

CGAF Exchanges and Initiatives
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Past, Present, & Ongoing

Kabul, Afghanistan (2003 & 2005 artwork) with *Gordon Head Elementary, Victoria, B.C.*; *St. Joseph's Elementary, Victoria, B.C.*; and *Sundance Elementary School, Victoria, B.C.*

Transportation Facilitators: Langford Fire Dept. & Canadian Military

Kurdistan, Iraq (2003 & 2005 artwork) with *Reynolds High School, Victoria, B.C.* and *Erin Woods Elementary, Calgary, Alberta*

Exchange Facilitators: Zhiyan (Kurdistan Save the Children); Budd Hall (Victoria); Heather Coey
Reynolds High School, Victoria and *Shahid Jabbar English Exemplary School Iraq* Exchange
Exchange Facilitators: Monira Hassan (Kurdistan); Heather Coey, (Victoria)

Jambiani School, Zanzibar/Tanzania with *Braefoot Elementary School, Victoria, B.C.*

Exchange Facilitators: Debbie Linnell (Victoria); Pat Elias (Hands Across Borders, Zanzibar)

Deenabandhu, India with *Erin Woods Elementary, Calgary, Alberta*

Exchange Facilitators: Gita John (Victoria); Bara (Deenabandhu); Cheryl Zelmer & Jeff Belcher
(Calgary)

Guguletu, Cape Town, South Africa with *Frank Hobbs Elementary, Victoria, B.C.* and *Erin Woods Elementary, Calgary, Alberta*

Exchange Facilitators: Cecil & Ruth Hershler (Education Without Borders); Susan Underwood
(Victoria); Nancy Steeves (Calgary)

Punta Gorda, Belize with *Erin Woods Elementary, Calgary*

Exchange Facilitators: Janice (Teachers For a Better Belize); Kim Miner (Calgary)

Pichelemu, Chile (artwork) with *School Based Prevention & Health Promotion, Duncan*

Exchange Facilitators: Jamie Covey (Duncan); Patricio Vergara (Victoria)

Zambia with *Victoria, Kelowna, Whitehorse, and Nelson schools*

Exchange Facilitators: Representatives from VIDEA and YDEC

Erin Woods Elementary School, Calgary and *New Delhi, India* "We are All Related" Project

Exchange Facilitators: Roselynn Verwoord (Victoria/India); Jana Sharon (Calgary)

Cowichan Lake Community Services with *Vietnam Friendship Village*

Exchange Facilitators: Darlene Tully (Lake Cowichan); Dang Vu Dung, Brigette Miller, Carol
Stewart, Michelle Mason (Vietnam Friendship Village)

An exchange with Israeli and Palestinian children also an interest for Lake Cowichan.

Afghanistan, Iraq, Vietnam, and Lake Cowichan art exhibit in Cowichan Bay: January 2007.

King David High School, Vancouver (Joe Karmel) is facilitating a global arts initiative as part of a new year-long course entitled "Community, Culture, and Environment". Plans to establish an art exchange with a school with Israeli Arab and Jewish students in *Jerusalem, Israel* a possibility

Other Global Arts Contributions To Date:

Tehran, Iran (artwork)

Delta State, Nigeria (artwork)

Korea (artwork) - Grassroots Holistic Healing

Sam Sharrat School, Milton, Ontario (artwork) - Scott Pattinson

UVic (ESL artwork) - Laura Nimmon

Erin Woods Elementary School (Social Justice Films) - Andrew Cowie

Jillian Scarrow (UVic student teacher) - global arts in practicum

Present and Future Interest in Global Arts Projects/Initiatives:

Strawberry Vale Elementary School, Victoria, B.C. (2006/2007 school year)

Erin Woods Elementary School, Calgary (Andrew Cowie) with Malawi?

Monterey Park Elementary School, Calgary (Theresa Lewis)

Glendale Elementary School, Calgary (Keri Rodger - The One World Drum Co.) with Bali?

Savoury Elementary School, Langford (Katie Spencelagh (student teacher) and Cheryl Beaberitch-grade 1)

Marigold School, Victoria (Elaine McVie)

Leslie and Alexandre Wicks are generating an exchange with children from *Mexico* (Alex) and *Costa Rica* (Leslie), with children from Victoria

Dr. Carmen Rodriguez (UVic) is pursuing CGA research connections with colleagues in *Mexico*

Sparks Academy in Kabul (Roshan/Sheila Jiwan) interested in artwork exchange

Art Holbrook plans to pursue the creation of a National Film of the Global Arts project

Christina (Nina) Morgan will pursue connections with schools/children in *Uganda* when she visits there in January 2007 (as part of her Master's thesis)

Christina Hill (Milwaukee, WI) is identifying a Global Arts related - Peace Education thesis question and also interested in involving schools in her area

Lisa Scalapino (Project Coordinator for Understanding the Early Years) in *Campbell River* interested in incorporating Global Arts initiatives to help raise awareness and mobilize her schools and community to support healthy development for children 0-6 years. Also interested in the Art Gallery in Campbell River hosting parallel exhibit of children's artwork

Morgane Roux (UVic) interested in incorporating a Global Arts connection with her travels and interests in *East Africa and Canada*

Tiffany Cruickshanks has initiated a global arts connection at her daughter's school (Prospect Road Elem.) in *Halifax, Nova Scotia*. Board member, Thomas Mark Turay (Assistant Professor-Coady International Institute in Nova Scotia) has offered to assist with an art exchange between this school and areas within Africa.

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Suzanne Normandin from *Quadra Elementary* (French Immersion) is interested in connecting her students with a french-speaking country/community. Ideas for Paris and Whitehorse, Yukon have been pursued.

Music teacher, *Melissa Jmaef* hopes to engage her high school students (*Oregon, USA*) in a long-term global arts project.

Anna Nielson (UVic graduate student) is interested in organizing a “global arts” day in Spring 2007 (early June) at UVic where students from Vancouver Island are invited to engage in the Global Arts themes through art. Anna will begin by organizing a committee in January 2007. (Note: Anna has worked on projects similar in her home country of Bulgaria).

A Friend, *Lois Harvey*, has recently traveled and worked in *Pakistan*, and has identified a Global Arts interest with a *K-9 Girls’ school in Balachistan, Pakistan*, right next to the Afghanistan border. She has met and spoke with the Head Teacher of this school, “*Rashida Asad*”, who is very excited in getting her school involved with a global arts exchange. Lois also has pictures of the school. Lois also shared the difficulties of schooling in Pakistan. Only 23% of girls go to school in Pakistan and 54% of boys. Nadine shared this new link with teacher Celia Young, from Tecumseh School, Vancouver (see link below - “interest from ESL-PSA Conference).

Leanna Buzak (Curriculum Leader-Social Studies; *Tom Baines Jr. High School; Calgary*) and friend *Carrie Rowlandson* (Friend of CGAF, working and studying in *India*) are considering an art exchange with students in Calgary and those living in India.

Jim Curtin (Jr. High, Social Studies teacher, Cumberland, B.C.) is reading Deborah Ellis’s book “Mud City” with his grade 8 students, and is interested in connecting with a school in Afghanistan.

Nadine is considering art-related relations with inmates at William Head Prison and Victoria’s Open Door (through Rev. Al Tysic)

Interest from BCTF (British Columbia Teacher Federation) Conference, Vancouver, June 2006

Sandy Drummond from *BCTF (Vancouver)* has offered to distribute Global Arts DVD through BCTF Lesson Aids Service

Carroll Airey plans to coordinate a global arts exchange with school children in *Houston, B.C.*, with children in *Santa Rosa del Penon, Nicaragua*

Greg Cormier from West Vancouver (*school district 45*) plans to pursue a global arts project with grade 11 and grade 12 students

Tina Anderson plans to include the global arts initiative in her “Primary Peace Curriculum”

Ghislaine Varin from *Vancouver* will correspond with a group of students (French if possible) and pursue classroom projects

Donald Wilson will promote Global Arts through *B.C. Teachers Peace and Global Education Association (PAGE)*

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Clay McLeod (Kelowna teacher and Global Educator) has a proposal approved to promote Children's Global Arts in the on-line section of *OWL Magazine*. Mary Beth, from OWL responded to Clay's proposal by noting how she "loves the potential of the Children's Global Arts Project and thinks it will make an easily accessible, totally applicable lesson in classes across Canada".

Interest & Contributions from World Peace Forum, Vancouver, June 2006

Dr. Thomas Mark Turay (St Francis Xavier), Children's Global Arts Foundation board member has offered to build networks in *Africa and Nova Scotia*

Helene Leneveu from *Brooklyn, USA* will be visiting schools in *Central and South America* and she has offered to collect artwork - her specialty and main interest is peace education

Navnit Dosanjh from *Surrey School District* is open to become involved in many ways - involving her peace club might be her first initiative

Joan Ezra from *Cascade Heights in Burnaby* would like to involve her Kindergarten class

Louise Dewdney hoping to engage members from *People Loving People Organization* - an organization who delivers clothing and goods to other countries

Jiva Manske from *New Mexico* would like to incorporate Global Arts (peace education) in public art - particularly graffiti and slam poetry - also drama and music.... Jiva is looking for peace education and art links

Victoria Scott from *Peace Foundation, New Zealand* is interested in getting New Zealand schools involved.... also interested in organizing a children's artwork exhibition in New Zealand

Caroline Bouchard from *Montreal Quebec* will promote CGA with art teachers at McGill

Natasha Mallal at *UVic* is working on her Master's in Dispute Resolution in the area of "arts for conflict resolution" - she is interested in helping with artwork exchanges in Victoria

James Medynski from *Glimmer Films* may use footage from Global Arts DVD for World Peace Forum documentary entitled "Think Peace"

Jack Greenwell a ProD chair for *Greater Victoria Teacher's Association* has invited us to present the CGA project to ProD day on Feb. 16, 2007

Don Wright from *Amnesty International* is interested in collaborating with the CGAF in coordinating a "Human Rights" conference at UBC, UVic, and perhaps other locations

Deborah Ellis (children's author of *The Breadwinner*, *Parvana's Journey*, etc.) may be able to connect us with children in countries such as Malawi (and others)

Janice Eisehauer from *Canadian Women for Women in Afghanistan - Calgary-based* - is interested in coordinating a children's artwork display in Calgary - a connection with Theresa Lewis and Cheryl Zelmer may work well

Carah Reed, teacher at *Santa Ana High School in Southern California, USA*, is interested in an exchange with her Geography class (8-10 students) and children in Iraq or Afghanistan.

Interest Generated from Teaching Sustainability in the Classroom Conference - Oct. 20th, 2006

Christine Wong (grade 4/5) and *Marlene Westerlund* (grade 6/7) are pursuing a global arts exchange project with students at Jessie Wowk Elementary, an affluent area within the *Richmond School District*; and their sponsor school in *Sri Lanka*.

Sandra Santarossa (teacher-librarian) has initiated a global arts project with a small group of children at Cleveland Elementary School, *North Vancouver*. She has pursued a similar film-related project with Sri Lanka in the past.

Interest Generated from ESL - PSA Conference: Gladstone Sec., Vancouver - Oct. 20th, 2006

Celia Yeung, Grade 6/7 teacher at *Tecumseh Elementary, Vancouver*, is interested in involving her students (and others in her school) in an artwork exchange. An exchange with a K-9 Girls' school in Balachistan, Pakistan, next to the Afghanistan border is of interest, and will be posed to the staff and students in December 2006 (see "future interests" above).