The **South Florida Section** of the American Chemical Society (ACS) is sponsoring an illustrated poem contest for students in Kindergarten - 12th grade.

**Contest Deadline**: October 15th, 2015  *(Original Art ONLY)*

**Entry Levels**: Each school can submit **ONE** entry level in each of the following:
- K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12 grade levels

**Prizes**: Certificates will be presented to the winners in the Local Section

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Winners of the **South Florida Section** illustrated poem contest will advance to the ACS National Illustrated Poem Contest!

Write and illustrate a poem using the NCW theme, **“Chemistry Colors Our World”**. Your poem must be **no more** than 40 words, and in the following styles to be considered:

- **Haiku**
- **Limerick**
- **Ode**
- **ABC Poem**
- **Free Verse**
- **End Rhyme**
- **Blank Verse**

Participants are encouraged to explore topics related to:
- Dyes and pigments
- Absorbed and reflected light
- The chemistry of fireworks
- Natural and artificial colors
- Any other relevant topics

Entries will be judged based upon:
- Relevance to and incorporation of the theme
- Word choice and imagery
- Colorful artwork
- Adherence to poem style
- Originality and creativity
- Overall presentation

**Contest Rules:**
- Poems must conform to a particular style. No poem may be longer than 40 words.
- The topic of the poem and the illustration must be related to the NCW 2015 theme, “Chemistry Colors Our World”.
- All entries must be original works without aid from others.
- Each poem must be submitted and illustrated on an unlined sheet of paper (of any type) not larger than 11” x 14”. The illustration must be created by hand using crayons, watercolors, other types of paint, colored pencils or markers. The text of the poem should be easy to read and may be printed with a computer, before the hand-drawn illustration is added, or the poem may be written on lined paper which is cut out and pasted onto the unlined paper with the illustration.
- Only one entry per student will be accepted.
- All entries must include an entry form.
- All illustrated poems and/or digital representations of the poems become the property of the American Chemical Society.
- Acceptance of prizes constitutes consent to use winners’ names, likenesses and entries for editorial, advertising and publicity purposes.