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Please submit your entries to contacts as shown for each contest. AMGC can arrange with Art and ELA teachers to pick up entries at schools. All contests are judged locally; winning entries then go to next levels for judging: District V, State, South Central Region, National; winners will be notified late Spring, 2024 and receive awards.

National Poetry Theme: "I Spy With My Little Eye, Something Green Outside - Celebrating Our Green World"



Eligibility: K - 9th Grade for General Education, Special Ed, ESL

Guidelines: All entries must be typed and titled. Poems, including title, should be no longer than 24 lines with max of 42 letters/spaces per line. Poems do not have to rhyme. Poems may be traditional verse, acrostics, blank verse, cinquains, diamond poems, limerick or Haiku. The **theme should not** be used as the title to any poetry. When choosing your poem title, please be creative and incorporate the theme: "I Spy With My Little Eye, Something Green Outside". All entries become the property of National Garden Clubs, Inc. National winning entries will be compiled into a booklet which is published on the National website.

Scale of Points: Title = 10% Content = 40% Creativity = 30% Style = 20%

Poetry Contest Rules & Entry Form: <https://amgardenclub.com> Complete the Poetry Form 2023-24

Submission: Email a pdf of your poem and the completed poetry entry form to: j-cohen@aggienetwork.com

You may send a paper copy of your poem and the entry form to: A&M Garden Club, P O Box 10892, College Station TX 77842

Poetry Contact: Jane Cohen j-cohen@aggienetwork.com home phone: 979-690-3500

National Recycle Sculpture Theme: "Encouraging Youth to Keep Our Planet Green"



Eligibility: 4th grade thru 8th grade

Guidelines: Sculptures must consist of recyclable, reused and reduced materials. Size of the sculpture must fit on a letter sized page: 8 ½ x 11 inches. Entries should include as many photographs as can be printed on the back of the entry form but two 4" x 6" photographs are recommended.

Scale of Points: Creative use of materials & self expression = 60% Description of sculpture & materials used = 30% Craftsmanship & technique = 10%

Sculpture Contest Rules & Entry Forms: <https://amgardenclub.com> Complete both the AMGC and the NGC Youth Sculpture Contest forms.

Submission: Include BOTH forms, but NOT your actual sculpture, ONLY pictures!

Sculpture Contact: Susie Ohendalski: susieo.1976@gmail.com cell: 713-553-0791

Due Date for All Contests is Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2023

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National Smokey Bear / Woodsy Owl Poster Contest dedicated to Smokey's 80th Birthday!



Eligibility: 1st grade thru 5th grade

Guidelines: Posters are to be completed by individual student artists. All posters must feature Smokey Bear. Posters must have correct spelling (posters with spelling errors will be disqualified). Smokey Bear posters must include Smokey's wildfire prevention message: **"Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!"** Woodsy Owl posters to include **"Lend a hand—care for the land!"** Each poster entry should be 11 x 17 inches in size. Choice of paper color and texture is up to the student. Materials that

can be used include: crayons, markers, poster paints, watercolors and the like. No three-dimensional posters, computer-scanned, or electronically generated images will be accepted. Smokey Bear must be presented in his correct colors (he is an official icon protected by law) check the colors on the website:

www.fs.usda.gov/learn/kids or www.symbols.gov All posters should encourage children to take a personal role in preventing wildfires or conserving natural resources. All entries become the property of National Garden Clubs, Inc.

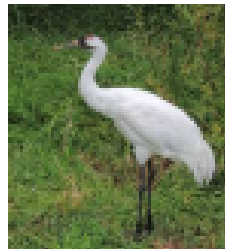
Scale of Points: Originality=20% Design=20% Slogan=20% Artwork=20% Overall Effectiveness of Message=20%

Smokey & Woodsy Poster Rules & Entry Form: <https://amgardenclub.com>

Submission: Complete the A&M Garden Club Youth Poster Contests Entry Form 2023-2024 and attach to the back right corner of the entry.

Smokey or Woodsy Poster Contact: Denise Littlejohn dmlittlej2@gmail.com cell: 979-229-2924

South Central Regional Bird Poster Contest Subject: Whooping Crane Grus americana



Eligibility: 4th grade thru 8th grade

Guidelines: Posters must feature the SCR Bird of the Year – Whooping Crane Grus Americana. Materials may include: crayons, markers, poster paints, watercolors, pencil, pen & ink, etc. Paper choice is decided by the students. The size must be submitted on an 8 ½ inch by 11 inch page. Posters may include artwork pasted upon a second piece of paper. No 3D allowed. Freehand drawing only, no computer-scanned or electronically generated images allowed. All entries become the property of the South Central Region.

Scale of Points: Originality = 25% Method = 25% Artwork = 25% Overall Effectiveness of Entry = 25%

Whooping Crane Rules & Entry Form: <https://amgardenclub.com>

Submission: Complete the A&M Garden Club Youth Poster Contests Entry Form 2023-2024 and attach to the back right corner of the entry. South Central Region (SCR) includes four states: Place a sheet of paper between each entry to prevent bleeding or sticking to other entries. South Central Region (SCR) includes four states: Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas

Whooping Crane Contact: Susie Ohendalski: susieo.1976@gmail.com cell: 713-553-0791

A&M Garden Club encourages civic planting, stimulates an interest in the conservation of native plants, wildlife and natural resources; studies and shares the knowledge of improved horticulture practices and plant materials and their use in landscaping and flower arranging. <https://amgardenclub.com> AMGC4U@gmail.com PO Box AMGC Youth Contests Flyer 2023-24.

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