Title
Elephants for peace

Description
In this activity, participants have the opportunity of drawing elephants in a happy and peaceful context, using any technique and a lot of fantasy.

Elephants are a symbol of peace, in that they are a mix of strength and peace: they may be massive, but regardless, they do not repress others. In many instances, they are a symbol of harmony and show how “might may go together with peace”.

It is an expression of the multitude of non-violent and silent people who live in every Country. Every day, our minds are invaded by negative images which can influence our behaviour and make us forget that the vast majority of people live a peaceful life.

This activity is promoted by Elephants for Peace and Living Peace International.

Target group
Children and kids from any school, association, or group.

Goals
- Have a deeper understanding of the values typical of peace. Work to build peace
- Show that we wish for peace in our highly problematic and controversial global context
- Improve our teamwork ability and respect for each other
- Develop creativity
- Develop friendly relationships among people
Activity

Artistic laboratory:

1. In groups, discuss and exchange ideas about peace, using the elephant as a symbol of peace (http://gnausch.net/efpwp/about/why-the-elephant/)

2. Express your message of peace through your art. Alone or in groups, draw a picture and/or make a figurine of an elephant. Choose any material and size you want.

3. When you are finished, show your artworks. You can organise exhibitions involving your school or more than one school or local/national/international associations.

4. Spread your message of peace as much as you can: in this way, you will actively build and propagate the culture of peace.

5. Share the pictures of your artworks with the Living Peace International network, sending them to Living Peace: c.palma@livingpeaceinternational.org and to Rose Marie Gnausch roma@elephantsforpeace.com ***

For further information about organising a national or international exhibition, please contact c.palma@livingpeaceinternational.org.

Deadline

There is no deadline.

*** Living Peace acts accordingly to the EU General Data Protection Regulation, which came into force on 25 May, 2018.

If you want to share pictures and videos of children and kids, you must send us a consent form signed by their parents or legal guardian(s). You can download the consent form here, and address it to AMU NGO, which is in charge of data management for the Living Peace International project, sending an email to privacy@amu-it.eu.

If a consent form cannot be provided, please remember to send us only pictures and videos where people—especially minors—are not recognisable.

These include shots taken from above or behind, where you can see the children involved in the activity, but you cannot take a front view shot.

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