

# 2010 International Essay Contest for Young People

Theme My Role in Creating a Peaceful World



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# Organized by The Goi Peace Foundation and UNESCO

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The United Nations has designated 2001-2010 as the "International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence for the Children of the World" and 2005-2014 as the "United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development." Additionally, 2010 celebrates the International Year of Youth as well as the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures. Young people are encouraged to participate in these global initiatives and play a leading role in promoting peace and understanding among all cultures.

# THEME

# "My Role in Creating a Peaceful World"

What is your vision of a peaceful and harmonious world? What can you and the young people of the world do to realize that vision?

# **GUIDELINES**

- 1. Essays may be submitted by anyone up to 25 years old (as of June 30, 2010) in one of the following age categories:
  - a) Children (ages up to 14) b) Youth (ages 15 25)
- 2. Essays must be 800 words or less in English, French, Spanish or German; or 1600 characters or less in Japanese, typed or printed.
- 3. Essays must have a cover page indicating (1) category (Children or Youth) (2) essay title (3) your name (4) mailing address (5) phone number (6) e-mail address (7) nationality (8) age as of June 30, 2010 (9) sex (10) school name (if applicable) (11) word count. Teachers and youth directors may submit a collection of essays from their class or group. Please enclose a list of participants' names and the name and contact information of the submitting teacher or director. (Entries missing any of the above information will not be considered.)
- 4. Entries may be submitted by postal mail or e-mail. (Email entries must be in text or MS Word format, with the cover page and essay sent together as one document.)
- 5. Essays must be original and unpublished.
- 6. Essays must be written by one person. Co-authored essays are not accepted.
- 7. Copyright of the essays entered will be assigned to the organizers.

# DEADLINE

Entries must be received by **June 30, 2010.** 

## AWARD

The following awards will be given in the Children's category and Youth category respectively: 1st Prize: Certificate and prize of 100,000 Yen (approx. US\$1,000) ...... 1 entrant 2nd Prize: Certificate and prize of 50,000 Yen (approx. US\$500) ...... 2 entrants 

- \* 1st prize winners will be invited to the award ceremony in Tokyo, Japan scheduled for November 2010. (Travel expenses will be covered by the organizers.)
- \*\* All prize winners will be announced in November 2010 on the Goi Peace Foundation web site (www.goipeace.or.jp) and UNESCO web site (www.unesco.org/youth).

# PLEASE SEND YOUR ENTRIES TO:

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\* We are unable to confirm receipt of individual essays.