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NWC SPONSORS JCDC CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION

The National Water Commission, in keeping with its outreach initiatives, provided sponsorship for the Jamaica Cultural Development Commission's (JCDC) 2018/2019 Creative Writing Competition, specifically the speech and drama components with the theme "Water is Life, do the right thing: Conserve and Save."

The competition, which culminated with an awards ceremony at the Jamaica Pegasus on Monday, August 12, 2019 helped to raise awareness about the importance of water conservation through original speech and drama pieces.

In commenting on the NWC's involvement Acting Corporate Public Relations Manager, Ms. Teisha-Ann Pinnock underscored that "the competition served as a crucial talking point about water and the need to promulgate conservation especially during periods of drought." In her remarks at the function, Ms. Pinnock highlighted that "as a major sponsorship partner, the NWC believes wholeheartedly in the development of the country through the strengthening of Jamaica's talent and the growth of its people. This competition is directly aligned with our belief as it provides an excellent platform for Jamaican writers to gain exposure and validation."

The NWC presented trophies and cash awards in the adult category, to winners from various parishes, who scripted pieces capturing the water related theme. The winners included Mr Kenneth Grant who received the gold award for his piece, 'Conserve water, it's precious'; Miss Nardia Grant who received a silver award for her submission 'Water is life - Therefore the Conservation and Management of Water is Critical to Driving Sustainable Development and

our Continued Survival." Merit awards were also presented to Shauna-Gaye Anderson, Sondeo Sloley and Marlon Reid from the parishes of St. James and Trelawny.

The Company remains committed to forging partnerships which contribute to discussions about the preservation of water sources and water conservation.



Pictured here are: (left to right) Ms. Teisha-Ann Pinnock, NWC's Corporate Public Relations Manager (Acting); Ms. Nardia Grant, Outstanding Writer; Mr. Rohan Facey, Best Overall Writer; Ms. Colette B. Robinson, Special Writer; Ms. Sophia Salmon, NWC Senior Public Relations Officer (Acting).

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