

**Rachel Carson: "A Sense of Wonder"
Intergenerational Poetry, Essay & Photography and Dance
Contest Entry Form**

Please complete all five sections of this form to enter the contest.

I. Contest Category

Poetry Essay Photography Dance Mixed media

II. Intergenerational Team

Team members: Check one

Related Relationship _____ (i.e. parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, great aunt, etc)
 Unrelated

*(poetry
painting
sculpture)*

III. Information of Intergenerational Team Members

Please note: One email address per team is sufficient and it is not necessary to have an email address to enter the contest. These email addresses will not be distributed and are only for EPA staff to notify finalists and winners.

First Team Member

First Name: Michele *Program Coordinator*
Middle Initial: _____ *JCA Heyman Inkrages Center*
Last Name: Bulatovic
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State: MD
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Age: 48

Second Team Member

First Name: Residents of Sunrise Senior Living Rockville
Middle Initial: _____ *c/o Kimkitta Cariah-Butler*
Last Name: _____ *Exec. Dir, Sunrise*
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City: Rockville
State: MD
Zip Code: 20850
Email Address: Rockville.ED @ sunriseseniorliving.com
Phone Number: (301) (309-0500)
Age: _____

NOTE: For Additional Team Members please provide the information for each team member.

First Name: Kindergarten and 7th Grade Classes of
Middle Initial: St. Mary's School
Last Name: _____
Street Address: 600 Veins Mill Road
City: Rockville
State: MD
Zip Code: 20852
Email Address: _____
Phone Number: (301) (762-4179)
Age: _____

c/o Carol Bowling, 7th Grade Teacher
(corran1@comcast.net)

IV. Intergenerational Description of Joint Project

Describe how you came to work on this intergenerational project, the planning process, and how your team created its finished entry. Please be sure to include what made this a special project working as an intergenerational team (up to 75 words).

Please see attachment.

V. Celebration of Rachel Carson's Sense of Wonder

Description of how this project brought the team in touch with nature (up to 75 words).

Please see attachment.

IV. This project was accomplished by residents at Sunrise Senior Living Rockville and the Kindergarten and 7th grade classes of Saint Mary's School. A total of 39 students and 15 seniors--2 groups of 7th graders & residents and 2 groups of Kindergartners & residents--collaborated under the guidance of the JCA Heyman Interages Program Coordinator. Over a six-week period the groups created a mixed media project around the theme of water. The 7th grade-senior groups imagined water--the ocean being the collective favorite--through the five senses and brainstormed words that eventually evolved into poems. They played with paint using various texturizing tools to create water paintings. The Kindergarten-senior groups shaped unique sea creatures out of clay. The coordinator assembled the materials to create this one-of-a kind intergenerational work of art.

V. Since many of the residents are physically handicapped, the 7th grade/resident groups tapped into their imaginations. Embarking on a journey using their senses, they listened to water music, caressed sea shells, viewed images and paintings of water, inhaled the fantasy sea breezes and imagined the taste of briny liquid. They got inspiration from Rachel Carson's beautiful writing and created their own poems and paintings.

The Kindergarten/resident groups learned about Carson's mission to clean up our water. They filtered visible debris from water and came up with ideas on what we can do to keep our water clear of invisible "dirt" so sea life can thrive. With thoughts of clean water and healthy fish in their minds and much joy in their hearts, they created delightful sea creatures.

Intergenerational Group Poem 1

Water Sense

On enchanted cloud I float
Emerald depths beneath me
weightless
liberated
free
Sun sparkles dance around me
Kingly gold
Magic
How generous the sea
The Giving Sea
soothes
cleanses
enchants
inspires
enlivens
elates
never judges

Transformed
I am Neptune

Intergenerational Group Poem 2

Ocean

Calming winds
Oceanic mist and sea perfume
Rolling waves upon the sea
You sing to me
You sing to me
You sing to me

Storm surges
Foaming white crests and deafening surf
Enraged breakers
Crash on the shore
Crash on the shore
Crash on the shore