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GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER ART & ESSAY CONTEST UNDERWAY

George Washington Carver National Monument announces the 21st annual Art & Essay Contest. Open to all fourth graders, this program encourages creativity through essay writing and creation of original artwork, based on the theme:

If I could speak with George Washington Carver, I would tell him...

Aligned with Missouri GLEs in communication arts and fine arts, Art and Essay is a celebration of Black History Month. Contest information is available on the park website at www.nps.gov/gwca at the "For Teachers" link. Please call the park to receive materials by mail. Entries must be received or postmarked by **February 4, 2011**. Please mail or bring entries to:

**George Washington Carver National Monument
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The awards ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, March 12th 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the park visitor center. Certificates, ribbons, trophies, and U.S. Savings Bonds will be awarded. Please join teachers, parents, and park staff in honoring students. Art and Essay is sponsored by George Washington Carver Birthplace Association and Missouri Southern State University – School of Education.

Administered by the National Park Service, an agency of the Department of the Interior, George Washington Carver National Monument preserves the birthplace and childhood home of George Washington Carver, scientist, educator, and humanitarian. The monument is located two miles west of Diamond, Missouri on Highway V, then ½ mile south on Carver Road. For more information, please call the park at (417) 325-4151 between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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