

Because we are all part of one big circle of growing and living, it is our responsibility to take care of the world around us. Charlesbridge and author April Pulley Sayre challenge you to take action and be a stream hero.

Here are a few possible projects you can do to protect the environment:

- Organize a stream clean-up day. Take pictures of what you find and write a report about how those objects affect life in and around the stream.
- Give a presentation to your class about the importance of recycling. Then start a recycling program at your school.
- Plant something. Write down your plant's progress and what you do to care for it.
- Reuse everyday household materials that would otherwise be thrown out to create a mural
 depicting the circle of life in your neighborhood.
- Or, any other great "green" ideas you have. Surprise our judges.

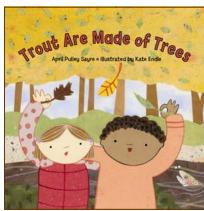
Whatever you do, be creative and be sure to document it every step of the way. Find inspiration in *Trout Are Made of Trees* by April Pulley Sayre, with illustrations by Kate Endle. Snail mail your projects, essays, photos, or art to: Charlesbridge, Be A Stream Hero! Contest, 85 Main Street, Watertown, MA 02472. Or email them to trademarketing@charlesbridge.com.

Expert science educators will choose the winner and runners-up from all entries received by

December 31, 2008. Winners will receive a classroom visit from author April Pulley Sayre by the end of the 2009 school year (to be arranged by Charlesbridge and the winning school), a \$100 gift certificate to their local bookstore, and an autographed copy of *Trout Are Made of Trees*. Second-place and third-place winners receive a collection of Charlesbridge nature books for their classrooms.

Participants must be students in kindergarten through third grade. Essays and art must be created by the student(s). Deadline for submission is December 31, 2008. Late entries will not be accepted. Submissions cannot be returned. Winners will be notified by January 31, 2009.

No purchase necessary. Winning project will be chosen by qualified educators based on presentation. Contest is open to students in the United States only. Submissions cannot be returned. Submission authorizes Charlesbridge to reprint art in part or whole. Charlesbridge employees and their families are not eligible for participation.



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