

To have healthy people and health communities, a healthy planet is a must...

addressing environmental issues with creativity!

eco'arts project by Arts For Global Development | Art4Development.Net intends to tackle vital developmental issues with creativity; inform and inspire individuals to take preventive actions; and acknowledge those creative individuals who focus on habitat and environmental challenges.



eco'arts consists of an arts project presenting images of artworks / projects / performances created by artists and advocates from around the world; a catalogue listing information on the arts project participants; an online site providing resources about creative projects that address environmental issues; and an educational event in Washington DC commemorating the World Environment Day (WED).



WED celebrated each year on June 5th, is one of the principal vehicles through which the United Nations stimulates worldwide awareness of the environment and enhances citizen action.

The eco'arts event took place on June 8 at the International Visions Arts Gallery featuring guest speaker, *David Waskow* who is the International Program Director of the non-profit organization, Friends of the Earth. He emphasized the effects of climate change, global warming and gas consumptions as well as provided guidelines in which participants could implement in protecting the environment. The Arts For Global Development, Inc founder and president *N// Sismanyazici Navaie* presented the eco'arts project, talked about the connection between the arts and the environment, and highlighted the importance of taking immediate preventive measures on environmental issues. In addition, the Creator of Postcards from Katrina Project, *Tambra Stevenson* introduced her project to bring awareness that people in the Gulf Region still need help and hope.



The arts project of eco'arts was launched in May 2006 to facilitate an opportunity for individuals / groups (*who care about environmental issues; use environmental friendly materials and recycled objects to shape their work; raise awareness on environmental challenges or organize eco-friendly projects*) to share their works and ideas. Through the call placed on Art4Development.Net E-Community and supporting online platforms, within 31 days of its launch eco'arts received artwork and art project images from over 60 artists from the US, Canada, Italy, Germany, Netherlands, Sierra Leone, Columbia, Angola, Finland, South Africa...



The **eco'arts mural**, suspended from the ceiling, displays images of artworks / projects / performances created by those artists and advocates who shared their work with Art4Development.Net. The mural measures 24 x 48 inches and has two sides. eco'arts, which is a collage of works placed on wood, decorated with acrylic paint, mirrors, ornament, and silk leaves, depicts the connection of humanity and environment, and calls for protective action!



The eco'arts event guests were artists, representatives of cultural organizations, environmental agencies, graduate students, development and social marketing specialists, and more.

For further details on the eco'arts project please contact Arts For Global Development, Inc at info@art4development.net.



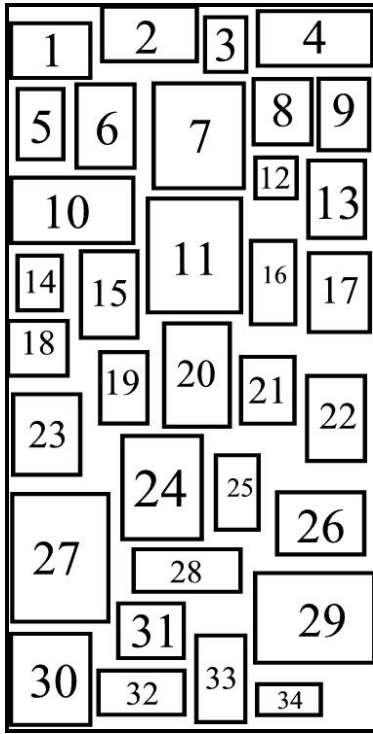
eco'arts mural
at the International Visions
Gallery - Washington, DC



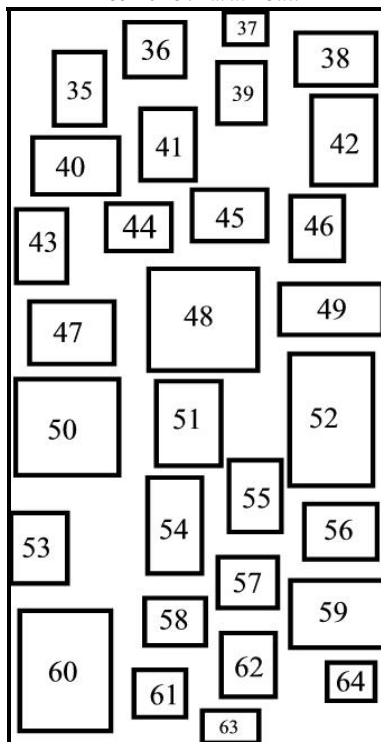


::eco'arts mural layout::

Blue Panel: *Water - Air*



Red Panel: *Earth - Sun*



1. RIITTA SCHILDT, Ruskeasu's Eye
2. LUCIENNE CANET, Bamboo
3. AMADU S. TARAWALLIE, The Flood
4. KIM BEURY, Wind Mills
5. "AKASHAPUSHPA" LIISA HAVERILA, performing when twining threads
6. ABIGAIL DOAN, Salt Flats Paper-trail
7. RICHARD KETTNER, 2000 Man
8. RICHARD REAMES, Peace-Tree
9. UZMA A. MIRZA, Proclaim
10. KATHRYN TANIS, Future City
11. CAROLINE ALBERT, Eyes of Mercy
12. CELLA NEAPOLITAN, Water Re-framed
13. MAX LIBOIRON, New Stories: Aurora Borealis and the Melting Tundra
14. SHEKU SHAKALEARN MANSARAY, My Environment and I
15. NATASHA MAYERS, Waves and Water on Fire
16. TAI APOLINSKI, It is my window that keeps me company
17. LAURA C. HEWITT, Ficus Retusa
18. JENNY MEEHAN, Giving it back to Green
- 19.- 21. LISA HIGBY LEFEVRE & LISA KASTELLO, 'The Artificial Obsolence & Hope' Project at Dixon High school/artworks by students
22. CAROL "TOOTS" MORRIS
23. LU SAGE, Rio Grande Silvery Minnows Encounter The American Dream
24. "HARMONY" YNEZ REYES, poem: If I could do for you
25. LAUREN RAINE, Shrine for Gaia
26. MELISSA COOKE, ReStore
27. MARY ELLEN CROTEAU, A Measure of Consumption: 225 days, 68 meters
28. LILIAN COOPER, Climate Change
29. JAMES NGUYEN, Different Worlds
30. SAMUEL FLEINER, Re-Art One
31. JORGE RESTREPO
32. ANGELA GEARY, Dungeness
33. NUALA CREED, Bird Girl
34. PEARL PUALANI LING, Mo'olelo for Fresh Water Springs
35. ZACH PINE
36. IRENE CHAN, Malnourished
37. FRANCISCO VA-DUNEM
38. GEOFFREY SIPHO WRIGHT, Tumeka Tin-Can
39. MARISA DIPAOLO
40. HELEN R. KLEBESADEL, Spiral
41. STEFANIE WELK, Medusenhaupt
42. NEREUS PATRICK CHEO,
43. LYNNDEE NIELSON, Atrazine
44. NICO PHOOKO, Save the roads from traffic jams
45. LEON KÜHN, Fosillized
46. FABIO SASSI, Drop the Oil
47. FALLENFRUIT
48. ROBIN OPPERMAN & UMCEBO TRUST
49. YELENA KLAIRMONT, Tornado
50. IVA HLADIS
51. AMBER HANSEN, Consuming Altered Offerings
52. CHARLOTTE BYNAR, poem: Every Man for Himself
53. ANTONIO TOMAS ANA, Guarda-Redes Keeper
54. JENNIFER WEIGEL, Waste Not-Want Not
55. SAMI SARASALO, Do you See a Dream
56. CELLA NEAPOLITAN & KATE SCURLOCK
57. JULIA WEAVER
58. ELHADJ LUSENY SYLLA, Food for All
59. BEATRICE BOLLETTA
60. ANNELIESE VOBIS, Red Tides
61. NIL SISMANAZICI NAVAIE, re-titled: Planeterp
62. SONIA SHERROD, Whiter than Rice
63. MARK HENSON, Sharing the Wealth
64. SONDRA CARR, A forest by any other name

