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Teachers and educators are invited to participate in the "Draw me Peace" world drawing and painting contest for children aged 4 to 7 years.

Initiated by two artist-painters, Hayat Aoudjhane and Gérald Quinsat, this project has received support from the Aschberg Fund and UNESCO, and is undertaken within the framework of the *International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non Violence for the Children of the World (2001-2010)*. The objective of this contest is to promote a culture of peace by raising awareness among young children about this concept, but also through listening to their vision and spontaneous suggestions on self-respect and respect for others, sharing, tolerance, war and peace, reconciliation...

Teachers and educators participating in the contest will help children invent a story in pictures, in the form of a tale using animals, nature, colours, and their own symbols.

This story will be a collective work based on key words young children can understand. It will be made up of six drawings, each illustrating one or several of the following themes:

1. **Respect for all life** - respect the rights and dignity of each human being;
2. **Non-violence** - reject violence, obtain justice by convincing and understanding;
3. **Sharing** - develop attitudes and skills for living together in harmony, ending exclusion and oppression;
4. **Listening to understand** - give everyone a chance to learn and share through the free flow of information and ideas;
5. **Preserving the planet** - make sure that progress and development are good for everyone and for the environment;
6. **Tolerance and solidarity** - appreciate that people are different and that everyone has something to contribute to the community.

The drawings, with short explanations, will form a story presented as a comic strip, a fresco or a poster, depending on the choice of the participants.

Registration and participation in the contest will take place simultaneously between January and June 2002.

The artworks will be scanned and put online on the UNESCO «early childhood and family» portal (<http://www.unesco.org/education/ecf/>).

They will be used later in publications, exhibitions, or as promotional support material for UNESCO actions in favour of early childhood.

In September 2002, a jury presided by H.R.H. the Grand Duchess Maria Teresa of Luxembourg (UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador), comprised of young children and well know persons in fields of arts, humanitarian aid and education will choose two winners per age group (4-5 year olds and 6-7 year olds). The winners will receive a prize best suited to their needs, from four types of prizes: multimedia ; library / medialibrary ; equipment and school supplies ; vehicles.

This contest will provide the opportunity to build a network of teachers, educators and children working in favour of building and promoting a culture of peace and non-violence.

*"Tomorrow's world is already taking shape in the body and spirit of our children."*

*(Kofi Annan, UN Secretary General and Nobel Peace Prize)*

# Rules of the contest

- **Article 1 :** The drawings will be done on A3 size sheets (29,7 cm × 42 cm, 11.7 in × 16.5 in). This format is needed so as to scan or photocopy the artwork.
- **Article 2 :** All possible techniques can be used to do the drawings, separately or mixed: coloured felt pens, paint, colour pencils, thin pasted cut-outs. However, it is recommended to use as support paper that is 200 g per m<sup>2</sup> for strength and ease of doing the artwork.
- **Article 3 :** The number of drawings is six per group and per age group (4-5 year olds, 6-7 year olds). Each drawing will illustrate one or several of the 6 themes (see previous page).
- **Article 4 :** The six drawings will form a story (comic strip, fresco, poster). On the back of each drawing will be included a number and a short explanation (20 words maximum), written clearly, to indicate the way to read and to present the story.

Possible presentations:

A

1	2
3	4
5	6

B

1	2	3
4	5	6

C

1	2	3
4	5	6

- **Article 5 :** The children, in cooperation with the teachers or educators, will select the six " best " drawings, so as to submit only one collective piece of work per age group: 4-5 year olds and 6-7 year olds.
- **Article 6 :** The numbered and annotated drawings must not be folded or assembled together. The six sheets, along with the attached registration form, must be put into a big envelop.
- **Article 7 :** The deadline for participating in the contest "Draw me Peace" is 30 June 2002. Any submission after this date will not be taken into account. The drawings must be sent to the following address:

Contest « Draw me Peace »

Education Sector Documentation and Information Service

UNESCO,

7, Place de Fontenoy - 75352 Paris 07 SP - France

electronic mail: [painting.contest@unesco.org](mailto:painting.contest@unesco.org)

\* *The drawings will not be returned. UNESCO reserves the right to use them in publications, exhibitions or as promotional support material for actions in favour of early childhood.*

Hello !

You are 4, 5, 6 or 7 year old. You like to draw, colour or paint...

But actually what you like the most is to listen to nice stories and look at beautiful pictures.

And if, for a change, you were the one to tell a story? You would invent it, draw it with lots and lots of colours.

If you want to, you are going to do it with your buddies and friends. Your teacher, supervisor or educator will help you participate, all together, in the biggest drawing and painting contest in the world.

And the nicest thing, is that thousands of children of your age, in all the countries of the Earth, will also invent and draw, with their friends, beautiful stories in many colours.

Then, when all the children, all over the world, will have finished their stories and drawings, their teachers, supervisors and educators will collect them, put them in big envelopes and send them to Paris.

Paris is a big city, and in this city there is a big house called UNESCO. There, some very nice ladies and gentlemen, who are also from all the countries of the world, come to work. They work so that all the children of the Earth can go to school and learn to become men and women that respect each other and live in friendship and peace.

These ladies and gentlemen are going to receive all these beautiful stories and drawings. And they will show them all over the world, to share them with all the children of the Earth and their families.

Hope to hear from you soon. We are waiting for your story and drawings !!!

Bernard

Dominique

Eduardo

Enzo

Fouzia

Gérald

Hayat

Juan

Richard

Sonia

Souhir

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# REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE CONTEST

## "DRAW ME PEACE"

*If you submit two artworks (one for 4-5 year olds and another for 6-7 year olds)  
please fill in two different separate registration forms*

### **Institution / Organisation :**

**Name**

**Type** pre-school  kindergarten  primary school  association

other (specify)

**Numbers of** children  teachers  educators  others

**NAME of the person to contact**

**Full postal address**

**Country**

**Telephone**  **Fax**

**Email**

### **Educators / Teachers participating :**

first & last NAME	first & last NAME
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

### **Languages :**

Mother tongue(s) of participants

Working language

**Children participating :**

first & last NAME	age	first & last NAME	age	first & last NAME	age

**DESCRIPTION OF THE ARTWORK SUBMITTED**

Chosen story presentation (*See Rules*)      Présentation A       Présentation B       Présentation C

Title	
Explanation of drawing n°1	
Explanation of drawing n°2	
Explanation of drawing n°3	
Explanation of drawing n°4	
Explanation of drawing n°5	
Explanation of drawing n°6	