 1,500 billion yen in annual sales. Kao employs about 33,000 people worldwide and has 130 years of history in innovation. Please visit the Kao Group website for updated information.

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