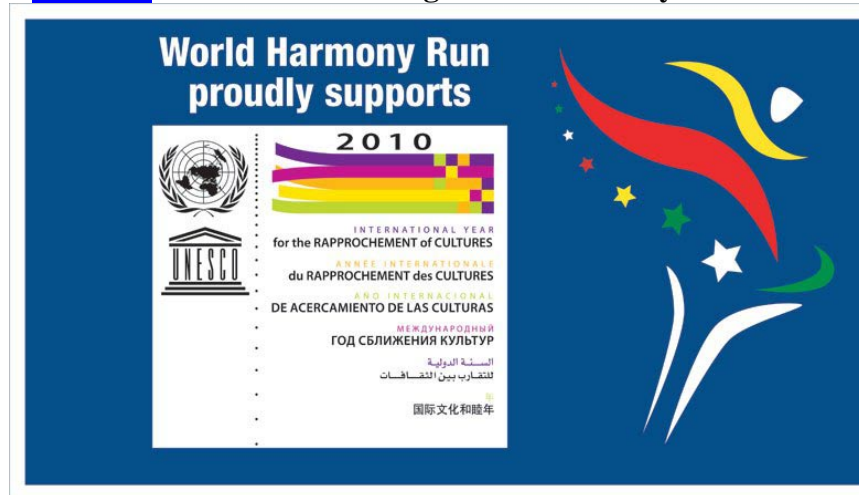


Examples of IYRC Introduced at Events: Part 01

This document shows some ways 2010 International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures is introduced during World Harmony Run events.



See also: http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/unesco_year/iyrc_examples

For example In addition to the prominent placement throughout the 2010 International Launch of the World Harmony Run during April in New York;

This is Part 01: http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/images/global/unesco_year/iyrc_examples/whr_iyrc_pict_pt_01.pdf

Philadelphia, Pa:

- [Historic Church, City Hall](#) Park with [local Media](#)
- School - some [Languages were read](#) by Children who [held the torch together](#).

Rising Sun, Maryland

- [Mayor leads run](#) to 400 children, song, [2010 Banner](#)
- [Country Flags, National Dress, proclamation, Classes](#) study [various different countries](#)

Washington, DC:

- [First school](#) to read out all the [6 official languages](#) of the UN which are on the logo.
- [Colors on the Years Banner](#) which keep their uniqueness
- Embassy [welcomes](#) the Run in [colorful function room](#) and [appreciates the year 2010](#) Cultural Diversity theme

Florida:

- Hundreds of Children form a [huge Thank You Heart](#) with the Banner and [IYRC Logo in the center](#)

Greece:

- Children enjoy [running with the 2010 Logo on banner](#),
- Three [schools join](#) together, soccer team [participates](#) in front of banner and reaches out

China:

- [Planting a tree](#), National and International [runners together](#),
- Runner [Musicians perform with the 2010 Logo](#) on banner

Mongolia:

- Boarder chiefs and [staff form lines to warmly welcome international team](#) of runners entering country;
- Together plant [4 trees for peace and Harmony](#); and [share torch with 2010 banner](#).
- Later days events have incredible [ceremonies, buildings](#) and [pictures](#)

Hungary - Full Day event in Budapest

- Culture, [artistic, sporting, entertaining](#), + educational activities in a huge public space.
- Many [thousands of children](#) made [drawings](#) on the theme of harmony and "reverence for Mother Nature."
- Paper in [shape of a huge tree](#) was alive with [activity](#) and color.
- Ashrita Furman and Bipin Larkin set a [new Guinness record](#) which increased [media coverage](#)

- [Stage](#) for [bands](#), singers, dancers, [gymnastics](#), acrobatics and [more](#)
- [Enthusiastic](#) runners with [energy](#) going at various speeds
- Banner and logo for 2010, [all day at different events](#) was [discussed](#); Messages shared [described 2010](#) and [the run](#)
- Austrian [Clown Magician](#) and children [with the 2010 logo](#)
- [World Heritage sites](#), include [Banks of Danube](#) and [Buda Castle](#)
- Painter, [vészabó noémi](#), honorary adjudicator beautiful letter.: "children know the secret, they dare to believe"

For PART 2 see: http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/images/global/unesco_year/iyrc_examples/whr_iyrc_pict_pt_02.pdf

Part 2 contains: **Canada** - 4 days: Parliament, Interfaith and Unesco Heritage sites; **Austria** :[alpine ski champion](#); A [child leads](#) - [Peace-bridge](#), Emperor's [Castle](#); **Utah** - **Arizona** [Valley of the Gods](#), [Monument Valley](#) - [Navaho reservation](#)-; **Nova Scotia, Canada** School takes [message](#)., [drums](#), [Virtues](#), [Mi'kmaq song](#).

Philadelphia —

Christ Church where many of the founding fathers and families attended over 220 years ago.



The [UN and UNESCO International Year 2010](#) logo dedicated to "Cultural Diversity" was discussed.

Philadelphia City Center - Love Park across from City Hall



...very fitting to have a banner in support of the "[International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures](#)" highlighted today with the World Harmony Runners and special guests in front of the famous "LOVE" emblem.

Paoli In suburban Philadelphia



St. Norbert School,
Children read out part of the UN and UNESCO logo for year 2010 in different languages.

For local press coverage of the event, go to the [Main line Media News](#) web site - [video](#), [pictures](#)

[Google news](#) also



Students who participated in the language identification exercise then held the torch together with a team member who is fluent in the first two of the six languages.



Other students were able to share the torch with the USA Team Captain.

Message from UNESCO - * the same morning the Run received [a message](#) from UNESCO in Paris. "The main objective of 2010: [International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures](#) is not only to foster respect for each other's culture and break down the barriers between different cultures, but also to promote ideals of peace, fraternity and wellbeing". The World Harmony Run "corresponds perfectly to the objectives of the Year and covers multiple aspects and opportunities to promote dialogue through cultural interactions"

Rising Sun, Maryland.

For a full report of 2010 Apr. 21 see <http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/usa/news/2010/week01/0421>

We were greeted by Mayor Judith Cox at the Rising Sun Elementary School along with teachers, staff, Superintendent of Schools and Board of Education members.



During our presentation there were about 20 children standing behind us on the stage, each holding a flag of a different country that they themselves made.

The diversity of flags and attire fit very nicely with the Logo for the [UN and UNESCO Year 2010](#) which is on the run banner this year.



We followed Mayor Cox into the auditorium of about 400 children and over 20 teachers and staff singing our World Harmony Run Theme song.

Some of the children on this day were also dressed in traditional costumes of their respective country for the program.



Most of the time, we sing this song to the children at the end of our program with the hope of having them sing along with us.



They surprised us as they were so beautifully led by the music teacher, who enthusiastically played along on the piano.



The World Harmony Run supports the goals of the [International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures](#)::reaching out to others, sharing and appreciating our cultural diversity is very important.

Mayor Cox read out a wonderful proclamation.



Children showed much eagerness to participate in the days program.



The Superintendent of Schools told everyone that he has two prayers that he says every night before going to bed: that he makes proper decisions for the good of the children every day and that there be peace on earth.



It was quite a sight to see so many different flags being displayed at the event and around the school. This fit perfectly with the theme of the Harmony Run, appreciation of cultural diversity and [the year 2010](#) as mentioned above.

Seeing Countries for Classes

Some classrooms that showed us the country they had been studying (Iceland)



A tour of the hallways gave a good indication of how the children decorated their classroom doors in various ways. With a theme of a country.(Spain).



Not only was it an educational experience for them and for visitors,(Romania)

But it was also quite a creative and educational project as well as aesthetic project (Costa Rica)



Visit our [gallery](#) to see more! (Hungary)

Washington DC [click for a full report of 2010 apr 22](#)

Oneness Family School and Peace Academy



One of the major highlights of the World Harmony Run in the USA, especially at the very beginning, is being hosted by the [Oneness-Family School and Peace Academy](#) in Chevy Chase, Maryland, just north of Washington, D.C. About 20 teachers and over 140 students welcomed us .



This was first location where the staff and students were able to read out phrases in all of the 6 UN Official languages that appear on the Logo for the year. It was noted that the space on the bottom of the logo (just after the 6th language) could be used to insert other languages from a host or visiting country! Those who joined during one of the language exercises had a chance to hold the torch together.



Unique Colors - Make up the whole At the top of the logo for the year 2010 there are many different color strands which join together at one end to form a symbol, yet each strand keeps its unique color to make the whole.



The runners and the children sang together the World Harmony Run Theme song.

Embassy of Bangladesh, Washington D.C



We were invited to visit the [Bangladesh Embassy in Washington, D.C](#) and carried the Torch into their very colorful function room where a traditional village hut was set up as part of the Bangladeshi New Years just celebrated a few weeks ago.



H.E. Akramul Qader, the Ambassador of Bangladesh to the USA, had stressed most persuasively on many occasions how important he believed culture was to peace. He spoke eloquently about Bangladesh's contributions to peace and international cooperation.

Eisenhower Elementary, Clearwater Florida

[\(for full report and more photos of May 4th click here\)](#)

A Thank You Harmony Heart's sweetest fragrance



At Eisenhower Elementary, we were greeted by over 700 enthusiastic students and many teachers eagerly awaiting our arrival. All the children and teachers made a huge heart shaped formation to say "Thank You".



It included everyone as well as the Harmony Run Banner with the 2010 UN and UNESCO [International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures](#) Logo.

Pinellas Central Elementary School.



“Be A Buddy, Not A Bully”

We were greeted outdoors by over 600 students and teachers.

After our program and singing of our theme song, the children, with the help of one of the enthusiastic teachers, sang for us a song they wrote for their special day called, ‘Be A Buddy, Not A Bully’.

Greece

Running with Banner for a full report of 2010 May 6th day see:

<http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/greece/news/2010/0506>



Greece School Children enjoy running with the banner at Ekbedevtiria Panou Private School, Nafpaktos.

Greece (continued) Three schools join for a programme



3 schools together at Amfilochia Primary School in front of banner, with city as background

For full report of 2010 May 07 see:

<http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/greece/news/2010/0507>



Children had prepared drawings to give to our international runners for our next exhibition.

The next day at a soccer field near Ioannina the torch and banner were shared by players.



Full report of 2010 May 08 see:

<http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/greece/news/2010/0508>

China

For full report of day 2010 May 09 see:
<http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/china/news/2010/0509a>



Representatives of five countries planting a peace tree.



National and International Team Share the Torch.



International musicians from the running team perform for audience with 2010 IYRC on Banner.

Some special sights



Team on an ancient 'triadic' bridge.

Mongolia: -Khavirga Border Point (Хавирга боомт)

Report of 2010 May 15 see: - <http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/mongolia/news/2010/0515>



Border chiefs and staff in lines warmly welcome international team of runners entering country.



Four peace trees were planted by border staff and Harmony Run members.



Sharing the Torch of Harmony and Peace in Mongolia with 2010 banner at the starting point of 2,600 kilometer journey



Хөвсгөл аймгийн Мөрөн хот



Full report of 2010 May 31: <http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/mongolia/news/2010/week03/0531>

Hungary - Full Day event in Budapest

For full report of day 2010 May 14 see:

http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/unesco_year/iyrc_examples/day_event_example_hungary

So much enthusiasm and energy ...



Many thousands of children made drawings on the theme of harmony and respect for mother nature:

"We can have harmony if we have a deep reverence for Mother Nature."



The paper that they drew on was arranged in shape of a huge tree representing a live tree and the tree of life.

- **Hungary – (continued) The Plaza and Stage now were alive with activity!**



Ashrita Furman, who holds the World Record for the most Guinness World Records, was also in Budapest for this event.



This increased media coverage of the day's events. Ashrita with his friend, Bipin Larkin, also set a new record.

The stage provided an ongoing focus at one end of the park for the day. It had many different language run banners.

Performers included singers, dancers, gymnastics, acrobatics and much more...

Great jumping inspired younger ones to see what they could eventually do.



The run banner and logo for the 2010 "International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures" had been observed all day at different events. Discussion was in answer to questions from the moderator on stage between performances.

- The translations of the 6 official UN languages appearing on the banner, were identified.
- The symbolism for the logo's graphic in many different color strands, was also appreciated.
- [The message from](#) Davidson Hepburn, President of the General Conference of UNESCO, to all the participants of the World Harmony Run in 2010 was mentioned in addition to [other messages](#) that further described the significance of 2010 and the run.

Hungary – (continued)

Austrian Clown Magician Magnificently entertains



After the performance, children eagerly climbed on stage to have their picture with Tulasi the magician and the banner with 2010 logo

World Heritage sites

Next to the plaza is Heroes Square,



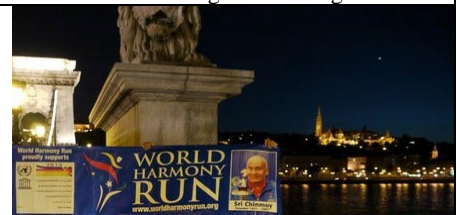
The end of Andrassy Avenue – is part of World Heritage Budapest (<http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/400>). So it was very appropriate that toward the end of a very full day some children joined for pictures holding the torch and banner with the very impressive warriors on horses watching in the background

Another group of children had other significant Historical figures in the square watching them with the banner



That evening some local participants and international runners took the banner to other sites on [list](#) including:

- The Banks of the Danube
- The Buda Castle Quarter



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WORLD HARMONY RUN THEME SONG

Words and Music
By Sri Chinmoy
April 15, 2005





Run, run, run, run, run, run! World - Har - mo - ny - Run. _____

We are the one - ness and full - ness _____ of To - mor - row's Sun. _____

Listen on www.worldharmonyrun.org/song

- In over 140 countries,
- The Torch is passed: hand to hand
- A symbol of international understanding.
- Harmony begins in each one of us.

Sri Chinmoy

Founder (1931 - 2007)