

THE SENSE OF WONDER

Rachel Carson Intergenerational Poetry, Essay, Photo and Dance Contest

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Rachel Carson was an American biologist who cared deeply about the natural world around her. In the Sense of Wonder Ms. Carson wrote "Those who contemplate the beauty of the earth find reserves of strength that will endure as long as life lasts."

To honor this environmental Pioneer, the EPA, Generations United, The Dance Exchange and the Rachel Carson Council, Inc., are sponsoring the Fifth Annual Rachel Carson Intergenerational photo, essay, poetry and dance contest "that best expresses the Sense of Wonder that you feel for the sea, the night sky, forests, birds, wildlife, and all that is beautiful to your eyes." We want you to share this love of nature with a child and others around you. When we teach our eyes and ears and senses to focus on the wonders of nature, we open ourselves to the wonders around us.

Submissions are due June 10, 2011. The finalists will be selected by a panel of judges. Then the public will be asked to vote for their favorites in each category: photography, essay, poetry and dance. Entries must be intergenerational projects involving persons from different ages and generations. The winners will be posted on our websites and announced in November.

For more information please see:

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