

## NEWS

### ★ JAEGER-LE COULTRE VIP Cocktail Fair & Charity Auction Dinner

On the evening of Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, many celebrities participated in a charity auction conducted by JAEGER-LE COULTRE (Richmeont Japan Limited) a famous brand of luxurious Swiss watches, at the Mandarin Oriental Tokyo. 12 original drawings of the Chinese Zodiac were on offer at the auction. These drawings were actually used as the dials of "Reverso Eclipse," a new model designed by Mr. Hiroshi Senju, a world famous Japanese painter, and a KIDS EARTH FUND(KEF) advisor. 2,035,000 yen were donated to KEF.



### ★ SUMITOMO MITSUI BANKING CORPORATION

The charity concert by Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation(SMBC) for KEF was held at CHIYODA IKIPLAZA ICHIBANCHO on Sat, the 20<sup>th</sup> of May. KEF has gotten support for children in Cambodia and Vietnam with the volunteer fund which is a reserve fund from a part of the employees' salary. The volunteer employees who belong to a chorus, a chamber ensemble and a brass band, performed a wide range of music, from classical music to TV animation songs, so that everyone could enjoy themselves on that day. Children's paintings from all over the world were also exhibited in the lobby and about 150 audience members could see them. Moreover, 156,329 yen in total donations and sales of charity goods was contributed to KEF.



### ★ Sri Lanka - Collaboration of JEN

We held art workshop with the aim of providing mental support of Sumatra Tsunami victims at 15 villages in the Hambantota District from June 17<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> with collaboration from JEN. We will tell you the detail about this children's trauma reduction workshop on the next issue. Cooperated by : NPO JEN

### ★ Pair-ticket for KIDS EARTH FUND events and more! ★

#### 01 Part One: Membership Campaign Drive

Introduce your family or friends to KEF, and when they become members between July and September, receive original KEF novelty goods valued at 3,000yen!



#### 02 Part Two: Automatic Transaction Campaign

New and renewing members who sign up to pay their KEF membership fees by automatic transfer between July and September as above will receive original KEF novelty goods valued at 3,000yen! They will also be entered into a lottery where they have the chance to win one of two pairs of tickets for a charity dinner to be hosted at the Egyptian Embassy in November.



# KIDS EARTH Report

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KIDS EARTH HONE No.1 in Croatia

From Apr. 5<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>, our secretariat, Sawa Murai, went to Croatia. She checked the current management status of a home and held art workshops with children.

KIDS EARTH's Soccer World Cup 2006 Croatia vs. Japan

The long awaited Soccer World Cup started in June in Germany. On June 18<sup>th</sup> a match of Croatia vs. Japan will be held. In advance of that, children in Croatia and Japan are starting on a canvas! The first match took place on a very wide canvas. The children lay down on the canvas and chose their poses, say one kicks a ball, another heads a ball, and so on. Next, drawers outlined his/her silhouette, and then drew faces, hands and feet. They finally put Croatia's uniform on them. The second match took place on a miniature soccer field, a canvas painted with green and white water colors, in advance of the game. 11 players drawn by children are small but very vivid, as if they started to run! Children in Japan will soon draw their players in those paintings and 'kick off' the international exchange game.Be patient until the result comes!! Besides these, we performed 2 workshops, "Describe your friends' faces" and "Who are you? a business card project" - They're passed by children in Vietnam, where they performed in February.

and others disregard the education of their children. Children need to be taught basic living habits such as shampooing their hair or brushing their teeth. There also remains discrimination based on race, prejudice and exclusive feelings. In KEH, seeing staffs from different races work together and treat everyone equally, children keep good relationships with each other, without having discrimination. Children are also war victims, though they've not experienced the war itself. We continue our operations to serve children with a place where children cure their own traumas and where children can be confident they can build their own society in the future.



Current status and future KIDS EARTH HOME No.1

KIDS EARTH HOME(KEH) No.1 have worked with children in Topusko and Gvozd. Our activities are based on local needs, with the help of Suncokret, a local NGO. Even though over 10 years has passed since the war was over, about 70% of the citizens in Gvozd are unemployed. There're still lots of parents who have issues, some depends on alcohol or drugs, some behave violently at home

KANTHA BOPHA Hospital Report Vol.2

(Continuation of the former report)

In a surgical room, we met a child, who got 80% of the body burned and was covered whole body with a bandage. The hospital, which can treat this child with skin grafting or something in Cambodia, is only KANTHA BOPHA Hospital. We hear that 80% of the patients cannot pay for the medical treatment, if KANTHA BOPHA Hospital is not free of charge. However, the Government and the Ministry of Health of Cambodia try hard to hide this extreme poverty situation, so the patients cannot receive any support. The new hospital was founded with a donation, collected from all the Swiss, CHF 20 from each. Most of Japanese can go to the hospital when we catch a cold. What can we do for them? Please note that 1 yen each from all the Japanese count for 120 million yen.

KIDS EARTH HOME Tokyo

As it was announced in the last issue, KIDS EARTH HOME(KEH) Tokyo moved along with the secretariat office on March 27<sup>th</sup>. The gallery space is larger than the previous place, where we can put up more pictures on the wall and make the Home look warm and comfortable. A new workshop space for drawing is also available. The new Home is only a 10second walk from the previous location. Please stop by together with your children or even without them.



Junior high school students visited KIDS EARTH HOME Tokyo

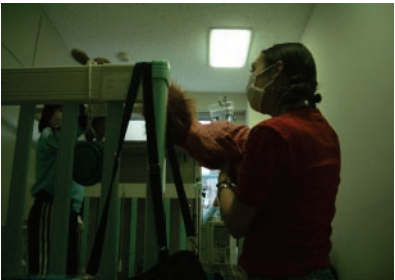
Moving to the new KEH Tokyo took a month. We had six students of junior high school from Fukushima Prefecture. Now these six visitors study about international understanding as their theme. They had questions rushing out, for example, "What is happy and hard activity before?" "From how many countries were paintings gathered?" "What is the way of using paintings?" Also they seemed to think about what they could do so seriously, we conveyed they as junior high school students could volunteer to raise funds and gather kids' pictures in local area. They found one's favorite painting displayed in the gallery and took a picture at the front of it, then finally altogether took a photo with the KIDS EARTH CAR. They, six students said they would present their investigation after going back to their school. We wish another more people in Fukushima would know about our actions of KIDS EARTH FUND(KEF), as a result of this visiting of junior high school students.



KIDS EARTH CAR Project Traveling Workshop

Visit to the Nippon Medical University Hospital

KIDS EARTH CAR visited the Nippon Medical University Hospital on the 5<sup>th</sup> of April. Janica Southwick, who is famous for an NHK English TV program, showed puppet work. Children enjoyed the puppet show and her English. Many children who joined the show proudly answered her English questions. The children who stay at a germ-free room enjoyed chatting with puppet jumping on their bed. A boy who has learned by distance learning talked in English. His beautiful English surprised the doctor and nurses so much. Time passed fast. Everyone took a photo at the end of the show. This was the first time to have a workshop at this hospital. We would like to keep showing our peaceful smiles to the children.



Exhibition & Charity dinner party @Tennoz Isle Exhibition

Exhibition

From May 15<sup>th</sup> through June 25<sup>th</sup>, we are having exhibition at Restaurant & Bar "T.Y. Harbor Brewery" at Tennoz Isle. The restaurant is on a canal, and had a really nice open space with a high ceiling. The pictures of the children decorated the wall in the restaurant. The pictures matched such a cool space for adults, and they brought messages for the guests at dinner.

Monthly Charity Event

We've been having Charity Wine Parties every first Thursday. However, we have renewed them with new concepts on our office move. Casual meetings at KIDS EARTH Gallery, dinners at stylish restaurants, with a few people, or with many people ... with many good ideas, we'll inform you of monthly charity events every first Thursday. Even if the places and the scales will be changed, the events will be unchanged in terms of offering everyone a good time. The first renewal party was the Charity Dinner at "T.Y. Harbor Brewery", where we had an exhibition at the same time. The number of guests was limited to 28 people, and they enjoyed elegant dishes at the restaurant, and KIDS EARTH WINE, which are popular at Charity Wine Parties.

The total Amount of Charity at this event : 93,530 yen

Sponsors

- Japan Arts Corporation (concert-tickets)
- LUMIERE S.A (KIDS EARTH WINE)



Amount of raised money (past 15 events)

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Column

DEAR KIDS, DEAR THE EARTH vol. 13

Hiroshi Senju  
Japanese-style Painter  
Advisor to KIDS EARTH FUND

I have three children. They are studying at a public school in New York, since I work in New York. However I spend more than half a year in Japan or Europe to cover various projects all over the world. Besides, even when I am in New York, I am busy in my studio from the early morning till late at night, and do not have much time to spend with my children. My wife often says it is like "a single mother family." One day when I was talking with my 11-year old second boy, he said "I usually have dreams in English but whenever Daddy is at home, I have dreams in Japanese." I was deeply moved by this. This is how children would feel and react. This is not only my children but also any children on earth who have been influenced by many kind of things and they internalize and accept those things. Children keep leading their lives while seeing silently what is happening around them. I wondered what we can do for children. What should we do for them? There are series of hard-to-believe incidents and accidents surrounding children. I feel that we need to consider this very seriously now in the 21st century.

NEW MEMBERS

These are KIDS EARTH FUND's new members since March.1 until May. 31  
(In alphabet order)

Individual Membership

Ms. Hisae Tabei / Ms. Rika Tani  
anonymous x 3

Corporate Membership

Honzan Yuseiji

Foster Parents

Mr. Hitoshi Ohno / Ms. Rumi Fukuda

(Foster parents of children at KIDS EARTH HOME, schools for street children, in Vietnam)



Exhibition

● TOKYO • Tennoz Isle

Mon, 5/15 - Sun, 6/25  
T.Y. HARBOR BREWERY

● TOKYO • Chiyoda-ku

Sun, 5/20  
At Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation charity concert  
CHIYODA IKIHIKI PLAZA  
ICHIBANKAN

● SAITAMA • Kawaguchi-shi

Sat, 10/21 - Sun, 11/19  
Kawaguchi Art Gallery ATLIA

● TOKYO • Setagaya-ku

Wed, 7/29 - Sun, 8/6  
NUMATA MUSEUM OF ORIGINAL ART FROM PICTURE BOOKS

● TOKYO • Minato-ku

Thu, 9/7 - Wed, 9/20  
Embassy of Spain

● YOKOHAMA • Aoba-ku

Mon, 8/21 - Sat, 9/9  
ART FORUM AZAMINO