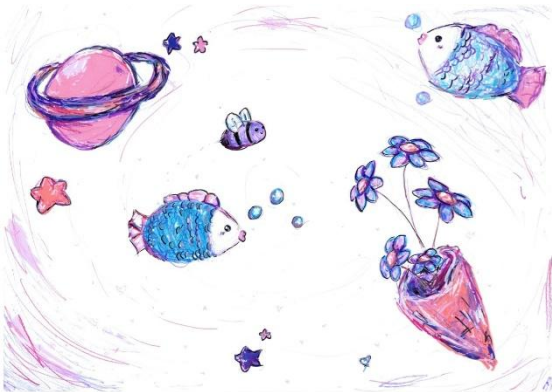


Selection results: Mayors for Peace Children' s Art Competition "Peaceful Towns" 2025
Mayors for Peace Secretary General Award



Evelyn Auður Andradóttir
in Reykjavík, Iceland (13 years old)

«Message from the artist»

In my drawing, fish, flowers, and a bee float together in space with planets and stars. Even though they are different, they live peacefully side by side. The soft colors show harmony and calm, and how peace can connect all living things in the universe.



Leonardo Angarola
in Cervia, Italy (10 years old)

«Message from the artist»

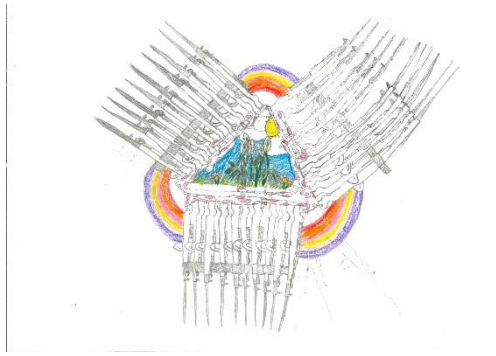
My inspiration is that peace comes from the heart of each of us. I coloured the symbol of peace with many flags to show that even though we are different, we must be united. The dove and the rainbow represent the hope that this colourful light of peace will reach the whole world.



Maria Ali Ummi
in Thiene, Italy (9 years old)

«Message from the artist»

I dreamed of peace. A superhero was ready to help. Justice for all, happy children, a great puzzle bringing the world together. I woke up happy.



Ari Keith-Dobson
in Fremantle, Australia (9 years old)

«Message from the artist»

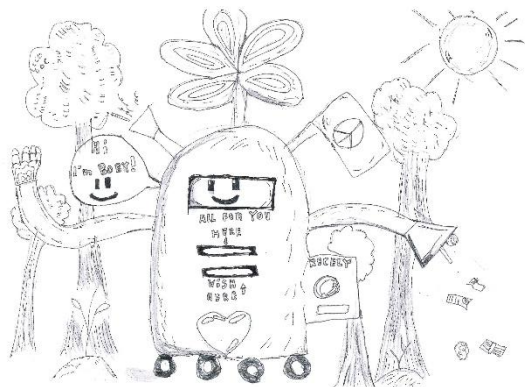
My idea was transforming something horrible into something beautiful. My inspiration was an artwork at the Fremantle arts centre of a cut out of guns. I also saw a piece of a gun shooting flowers.



Ismael Ishaq Hayat
in Gijon, Spain (10 years old)

«Message from the artist»

What peace means to me: Peace, love and wings



Safa Amin in Rüsselsheim am Main,
Germany (10 years old)

«Message from the artist»

So, it (the peace machine) can vacuum up trash and then sort and recycle it. It can collect wishes and bring the food that's ordered. It can plant seeds so trees can grow, and it can talk.



Elif Kayra Taşkaya
in Muğla, Türkiye (10 years old)

«Message from the artist»

The orange fish of Japan, which is surrounded by oceans, are siblings to the iconic chimneys of Muğla, which is surrounded by forests. While the fish swim toward freedom, I wanted to show my belief in peace with the pure doves on my arms. I believe this wish will come true for love, peace and friendship in all countries around the world.



Osuke Wada
in Obu, Japan (12 years old)

«Message from the artist»

I studied flowers in all over the world and discovered how many vibrantly colored and unique flowers exist in our world. By connecting these flowers with a rainbow bridge, I've infused this work with the message: "Let's all be friends."



Seiya Ikeda
in Toride, Japan (10 years old)

«Message from the artist»

I created this artwork with the hope that the world could be peaceful if the peace symbol safeguarded the happiness of having money, family, the Earth, and a home—and if, instead of destruction, bombs released joyful four-leaf clovers.



Utako Yamada
in Ryugasaki, Japan (11 years old)

《Message from the artist》

This artwork depicts people of different races shaking hands in harmony. In my community, people of many different races live together.

Without communication, we can't understand one another and may end up making assumptions. I drew this hoping that we can all connect and communicate.



Fuka Takahashi
in Oshu, Japan (13 years old)

《Message from the artist》

I believe that peace is reflected in our daily lives. Access to quality education and the freedom to enjoy our favorite sports and hobbies are things that cannot be experienced in places torn by war. To express this, I drew everyday objects around the girl-items we use in our daily lives. Also, the large moon in the foreground represents a bright future that illuminates the darkness. I hope viewers will recognize how rich and fulfilling their current lives are.



Rino Yamamoto
in Daito, Japan (7 years old)

《Message from the artist》

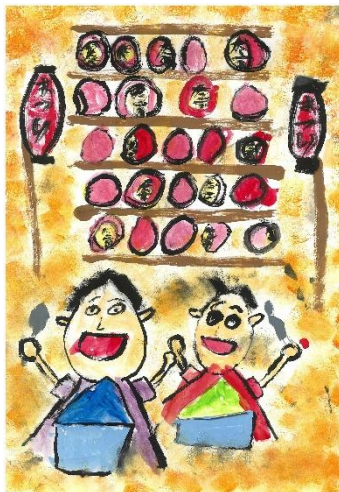
I am learning English, so I wrote the word "Peace." I drew everyone eating donuts together on the letter C. The top half represents morning and the bottom half represents night, expressing my hope that all living things on Earth can get along both day and night.



Saki Okamoto
in Gyoda, Japan (10 years old)

《Message from the artist》

I drew this hoping that happy, joyful memories will continue to grow.



Suzuki Ao
in Kuki, Japan (7 years old)

《Message from the artist》

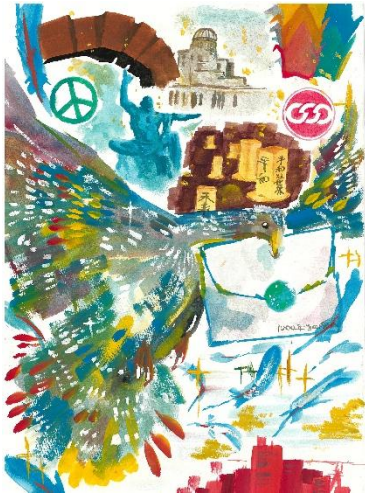
Being able to hold festivals means peace. I created this with the hope that these peaceful days will last forever.



Hinano Tajima
in Hanno, Japan (14 years old)

《Message from the artist》

I drew a scene from my daily life that I see every morning. I infused this piece with two sentiments about peace: my wish for a future where days like this continue, and my commitment to treasuring daily routines without taking them for granted. I want to turn my attention to the ordinary things in life that often go unnoticed and carry this perspective into the future.



Sae Fukui
in Urayasu, Japan (13 years old)

《Message from the artist》

I drew this piece with the idea of connecting Japan's peace activities to the future. What carries forward is not only these activities but also the thoughts of many people, which I expressed through the colors of the bird. I also included the image of many thoughts gathering together, becoming one, and turning into a bird that continues to fly far into the future. This bird symbolizes the hope of bringing peace to the world.



Makoto Ishiwada
in Sodegaura, Japan (7 years old)

《Message from the artist》

I believe that thoughtfulness leads to peace.



Kenta Oka
in Kanuma, Japan (13 years old)

《Message from the artist》

I wish for a peaceful world without war or conflict. And I believe that if everyone around the world wishes for peace, that dream will surely come true. With the hope that everyone in the world can live happily, I drew the flags of the world's nations on a white dove, which is a symbol of peace.



Aya Nakanose
in Nagasaki, Japan (11 years old)

《Message from the artist》

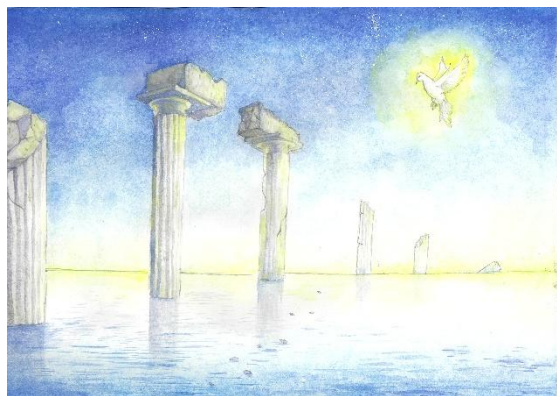
The girl in the drawing is me, painting my favorite beautiful flowers and rainbow-colored pictures. Through painting, I hope to make the world as colorful as a rainbow and bring peace.



Chiya So
in Kamo, Japan (14 years old)

《Message from the artist》

The painting is divided into two worlds by a single line. The upper half is dark, with smoke from explosions rising, buildings collapsing, and star-like fragments scattered about. This part represents the devastation and tragedy of war. The lower half is bright, with blue skies and green mountains stretching out, a white dove flying with an olive branch in its beak, and the Great Wall of China also depicted. This part illustrates a peaceful and beautiful scene of daily life. Such contrast shows how deeply we cherish and desire peace. The terror and destruction of war leave deep wounds in people, and we never want to return to that burned-out wasteland of the past. This is why the peace symbolized by the white dove is the most precious thing we must protect. We must always keep the "longing for peace" embodied in this painting in our hearts, distance ourselves from conflict, and walk the path of tolerance and understanding.



Rio Myoga
in Tsuruoka, Japan (13 years old)

《Message from the artist》

The broken pillars represent past conflicts, while the dove flying above them symbolizes peace and hope. I created this with the wish that we never forget the past and that the world becomes a peaceful place where everyone can live in safety and security.



Alva-Louise Ågotnes Tellnes
in Øygarden, Norway (14 years old)

«Message from the artist»



Emilie Bobin in Varennes-Vauzelles,
France (10 years old)

«Message from the artist»

Peace in all its forms, in all its languages, in all its signs, in all its symbols.
We are all. the French motto: liberty, equality, fraternity equal.



Zoe Drauart
in Comines-Warneton, Belgium (10 years old)

«Message from the artist»

The large hippie symbol is covered in flowers because it is a message of hope for our world. Let us sow the seeds of peace together to make our future blossom.



Mari Matsui
in Leuven, Belgium (6 years old)

«Message from the artist»

Rainbow Land is at its best at three o'clock in the afternoon. Glittering houses, friendly sea creatures and a rainbow building where all kind people are welcome. The rainbow holds a wish: that everyone may be happy.



Alana Grace Stevens
in Mold, UK (10 years old)

«Message from the artist»

I made this artwork because I think peace means being kind and helpful and that everyone is equal, even when we are different. When I was creating my picture, I thought about how the world would be a better place if people felt safe and free from fighting. That's why I put pictures of the world on my art piece. The dove is a symbol for peace in the world. The rainbows show how peace makes people feel safe, happy, and accepted. I hope that when people look at my artwork, they remember that small acts of kindness can help create peace everywhere.



Misaki Takeuchi
in the UNESCO Associated Schools Network
(8 years old)

«Message from the artist»

I drew this with a heartfelt hope that people from different nations can live together peacefully, hand in hand.



Towako Murata
in the UNESCO Associated Schools Network
(10 years old)

《Message from the artist》

Wishing for smiles to go on.