



**Winner:** The beautiful color of the **Smooth Greensnake (*Opheodrys vernalis*)** provides excellent camouflage in its preference for open, grassy habitats, where it feeds exclusively on arthropods. This photo was taken in Acadia National Park, Maine, by **Jonathan D. Mays**.





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**Runner-up: The Speckled Rattlesnake (*Crotalus mitchellii*)**

is found in rocky desert habitats in extreme southwestern Utah, southeastern Nevada, southeastern California, and western and northwestern Sonora, south through Baja California, Mexico. This photo was taken by **J.D. Willson**.

# May 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Year of the Snake Photo Contest Calendar</b>						
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Indigo Snake Release, Auburn University & Orianne Society, Alabama	10	11 Sabino Canyon Lizard Walk, SCRA, Tucson, AZ. Meet at 8 am at the visitors' center
12	13	14	15	16	17 Endangered Species Day	18 Center for Snake Conservation <b>Snake Count begins*</b>
Coastal Herpetology Course, Univ. of Southern Mississippi, Gulf Coast Research						
Graduate and Professional Course - Species Monitoring and Conservation: Reptiles,						<b>SNAKE COUNT</b>
19	20 Victoria Day (Canada)	21	22	23	24	25
Laboratory, Ocean Springs, MS						
Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute, Front Royal, VA, USA						
<b>SNAKE COUNT</b> Go out and count some snakes!						
26	27 Memorial Day (US) Center for Snake Conservation <b>Snake</b>	28	29	30	31	*See May Year of the Snake News for details
<b>SNAKE COUNT</b>						