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Helix Water District Announces 2021 Lake Jennings Spring Photo Contest Winners

Helix Water District is proud to announce the winners of the 2021 Lake Jennings Spring Photo Contest, with this year's first place in the adult category going to photographer Johnathan Bradley of Lemon Grove for his image titled Open Field.

Now in its 10th year, the contest drew 61 entries from throughout the county. This year's theme was *Life* at the Lake, and each of the entries highlighted the unique beauty of camping, fishing, hiking, spotting wildlife and enjoying the view at Lake Jennings. The contest was available to photos taken between March 1 and May 31, 2021, and also included 11 entries from March 2020 who entered before the pandemic closed the lake and the contest. The following photographers took top honors:

Adult Category:

First Place – Johnathan Bradley, Open Field
Second Place – Johnathan Bradley, Sun Star
Third Place – Jeff Morin, Ladies on a Lunch Break
Honorable Mention – Erik Hyman, Deep Pier

Youth Category:

First Place – Aaron De'Souza – Cacti by the Lake Second Place – Gabriel Heilpern, Fishing on the Lake Third Place – Lillian Heilpern, Trees with Reeds

Board of Directors

Daniel H. McMillan, President Mark Gracyk, Vice President DeAna R. Verbeke, Division 2 Kathleen Coates Hedberg, Division 4 Joel A. Scalzitti, Division 5 "This year's contest had photographers from all over the county and even some international participants." said Kira Haley, Recreation Manager at Lake Jennings. "Our photo contest visitors brought the lake to life through their experiences camping, fishing, watching wildlife and exploring the many trails and vistas of the lake."

The district honored the winning photographers at an awards ceremony via Zoom on Wednesday, June 23 at 3 p.m during its Committee of the Board meeting. The winning photos are also available on Lake Jennings' Facebook page at facebook.com/LakeJennings and on the district's website at https://example.com/hateJennings and on the district of the distric

Helix Water District provides water treatment and distribution for 277,000 people in the cities of El Cajon, La Mesa and Lemon Grove, the community of Spring Valley and areas of Lakeside -- east of downtown San Diego. Helix also provides treated water to neighboring Padre Dam, Otay and Lakeside water districts. Lake Jennings is one of two reservoirs that Helix Water District owns and has a storage capacity of 9,790 acre-feet. Located at 10108 Bass Road in Lakeside, Lake Jennings is open to the public for boating, fishing, camping and hiking.

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