



NGC & GCG offers wonderful opportunities to become involved in educating youth as they participate in contests.

Encourage entries and have fun with the kids!

November 15th & January 1st deadlines.



Email or U.S. Mail entries, as indicated, to designated chairmen early. Be advised of the new due date for many contests & awards. If you sponsor a Youth G.C., additional awards are available. We are here to help!

Redbud Youth Chairman Melodie Janin 678-633-0219 melodiejanin@yahoo.com
Redbud Youth Co-Chairman Susan Turner 404-502-8147 glencree@bellsouth.net

These educational opportunities through competitions are open to youth at the pre-school, elementary, middle, and high school level. Current contests include:

- [Smokey Bear & Woodsy Owl Poster Contest](#) [Poetry Contest](#) [Youth Sculpture Contest](#)
- [High School Distinguished Service Project Award](#) [Youth Pollinator Gardens Grant](#)



Smokey Bear says: “Only you can prevent wildfires!” Smokey Bear is recognized nationally and internationally as the symbol for wildfire prevention. The original Smokey Bear appeared in 1944. Smokey’s message, “Only you can prevent wildfires!” encourages personal responsibility for wildfire prevention. Smokey Bear teaches children and adults to be careful with campfires, barbecues, burning yard waste, and matches. For more about Smokey Bear visit <https://smokeybear.com>

Woodsy Owl says: “Lend a hand—care for the land!” Woodsy Owl is America’s icon for the conservation of the environment. Since 1971, Woodsy has helped parents and teachers inspire children to observe, explore, and care for the environment. He challenges children to “Lend a hand, care for the land!” and to take an active role in caring for the land through recycling, reusing, and reducing waste; gardening, planting, and caring for trees; using resources wisely; and not littering. For more about Woodsy Owl visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/learn/kids/woodsy-owl>

Use the student information label available on the GCG & NGC website or contact your chairmen.
www.gardenclubofgeorgia.org & www.gardenclub.org

Visit <https://gardenclub.org/youth-contests> for Poster Rules and Tips.
Poster Entries via US Mail to Susan Turner 3380 Glencree, NW Conyers GA 30012
Entries are due November 15th Susan Turner 404-502-8147 glencree@bellsouth.net

YOUTH POETRY CONTEST 2024-2025

THEME:

***My Garden Has Vegetables to Spare That I Can Share –
Helping Fight Hunger by
Sharing Vegetables From Our Garden***

Guidelines Include name, address, age, grade, school, sponsoring local garden club and state garden club of the poet on the back of entry. **Use the student information label available on the GCG & NGC website or contact your chairmen.** www.gardenclubofgeorgia.org & www.gardenclub.org

Length of Poems should be no more than 24 lines (including title) with a max of 42 letters/spaces per line in order to fit on a single page of the booklet.

Poems do not have to rhyme. They may be traditional verse, acrostics, blank verse, cinquains, diamond poems, limerick, or haiku.

When choosing a poem title, please be creative and incorporate the theme: “*My Garden Has Vegetables to Spare That I Can Share – Helping Fight Hunger by Sharing Vegetables From Our Garden.*” However, the theme should not be used as the title for any poem.

Eligibility, Categories and Judging Criteria Youth in **grades K-12** compete by grade-level in one of three categories: General Education, Special Education or English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL).

Additional Information <https://gardenclub.org/youth-contests> for details & updated guidelines.

Poetry Entries - Email or mail typed entries to Susan Turner, by Nov. 15th

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YOUTH SCULPTURE CONTEST 2024

Encourages fun & creative ways to *Reduce, Reuse & Recycle.*

***Due date January 1 - Info at <https://gardenclub.org/youth-contests>
GCG State Chairman Judy Johnson, 31 Dogwood Dr., Baxley, GA 31513.
912-367-7779 C: 912-278-1953 judytjohnson1953@gmail.com***

Entries may be sent to awardschairmangcga@gmail.com

The purpose of this contest is to encourage our youth to keep our planet green and to get involved with saving the environment.

- All children in 4th – 8th grades are eligible to enter, with a local garden club sponsor.
- Sculptures must consist of recycled, reused, and reduced materials.
- The sculpture is limited to a size that will fit sitting on an 8 ½" x11" sheet of paper; height should be proportionate.
- A list of materials used, and a brief description of the sculpture should be included on the entry form.
- Entry form may be found on NGC website at www.gardenclub.org
- Entries will include (2) 4"x6" photographs printed on the back of the entry form.
- Chairman should make photos of entries to provide as requested from the NGC website.
- Club entries must be sent to your State Chairman by your state's deadline.

Contact Susan Turner, Redbud District, if you have questions.

Please advise Susan if you are sending entries to the state chairman.

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Scale of Points

- Creative use of materials and self-expression 60%
- Description of sculpture and materials used 30%
- Craftsmanship and Technique 10%
- Total 100%

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- **Resources** [Sculpture Contest Entry Form](#)