

Recycled Sculpture Contest

ENCOURAGING YOUTH TO KEEP OUR PLANET GREEN

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" x 11" 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 two (2) 4"x 6" 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 by December 1st, 2026 to: Barbara Smith, PO Box 686, Clinton, Arkansas 72031

Scale of Points: Creativity...60%; Description of Sculpture & Material used...30%; Craftsmanship and Technique...10% = 100%

Poetry Contest

Celebrate America's 250th Birthday with Red, White, and Blue!

Eligibility and Categories: 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).

Rules: Entry must be typed and titled.

- Name, address, age, grade, school, sponsoring local garden club and state garden club of the poet on the back of the entry form.
- 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: “Celebrate America’s 250th Birthday with Red, White, and Blue”. However, the theme should not be used as the title to any poetry.
- All entries become the property of National Garden Clubs, Inc.
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Scale of Points: Title...10%; Content...40%; Creativity...30%; Style...20% = 100%