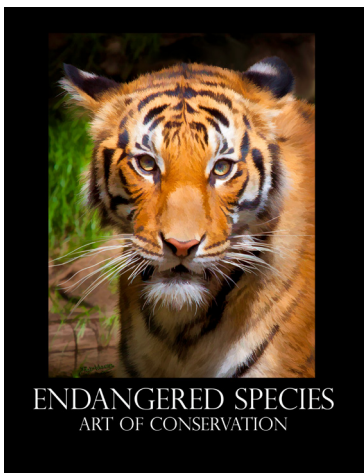


Spring 2014

Endangered Species project, great success!

Artists from around the world joined together to bring awareness to the threatened or endangered status of many plants, animals and invertebrates. Not only was a beautiful book of art created, but numerous collaborations were birthed.

Through our outreach and collaborations we strive to inspire and inform. By encouraging others to spread their wings we too are enabled to soar higher. The creative impetus is not bound by borders. What touches and affects Alaskans often reaches far beyond the state.



Just as the birds and pollinators migrate and the sea currents touch many lands, so do people and ideas enrich each other.

Collaborations are a catalyst for creativity. We are honored to be a part of a beautiful movement of art, conservation and empowering people find their own artistic expression.

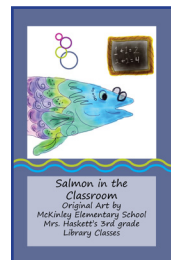
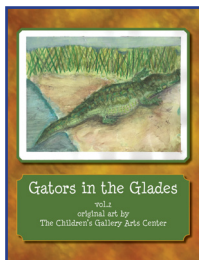
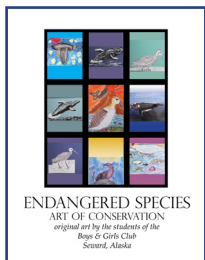
Students learn about conservation through art.

Our Art of Conservation project connected with teachers and students from around the country.

✎ Students from Seward Boys & Girls Club learned about and did art reflecting several species of endangered animals in Alaska.

✎ Students from an arts center in South Florida expressed what they learned about alligators in the Everglades through art.

✎ Elementary students in Washington watched salmon eggs hatch and grow in the classroom and demonstrated it through their art. cont. pg 2



Highlights...

💡 Endangered Species book released in time for Endangered Species Day May 16, 2014.

💡 Collaborations with students improve understanding of conservation issues and inspire creative thinking.

💡 Art is a valuable tool for learning in science and developing tools for dealing with emotional traumas.

💡 Upcoming projects include Our Oceans, Art of Pollination, Public Lands and National Park Service 100 yr. anniversary.

💡 Thank you to the many individuals and organizations that help us help others.

Chugach Arts Council Newsletter

Spring 2014

continued from page 1.

Students learn about conservation through art.

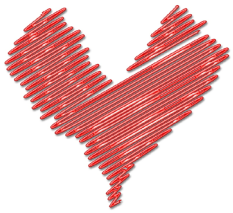
Conservation is not restricted by boundaries. Air, water, migratory animals, birds and fish as well as people travel and affect each other.

Becoming aware of conditions that are of concern in other areas enables individuals and communities to do what they can to preserve the resources that affect us all.

Art, Science and Healing

Art is powerful for its own sake and as a vehicle for learning and for healing. Educational standards strive to include S.T.E.M. (science, technology, engineering, math). The techniques, tools and skills of art apply also to STEM learning. Our collaborations with schools and youth not only result in art but in improved creative thinking skills.

S.T.E.M.



Art has long been known to be helpful in healing of mental, spiritual and emotional conditions or trauma. We have made some wonderful connections with organizations that use art to assist victims of abuse and other situations to find wholeness and healing.

More to come on these projects. Let us know if you have ideas or want to be involved in future projects.

Upcoming projects

Art of Conservation projects will include Our Oceans in connection with World Oceans Day, Jun 8th and Art of Pollination to connect with National Pollinator Week, June 16-23.

Plans also include a project geared to public lands in honor of National Public Lands Day, September 27, 2014.

2016 is the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service and we are discussing some events and project to help celebrate our National Parks.



Thank You. . .

⚓ To all the artists that contributed work to the Endangered Species book and helped make it such a great success.

⚓ To all the art teachers, science teachers and youth leaders that encouraged students to learn about the world around them and

⚓ To the communities of Seward, Whittier and Anchorage that have given us their support and encouragement.

⚓ To the arts councils around the state and country that have invited their members to participate in our projects.