The Garden Club of South Carolina, Inc. 2019-2021

Youth Garden Poetry Contest - Encourage Creative Writing!

2019-2020 Theme: “Adventures in a Garden”
2019-2021 Theme: “Exploring Backyard Mysteries”

Excite and encourage students in grades K-5 through 9th grade to express and explore their creative thoughts through different types of poetry.

Eligibility: Special Education and English as a Second Language and Regular Education grades K-5 through 9th grade.

Contest Rules:

- All entries must be typed and have a title.
- Complete the GCSC Garden Poetry Entry Form (www.gardenclubofsc.org/youth), and attach it to the back of the poem.
- Sponsoring garden club may be that of a grandparent.
- All entries become the property of The Garden Club of SC, Inc.
- Poems do not have to rhyme.
- Poems may be traditional verse, acrostics, blank verse, cinquains, diamond poems, limericks, or Haikus.
- The theme should not be used as the title to any poetry. When judging, the title is worth 10 points.

Scale of Points:

- Title: 10%
- Content: 40%
- Creativity: 30%
- Style: 20%
- Total: 100%

Note: First place GCSC winners will be entered in the South Atlantic Regional Competition. Only Regional winners are considered in the judging for National Competition. Contest winners will not be allowed to win for two consecutive years. All of the National winning entries will be compiled into a booklet, which will be made available to winners.

Deadline for entries sent to GCSC District Youth Chairman: December 10

For additional information, contact Sandra Barker, 154 Pier Pointe Dr, Little River, SC 29566
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GCSC GARDEN POETRY CONTEST

Entry Form—Please Print Legibly

Child’s Name_________________________________ Grade_______ Age_______

Address______________________________________________________________________

Parent Name_________________________________________________________ Parent
email__________________________________________________________

Parent Phone Numbers________________________________________________

Name of School_____________________________________________________

Sponsoring Local Garden Club________________________________________

Sponsoring Garden Club District_____________________________________

Local Garden Club Contact Person’s Name_______________________________

Phone__________________________email______________________________

Contest Submission are Due by December 10 to District Chairmen

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