

Q&A WITH RECYCLE RAE

Recycle Rae,

I have a bar and we currently participate in the business recycling program. However, every St. Patrick's day we generate a huge amount of recycling. Is there a limit to the amount of recycling we can set out every week?

-Patty O'Malley

Dear Patty O'Malley,

I can only imagine how busy you all get on St. Patty's Day. It is understandable that you would generate much more recycling than usual. Fortunately there is no limit to the amount of recycling you can set out each week. Your recycling bin is a pot of gold for the environment so feel free to fill it up!

-Rae

Submit your own questions by emailing them to: Rakiya-rae.wallace@baltimorecity.gov



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Erika Kim Milenkovic – *Building*
(paper, cardboard, twine)



Stephen Towns – *Brown Bag Test* (Paper Bags)

Salvage

A Waste of Materials, A Wealth of Art

Paper, plastic and cardboard are all things you would typically find in a recycle bin. But the Baltimore City Office of Recycling challenged artists to use these materials to create works of art and the *Salvage: A Waste of Materials, A Wealth of Art* exhibit was born.

The *Salvage* art exhibition (sponsored by Waste Management) will be displayed at the Baltimore Public Works Museum building from March 23 – May 18, 2013. The exhibition will be open to the public Fridays and Saturdays from 1p.m. to 6p.m. until May 18, 2013 (with the exception of March 29 as city offices are closed).

Join us for opening night,

March 22, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. adorned in your finest recycled materials to celebrate the opening of this dynamic event. The exhibit will include 2-D and 3-D artworks work from local and regional artists and will be juried by an expert panel of judges. Three winning pieces will be awarded prizes with first place winning \$500!

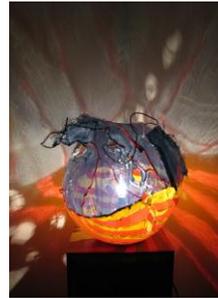
Salvage is the kick-off event for the *Drive to 35: Baltimore's Race to Reach a 35% Recycling Rate* campaign and strives to energize and inspire residents to increase their recycling efforts. For more information please visit: <http://publicworks.baltimorecity.gov/Recycling/Salvage.aspx>



Katie Chen – *Triptych* (Magazine Clippings)



Brian Baker – *Avatar* (Paper Clippings)



Shahzad Taavoni – *Sirens of Heaven* (Plastic)



Winston Harris – *Amber Cracker Stallion* (Paper)



Heather Joi – *Eternally Lit Air Prayer Mail* (Paper)

Composting 101

What is composting:

It is nature's process of 'recycling' organic waste into nutrient dense soil known as compost.

Why is composting good for the environment:

Yard and food waste make up 30% of the waste stream. Composting food and yard clippings help divert that waste from the landfill, waterways and water treatment facilities.

What do I need to start composting:

Food waste, yard trimmings and a pest proof composting bin. It is recommended to get steel stucco netting from your local hardware store to line the bottom of the bin which will further deter pests.

Where can I get a compost bin:
Baltimore County is having a sale in April

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2013 - This is a rain or shine event.

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m

Location: In the auxiliary parking lot of The AVENUE at White Marsh, Located off Town Center Drive, behind the AMC Theaters.
Price: Compost Bin \$35 (includes sales tax), Rain Barrel \$50 (includes sales tax) - Cash, checks, or credit cards accepted.
- First come, first served - while supplies last.

Bin (2 pieces) fits in all cars; barrel (1 piece) fits in most cars.

You need not be a Baltimore County resident to purchase a bin/barrel.

Information: Call 410-887-2000, www.baltimorecountymd.gov/recycling



Re reminders

No Trash or Recycling Pickup on Good Friday

City offices and sanitation yards will be closed on March 29, 2013 for Good Friday. As a reminder there will be no trash or recycling pickup on Friday, March 29, 2013.

Whenever your trash or

recyclables are not picked up because of a holiday, the following Saturday will be your automatic make-up collection day.

If your trash or recycling day falls on Friday, March 29, your collection make up day will be Saturday, March 30, 2013.

Hazardous Waste Returns April 5

Hazardous waste collection commences this year on April 5, 2013. For more information on acceptable materials please visit <http://publicworks.baltimorecity.gov/Recycling/HouseholdHazardousWaste.aspx>

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule for 2013:

April 5 and April 6, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

May 3 and May 4, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
June 7 and June 8, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
July 5 and July 6, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
August 2 and August 3, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
September 6 and September 7, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
October 4 and October 5, 2013 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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