

## **Visalia girl's drawing featured in 2016 calendar**

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A picture drawn by a Visalia second grader is one of 15 pictures by school-age artists from the Valley featured in the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District's 2016 Healthy Air Living Kids' Calendar.

The drawing by Katie Heinks and the other pieces of art chosen were among about 300 submitted for the district's annual 13-month calendar with drawing promoting healthy air by elementary- to high school-age students in the eight Valley counties.

"The creative and colorful drawings illustrate a monthly clean-air message in both English and Spanish," states a press release from the district.

Heinks' crayon drawing, which is the June picture, shows a group of mushroom-like cars driving along a road on a bright day with "Carpool for Healthy Air. Save Miles, Create Smiles" written across the sky.

A total of 20,000 calendars have been printed and are being distributed to the public for free by schools, community groups, healthcare facilities, churches, civic organizations and non-profit groups across the Valley.

Calendars also can be requested by emailing the Air Pollution Control District at [public.education@valleyair.org](mailto:public.education@valleyair.org) or by calling one of the district's offices in Fresno, Modesto and Bakersfield. Phone numbers and addresses for them are available online [www.valleyair.org](http://www.valleyair.org).