



# POSSIBILITIES

Early Childhood in Asia and the Pacific

# PHOTO contest 08



## BACKGROUND

The Asia-Pacific Regional Network for Early Childhood is pleased to announce the first photo contest on the theme **Possibilities: Early Childhood in Asia and the Pacific**. This contest is an effort to promote positive and tangible changes in the regional early childhood environment and contribute to the realization of the potential of all the young children in all member countries of the region. The 12 winning photos will be featured in the "ARNEC: Possibilities for Early Childhood in Asia and the Pacific Calendar 2009" and will also be posted on the ARNEC website.

The contest highlights early childhood in the Asia-Pacific region and will serve as groundwork for regional advocacy initiatives. In the future, these could be built on further and serve as assessments of the region's perception on early childhood.



## ARNEC

Asia-Pacific Regional Network  
for Early Childhood



## CRITERIA AND CONDITIONS

- The photos should depict positive images of early childhood in the Asia-Pacific, featuring:
  - children (ages 0-8) in play, alone, in a group, or with family members; interacting with peers, family members, caregivers; indoors and/or outdoors; learning; or in various settings (school, nursery).
  - men and women involved in early childhood care, education and development.
- Digital photographs must be submitted in TIFF, EPS or JPEG format with a resolution of at least 300 dpi via e-mail addressed to **Kanitha Kongrukreatiyos (kkongrukreatiyos@unicef.org)**.
- Or send us hard copies of the photographs or in a CD-ROM to:  
**ARNEC Secretariat, c/o UNICEF East Asia and Pacific Regional Office, 19 Phra Atit Rd.  
BANGKOK, THAILAND 10200**
- With each photo, please indicate the name of the photographer, the title of the photo, the year in which the photo was taken, the place where it was taken, and any additional information regarding the activity that is taking place.
- Provide the photographer's information including his/her name, country and occupation.
- The photos should be taken after 2000.
- The photos should have never been used previously in any publications, promotional materials, websites, etc.
- Each organization or individual may submit more than one entry.

## 4 CORNERSTONES: To Secure a Strong Foundation for Young Children



ARNEC supports the Consultative Group's Early Childhood Care and Development (CG-ECCD) 4 Cornerstones, which are:

**Cornerstone 1: Start at the beginning**

Integrate early stimulation, child development, and parenting information into prenatal, early health, nutrition, and education services by providing parenting programs or improving services for young children and families.

**Cornerstone 2: Get ready for success**

Ensure access to at least two years of quality early childhood programs prior to formal school entry, beginning with the most vulnerable and disadvantaged children.

**Cornerstone 3: Improve primary school quality**

Increase investments and improve the transition from home or preschool to primary school and the quality of learning in Grades 1-3 by providing teachers with knowledge about early childhood, giving children adequate learning materials and ensuring smaller sized classes.

**Cornerstone 4: Improve early childhood in policies**

Address early childhood in all national policies and plans across sectors.

When submitting a photo(s), please indicate which Cornerstone the photo represents if the photo(s) is/are in line with one of the Cornerstone messages, along with a description and explanation of how the photo best depicts the Cornerstone. More information about the CG's 4 Cornerstones may be viewed here: <http://www.ecdgroup.com/Key-Focus-Areas.asp>.

## CONTEST SCHEDULE



- All entries must be received by December 15 2008.
- Judging of photos will take place throughout the end of December 2008.
- The 12 winning photos will be announced early January 2009.

## AWARDS

The 12 contest winners will have their photos featured in the "Possibilities: Early Childhood in the Asia-Pacific ARNEC Calendar 2009." All winning photos will also be featured on the ARNEC website: <http://www2.unescobkk.org/ARNEC/>.

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