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Spotlight on underground rivers

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Part of Burnley town centre was transformed into an art gallery to showcase the town's underground rivers.

The Hide and Seek Rivers exhibition was held in the bandstand in St James's Street and gave visitors the chance to find out more about the hidden waterways.

The display was made up of a shortlist of 40 photographs entered in a competition to capture the Brun and Calder rivers and more than 260 people voted for their favourites.

Families also helped to create some giant river-themed pavement art display with the help of Liverpool street artists Urban Canvas.

Victoria Deschurst, community engagement manager for the River Ribble Trust, who organised the event in partnership with Mid Pennine Arts, said: "The event was about raising awareness of the rivers and reprofiling them."

The prize winners of the Hide and Seek Urban River photograph competition were:

Good Aspects: Winner, Craig Simpson; runners up, Stephen Johnson, Mike For-

ty, Richard Harvey Morgan. Bad Aspects: Winner, David Jagg; runners up, David Jagg, Adrian Sutcliffe, Jack Howarth, Zoe Greenhalgh. People's Choice: Winner, Stephen Johnson.

