



◆Kids Create Tokyo 2010

From August 27 to 29, 2010, we joined Kids Create Tokyo 2010, sponsored by the Nikkan Kogyo Shimbun. In this event, we set up several booths for children's paintings exhibition, charity goods sales and art workshops. Many children came to participate in art workshops at the booth and decorated large white vinyl balls symbolized as the Earth. Many families came to this event as their last summer holiday activity. This event was a great success where more than 30,000 people came in the three day period. We had a fun and productive time interacting with many children through our workshop.

◆Yamaha Gospel Night 2010 @ Pacifico Yokohama

On September 4, we participated in Yamaha Gospel Night. Kids Earth Fund has participated in the event every year. This year, we exhibited children's paintings and sold KEF charity goods. We hope that many people recognized Kids Earth Fund and its activities through this event, and also enjoyed the great music performance and children's paintings.



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◆KIDS EARTH FUND Calendar for Year 2011!!

With the cooperation of many companies, a variety of calendars, for year 2011, with children's paintings as their designs are produced and now on sale! All the calendars are quite unique, cute and filled with warm messages from children. You can purchase the calendars in store as well as on the KEF website. Let's brighten up rooms with children's cute, colorful pictures and get ready for happy new year!



■ NEW MEMBER

The following are newly joined members.

[Individual Members]

Ms. Tamami Hachiya
Mr. Retudou Nakamura

Ms. Kumiko Fukushima
Ms. Chiyoko Nakamura

[As of November 30 2010]



サンタクロースとクリスマスツリー / Santa Claus and Christmas Tree
クヴァシカヴ・サーシャ / Kvashikav Sasha
ロシア / Russia
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Special
Topic

KIDS EARTH FUND × CANICA Art Workshops in Oaxaca, Mexico



From July 19 to 24, 2010, Kids Earth Fund went to Oaxaca, Mexico to conduct a joint project with CANICA: holding art workshops and donating art supplies. Although Oaxaca is known as a tourist spot where good old charming Mexican streets and town still remain, it is the second poorest state in Mexico due to the lack of major industries

At CANICA's day-care center, there are 8 children in the 1 to 3 year-old class, 23 children in the 3 to 6 year-old class, and 39 children in the 6 to 15 year-old class. This time, we did workshop with the 3 to 6 year-old and 6 to 15 year-old class. There were some children who had never touched paints before. After practicing how to use the paints with their art teacher, children painted on their drawing paper with acrylic paints and water paints. All the children were very energetic and were having a lot of fun painting! Also, the 6 to 15 year-old class painted on big canvases in groups. They created wonderful, colorful Mexican pictures.

At the same time, at Casa CANTICA, KEF held another art workshop with the theme of Christmas. Some children asked questions how to write snow or what to write because they had never experienced cold Christmas. However, once they started, everyone painted very merry Christmas they imagine colorfully using acrylic paints. Everyone enjoyed the workshop, and it was filled with laughter and smiles the whole day.

After the one-week workshop, we donated color pencils, acrylic paints, and paint brushes to all the children who participated. They looked very happy to receive



the presents, and shared their joy with friends and teachers. The bright smiles of the children shone like the sun, and made this activity very meaningful



Charity Piano Dinner Show @ Grand Hyatt Tokyo



On July 30, Friday, we invited a pianist Seiji Honda and a tenor singer Kazuaki Osawa for our piano charity dinner show where 120 guests came.

Pictures painted by children all over the world were exhibited in the assembly hall, and the guests enjoyed the amazing show with their eyes and ears. Also, many companies supported the charity raffle by providing goods.

The profit from this party was used for improvements to Kids Earth Home in Croatia and for purchasing art supplies and text books for children in Kosovo.



World Children's Exhibition - Gift from Children to the Earth -



From September 25, 2010 - October 12, 2010, Kids Earth Fund and students from Kyoto University of Arts and Design, Department of Arts and Child Studies had an exhibition "World Children's Exhibition - Gift from Children to the Earth -" at Gallery Aube. KEF has held over 3,000 exhibitions in the past and this exhibition was the largest of all. There were over 250 paintings of all sizes painted by children, which brightened up the gallery. The paintings were selected by the students. Also the students conducted art workshops held before the exhibition and created flyers, pamphlet and small information cards to put beside pictures. During the exhibition, there were many events in which both children and adults can enjoy.



On September 25, Monday, we invited children from the neighborhood for an art workshop. On October 1, Friday, Mr. Meguro, a professor of Kyushu University joined us for the gallery talk reception. On October 2, Saturday, the students from the Department of Arts and Child Studies held an art workshop with children coming from children's hall near school. On October 19, Saturday, Mr. Ryoji Arai, a children's book writer and a professor of Kyoto University of Arts and Design, also held an art workshop for children. Acrylic paints donated by Turner Colour Works and POSCA markers and art supplies donated by Uni Mitsubishi Pencil were used for the art workshops. All the children were very excited to use variety of art materials for their drawings.

Thank you for all the contribution, this workshop was able to end with many smiling faces and laughter. Furthermore, we were able to distribute the message and idea of the children to all 700 people that came to the exhibition.



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Kokuritsu Musashino Gakuin Art work shop



On July 16, an art workshop, which targeted nine 15 year-old male students, was held at Kokuritsu Musashino Gakuin. Musashino Gakuin is a children's self-reliance support facility. Kids Earth Fund has activities with students at the school once or twice every year. This time, we introduced and explained about KEF and the activities in two classes as a part of their course. We first studied and discussed harsh and difficult circumstances children in the world are facing, and then moved onto an art workshop. The theme of the workshop was chosen during discussion among the students, and they decided to paint pictures focusing on the beauty of Japan. They wanted the other children around the world to see the beauty of Japan. The sun, ocean, rainbow, desert, sunset, cherry blossom and the moon - passage of time in one day - were drawn in a picture. The heart shaped earth was added in the center of the painting to symbolize the peace in the world. The artwork they produced gave an impact and a power, and all the students looked contented. After the workshop, they helped us clean up, which showed the warm heart and kindness in children.



Art Workshop @ Tokyo Medical and Dental University Hospital Faculty of Medicine

On August 19, Thursday, we held an art workshop at the pediatric ward in the Tokyo Medical and Dental University Hospital Faculty of Medicine. The theme for this workshop was summer, and we painted on Japanese style paper fans. It was the first time all the children made their own fans. When they finished, they ran to their mothers and fathers to show what they made. Everyone looked very happy, and it was a workshop filled with smiles.



Art Workshop @ Tokyo Akiruno Gakuen Everyone's Summer



On August 21, Saturday, we held an art workshop at the Tokyo Akiruno Gakuen with the help of teachers and volunteers. The theme for the workshop was "Everyone's Summer," and children who participated in the workshop painted what they like about summer and their memory of summer on big three canvases.

In the beginning, we explained about Kids Earth Fund and its activities to the children. They seemed thrilled to hear that their paintings would make other children all around the world happy.

This time, we decided to use not only paints and crayons but also color paper to cut in smaller pieces and stick them with glue to decorate big canvases. We brought many bright colors to represent summer, and all the children seemed to love it.

Even though the canvases were large, they did not hesitate to start decorating it. They display the three pictures at school, and donated the paintings they painted last year with us to Kids Earth Fund.

We hope that these paintings on their wall will make their school brighter.



Art Workshop @ The Jikei University Hospital



On September 3, Friday, we held an art workshop at the Jikei University Hospital. This time, we did not have a specific theme, but instead, children created artworks with the Chigirie method. We brought a variety of colored paper for the workshop, but the shiny ones were everyone's favorite. All the children enjoyed using various kinds of paper which looked and felt different and creating pictures with it.

Art work shop @ Toho University Medical Center Omori Hospital



On September 8, the art workshop was held in Toho University Medical Center Omori Hospital. We tried Chigirie, which is collage of piece of colored paper, this time. Each child picked their favorite colors from a bag of colored paper and tore it in pieces at first. 9 children attended the art workshop. The artworks, which they neatly stuck pieces of colored paper and draw pictures with POSMA markers, were very unique and wonderfully done. The families, who were visiting their children, were also looking happy.



Art Work Shop @ Aiiiku Yogo School

An art workshop was held on September 30 at Aiiiku Yogo School for children with special needs. Most of the children at school participated in making post cards from scratch with Kamisuki. Some children seemed not very interested in the activity in the beginning, but as their friends made pretty cards, they started enjoying Kamisuki and decorating their cards. Their excitement grew even more as they saw paper and liquid in a bottle transformed into a colorful, decorated post card!

Even though it was a cold rainy day, the workshop was constantly filled with laughter and smiles of children, volunteers and teachers, and warmed the room with energy.



Art work shop @ Kanagawa Prefectural Child Medical Center

On October 13, the painting art workshop was held at Kanagawa Prefectural Child Medical Center. Animals were painted on each child's canvas. For many children at the workshop used paints for the first time, but they all used them quite well and enjoyed painting pictures with paints. They immersed themselves in painting and each child produced many colorful, heartwarming pictures.