

2010 Sense of Wonder Contest – U.S. EPA

3rd Place Winner – Mixed Media

Governor Morehead School for the Blind, Raleigh, NC

Intergenerational Description of Joint Project:

This team is comprised of Lori Blake, science teacher, and her students. These students attend the Governor Morehead School for the Blind in Raleigh, NC. This project is special because all of the students have visual impairments or blindness. The project was inspired by a nature photo-journaling workshop taken by Ms. Blake, who was then able to share her experience in nature photography with her students.

Celebration of Rachel Carson's Sense of Wonder Description:

The project consisted of two parts. In the photography part of the project, Ms. Blake and her students explored the school's expansive campus, and took pictures of plants and animals. Many students had never used a camera, but the photos that were taken were stunning. In the second part of the project, students wrote poetry inspired by their observations of the natural world.

POEM

Under the Oak Tree

by Ms. Blake's Class, Transcribed from Braille by Lori Blake

A lot of acorns fall on me,
While I'm standing under an oak tree.
I hear birds chirping up in the sky,
I wish I could see them with just one eye.

I hear the leaves all falling down,
I touch the grass and plants.
I feel something crawling on me,
I think it may be ants.

PHOTO taken by GMSB student:

