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Contest Winners Prove the World Belongs to Drug-Free Kids

July 14, 2004, Alexandria, Va. — The National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) is pleased to announce the winners of its annual “Drug-Free Kids” calendar art contest. Children in grades K-12 from across the nation who live in affordable, multifamily housing participated in the contest. Also, for the first time this year, elderly/disabled residents of affordable housing also were invited to participate in the contest, which was themed, “Come Share My World.” Winners were selected by a panel of independent judges on June 22 at NAHMA headquarters in Alexandria, Va.

The grand prize winner from among thousands of entrants is Brianna Nkemeh, a 16-year old student who lives at Universal City, in Chicago, Illinois. Her poster art will be featured on the cover of the NAHMA 2005 “AHMA Drug-Free Kid” Calendar. (AHMA is the acronym of the Affordable Housing Management Associations that are regional affiliates of NAHMA.) Brianna also will be treated to an all-expense paid trip for two to Washington, D.C., to take part in a special event at NAHMA’s national meeting in October.

With the annual “AHMA Drug-Free Kid” art/calendar contest now in its 18th year, NAHMA for the first time expanded it to include both children and elderly/disabled residents. Participants were asked to “share their world” by creating their own art/multi-media project that demonstrates a positive message to youth about staying in school and reaching for the stars by staying away from drugs and gangs.

Brianna’s artwork was selected from more than 130 regional winners who entered contests hosted by their local AHMAs. An independent committee of judges selected 13 winning national entries, and an additional 18 national honorable mentions. The winning national entries will be included in the 2005 NAHMA calendar, and each winner will receive an educational scholarship from the NAHMA Educational Foundation.

Orders for the full-color calendar will be taken beginning in September. Quantity personalized calendars also are available.

Contest winners, and honorable mentions, are listed on the following pages.

The Winners:

Grand Prize Winner

Name: Brianna Nkemeh
Age: 16
City/State: Chicago, IL
Property: Universal City
Mgmt. Company: CAMCO, Inc.
AHMA: MAHMA

Name: Juan Lopez
Age: 8
City/State: Worcester, MA
Property: Stratton Hill Park
Mgmt. Company: Corcoran Management
AHMA: NEAHMA

Name: Jennifer Dawn Floyd
Age: 18
City/State: The Woodlands, TX
Property: Holly Creek Apts.
Mgmt. Company: LBK Management
AHMA: AHMA East Texas

Name: Flora Ng
Age: 16
City/State: Boston, MA
Property: Castle Square Apts.
Mgmt. Company: WinnResidential
AHMA: NEAHMA

Name: Fayanna Weasel
Age: 14
City/State: Missoula, MT
Property: Council Groves Apts.
Mgmt. Company: Tamarack Property Mgmt.
AHMA: AHMA MPD

Name: Ieshia Robinson
Age: 11
City/State: Alachua, FL
Property: Sherwood Apts.
Mgmt. Company: Royal American
AHMA: SAHMA

Name: Jonathan Alvarez
Age: 8
City/State: Palo Alto, CA
Property: Arastradero Park Apts.
Mgmt. Company: Palo Alto Housing Corp.
AHMA: AHMA NCN

Name: Joseph Denning
Age: 13
City/State: Fayetteville, AR
Property: Washington Plaza Apts.
Mgmt. Company: Wedge Management Co.
AHMA: SWAHMA

Name: Ashley Casas
Age: 11
City/State: La Habra, CA
Property: Las Lomas Gardens
Mgmt. Company: G&K Management
AHMA: AHMA PSW

Name: Jackie Garza
Age: 12
City/State: Edinburg, TX
Property: Sherwood Apts.
Mgmt. Company: Wedge Management Co.
AHMA: SWAHMA

Name: DeAndrè Patterson
Age: 13
City/State: Philadelphia, PA
Property: Montgomery Townhouses
Mgmt. Company: Interstate Realty Mgmt. Co.
AHMA: JAHMA

Name: Ronald Willis, Jr.
Age: 18
City/State: Dallas, TX
Mgmt. Company: Marcrum Management
AHMA: SWAHMA

Name: Iona Strickland
Age: Senior
City/State: Kettering, OH
Mgmt. Company: Wallick Properties Midwest
AHMA: MAHMA

Honorable Mentions:

Meghna M. Bhatt
Age: 12
City/State: Roseville, CA
Property: Santa Clara Terrace
Mgmt. Company: Eugene Burger Mgmt.
Corp.
AHMA: AHMA NCN

Demetria Boykin
Age: 16
City/State: Chicago, IL
Property: Parkway Gardens
Mgmt. Company: American Apartment
Mgmt.
AHMA: MAHMA

Nicole Carmichael
Age: 10
City/State: Philadelphia, PA
Property: 8 Diamonds
AHMA: PennDel

Sage Crofutt
Age: 9
City/State: St. Joseph, MO
Property: Northwood Terrace Apts.
AHMA: AHMA 7

Judy Ann Eriksen
Age: Senior
City/State: Riverside, CA
Property: Santa Fe Apts.
Mgmt. Company: R.P.K. Development Corp.
AHMA: AHMA PSW

India Henderson
Age: 5
City/State: Washington, DC
Property: R Street Apts.
Mgmt. Company: NDC Real Estate Mgmt.
AHMA: Mid-Atlantic AHMA

Jeremy Hilerio
Age: 12
City/State: Toms River, NJ
Property: Winteringham Village
Mgmt. Company: Interstate Realty Mgmt.
AHMA: JAHMA

Yuriria Martinez
Age: 13
City/State: Brownsville, TX
Mgmt. Company: Love Management
Company, Inc.
AHMA: SWAHMA

Walter Mills
Age: 18
City/State: Greenville, SC
Property: Shemwood Crossing
Mgmt. Company: Rental Property
Management
AHMA: SAHMA

Jazmin Moreno
Age: 7
City/State: The Woodlands, TX
Property: Fawn Ridge Apts.
Mgmt. Company: Westmark
AHMA: AHMA East Texas

Manuel "Tony" Moreno
Age: Senior
City/State: Pasadena, CA
Property: The Green Hotel
Mgmt. Company: G&K Management
AHMA: AHMA PSW

Ilona Palamarchuk
Age: 14
City/State: Lynnwood, WA
Property: Lincoln Way Apts.
Management Company: Intercommunity
Mercy Housing
AHMA: AHMA NW-WA

Honorable Mentions (continued)

Sarah Paris
Age: 16
City/State: El Cajon, CA
Property: Lexington Green Apts.
Mgmt. Company: Apartment Constructors,
Inc.
AHMA: AHMA PSW

Simon James Pepin
Age: 7
City/State: Columbia Falls, MT
Property: Columbia Villa
Mgmt. Company: Tamarack Property Mgmt.
Co.
AHMA: AHMA MPD

Jacob Rogers
Age: 16
City/State: S. Sioux City, NE
Property: Canterbury Village Apts.
Mgmt. Company: Canterbury Village Apts.
AHMA: AHMA IA/NE

Omar Siddiqi
Age: 12
City/State: Braintree, MA
Property: Braintree Village
Mgmt. Company: Peabody Properties, Inc.
AHMA: NEAHMA

Jesus M. Tovar
Age: 17
City/State: Pasadena, CA
Property: Community Arms Apts.
Mgmt. Company: Barker Management
AHMA: AHMA PSW

Community Project
City/State: Grand Junction, CO
Property: Monument Ridge Town Homes
Mgmt. Company: Monfric Realty, Inc.
AHMA: AHMA MPD

NAHMA's members manage more than 50 percent of all privately owned, government-assisted housing and provide quality affordable housing to over two million Americans. The association advocates for affordable, quality, multifamily housing by bringing nationwide attention to the need for preserving decent, safe and sanitary housing, and advocates for establishment of industry standards for affordable housing professionals. NAHMA encourages creation of public/private partnerships among property owners and managers, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Congress and others with an interest in preserving affordable housing.

For more information about the calendar contest, 2005 calendars, NAHMA or the AHMA in your region, contact NAHMA or visit www.NAHMA.org.

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