

Promoting a Culture of Peace



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MAIN ACTIVITIES OF THE PROJECT

1. Support and training in Arts to members of the Benque Viejo House of Culture, Belize and Melchor de Mencos, Petén, Guatemala. Due to the fact that the expectations were exceeded by the number of students enrolled, by request from the population, new groups were formed.

Music

1. Practice lessons and control exercises for basic and advanced guitar chords.
2. Theory and practice of the 7 cycles of musical guitar notes.
3. Creation and assembly of the song Culture of Peace (composition and lyrics in care of the professors of the Project).
4. Rehearsals and assembly of songs with guitar and flute.
5. Public presentation of the Musical Group Culture of Peace at the central park in Melchor de Mencos, Petén, Guatemala supporting a TELETHON for the disabled.
6. Presentation and concert of Guatemalan students at the House of Culture in Benque Viejo, Belize.

Painting

1. The students learned the theory concepts of colours (light mixtures, pigments, primary and secondary).
2. The students finalized with success on their first abstract painting.
3. Also, the students drafted their next painting with the main theme being a scenery.
4. Two murals were completed, one at the office and one at the Benque Viejo House of Culture, which were the base to develop the colour theory.
5. Exhibition of the student's first works of art from Guatemala at the House of Culture in Benque Viejo, Belize.

Drama/Theatre

Development of activities continues based on a theatre teaching program. The participants utilized different theatrical languages that are applied in improvisation exercises and the creation of personalities in a very natural manner. In the same way, they used basic methods; they feel more comfortable with the reading of texts and group interpretation/improvisation and proposal of issues of interest to the majority of practical exercises. On the other hand, they have begun to participate in the modification of the script and the 60% are already working on their own texts and characters.

Photographs of activities



Assembly of frames



Student painting abstract art



Practice for TELETHON 2009 presentation



Participation at the 2009 TELETHON 2009 at Melchor de Mencos



Students at Benque Viejo House of Culture, Belize



Film presentation at Central Park, Melchor de Mencos, Guatemala



Theatre lessons



Theatre lessons



Inauguration of the art exhibition at the Benque Viejo House of Culture, Belize



Art exhibition at Benque Viejo House of Culture



Presentation and concert - Guatemalan students at Benque Viejo House of Culture, Belize



Art exhibition at Benque Viejo House of Culture



Concert - Guatemalan students at Benque Viejo House of Culture, Belize