



The Department of Florida is holding its annual Buddy Poppy Contest at the upcoming Fall Conference. Judging will take place on Saturday, October 18, 2025, at the Florida Hotel in Orlando.

Categories are as follows:

Category 1- Public Promotion of the Poppy campaign

(window, booth, parade, poster campaign promotions).

Display must be designed for public exposure and must bear a message soliciting a donation for and wearing of the VFW Buddy Poppy. At least one Poppy used in the display must be in its original form and color, with label attached.

Category 2 - Memorial or Inspirational Display

(wreaths, memorial tablets, or plaques, patriotic or devotional themes).

Display must be designed to honor the dead, to inspire devotion to God and Country, or to dramatize the activities supported by the Buddy Poppy. At least one Poppy used in the display must be in its original form and color, with label attached.

Category 3 -Artistic or Decorative use of Poppies

(Post Home Display, table centerpieces, corsages, pictures, plaques, models, scenes, hats, novelty pieces, etc.)

Any display not meeting the qualifications for Categories 1 or 2 shall automatically be entered in category 3. At least one Poppy used in the display must be in its original form and color, with label attached.

You may include a 4x6 white card on your display using black ink with a explanation of your theme or other facts of information for viewers or judges.

Post Name or Number should not be visible on the displays.

Please write your Post Name, Number & District, how many poppies were used and place in a sealed envelope taped to the bottom of your display.

This contest is a great joint event to bring our VFW Post & Auxiliaries together and work as one team with one common goal!



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