

National Garden Clubs, Inc. and USDA Forest Service
Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl 2005 Poster Contest
Time Line

- The flyers will be distributed to elementary schools in early fall by local Garden Club representatives.
- The poster entries must be received by the Garden Club State Poster Contest Chair no later than January 15, 2005.
- The poster entries must be received by the Garden Club Regional Poster Contest Chair no later than February 15, 2005.
- The poster entries must be received by the National Garden Club Poster Committee Chair by no later than March 15, 2005.
- The judging to select the grade level national winners must be completed by March 30, 2005.
- The Grand Prize winner will be selected by the Forest Service immediately following the national grade level winner selection.
- The Grand Prize winner must be selected and notified by the Forest Service by April 12, 2005.
- Local award ceremonies will be coordinated around and in conjunction with local Earth Day celebrations as much as possible.
- The Grand Prize winner national ceremony will be held in Washington, DC immediately after the end of the 2004-2005 school year (in early summer of 2005).
- We recommend that the 1st place National Winners for each grade level category be awarded their certificates and Savings Bonds at Earth Day presentations. We further recommend that Woodsy Owl and Smokey Bear be present at these award ceremonies if at all possible.