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Children's drawings from the collection of the Zánka Gallery of Children's Works of Art





The Hungarian Pioneers' Union has set up in the Pioneers' Town at Lake Balaton, Zánka a Gallery of Children's Works of Art. The base of its collection is composed of works sent in for the fine and applied arts competition and the best works made in art education camps or in pioneer leaders' training camps. Children who have done well at competitions and whose activities are already known, are invited each summer to art education camps where they work under the guidance of the best artists.

The collection comprises about 5000 pieces that have been assessed by a jury. The best exhibits are displayed not only in the Pioneers' Town but in the main towns of Hungary. Since 1976 works sent in for international competitions by children from 33 countries have enriched the collection.

When a child enters a defined phase of his mental development, through the care of the adults he learns his mother tongue and also gets to know that there is another face of the tangible world which is the sight. He also realizes that this sight can be put down in signs. Through them different thoughts, feelings, contents can be conveyed. Long and hard is the way until one is able to communicate consciously – and not simply to draw pictures. The works in the Gallery reflect the environment and life of the children with unaffectedness and simple and lovable charm. The experiences of children manifest themselves in the use of special colours and forms, in the exhibited works.

The pictures speak for themselves in their own language.

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List of Works and Creators

- 1. Tamás HASZILLÓ, 6 years old "Indians" – felt pen
- Ágnes BORCSOK, 7 years old "I am sitting on the giraffe" – tempera
- 3. Emese SZABÓ, 8 years old "Feeding-table" - crayon
- 4. Zsolt ANTONI, 9 years old "In the Circus" – tempera
- 5. Gyöngyi KALÁNYOS, 10 years old "Of the Pioneers' 12 Rules" – crayon
- 6. Anikó SCHONÍG, 10 years old "Fairy Tale" – mixed
- 7. János ORSÓS, 11 years old "Witch" – tempera
- 8. Mária GOLDINGER, 12 years old "Winter" – coloured homespun material
- 9. Emma TÓTH, 13 years old "Magic Mirror" – batique
- 10. Zsuzsa NAVRATIL Ildikó KOSZTA, 13 years old "We are happy because we live in peace" – crayon
- 11. László TAKÁCS, 13 years old "Life in the Sea" – tempera
- Ildikó BABKA, Klára BIRGÉS, Szilvia BÖRÖCZKY, Ildikó KISS, Irén LÖWEY, Judit SÁRKÁNY and Ágnes SZÁ-VOLOVITS (age: 12, 13, 14) "Fairy Tale" (made in the Zánka Art Camp, 1978)
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