



## SPECIAL ISSUE: POPOKI'S 2007

**2007 is almost over. How was your year? Thanks to everyone, Popoki had a great year. In this issue of *Popoki's News*, we will take a brief look at Popoki's activities during the past year.**

### January

In the first issue of *Popoki's News* last year, we declared the following as goals for 2007. Thanks to everyone, we have been able to meet them!

1. Publish *Popoki's Peace Book*!
2. Use the book together with all of you!
3. Everyone use the book in their own setting!
4. Enjoy working for peace!



The decision is made to go ahead with publication of the book!

### February

#### 2.1 Contract is signed with Epic

↓ Sample page



#### 2.10 At Kobe YMCA Traveling Children's Peace Art Exhibit



# March

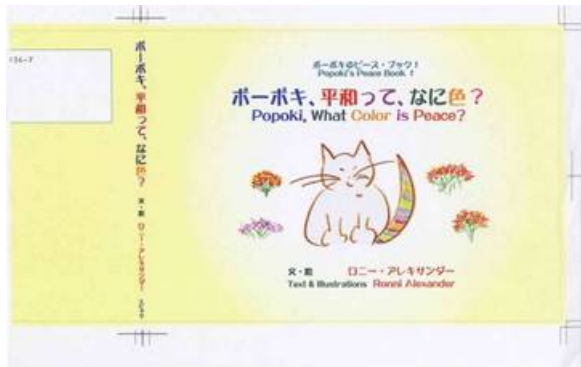


Work to prepare the manuscript for publication was done by the 'Po-kai,' which met a number of times in February and March. Thanks to everyone's hard work, we were able to publish a good book.

Popoki made an appearance at the International Women's Day Symposium (3.8) held at the UN University in Tokyo →



# April



← The cover design



Many friends at the Kobe Eiko Church bought copies!



# May



5.15 The book is finally released!



I had a hard time getting used to signing the book!

We received an encouraging e-mail from Archbishop Desmond Tutu!

Dear friend,

Thank you so very much for the delightful Popoki story. I like it. Well done.

God bless you,

+Desmond Tutu



5.26

At

the 'Peace is Good! World Citizens' Festival'



5.31 Peace Book Workshop at the Kobe YMCA 4F 'English Space Free Zone'



## June



We were excited to meet Yasushi Yasuno, a *kamishibai* (Japanese story board) artist, at the Kyoto International Manga Museum. As a result, the *Popoki, What Color is Peace? Kamishibai* was born.

6.24 Reading to children at the Kobe

Eiko Church→



← Popoki makes it into the classroom, too.

## July

### Popoki at the Timor Leste Youth Peace Camp 7.31-8.4







The National Alliance of YMCAs Japan gave all of the participants Popoki T-shirts

## August



Summer camp! Popoki joined friends from Thailand, Korea, China, Hong Kong and all over Japan at Kobe YMCA's Yoshima Camp (Kagawa Prefecture). He was very popular!

Children enjoy 'Popoki Data' which has been translated into their different languages →



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8.31 Workshop at Kobe Kaisei Hospital



## September

### Asia Pacific Alliance of YMCAs Conference (Chiang Mai, Thailand)

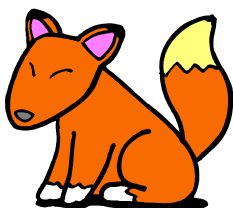


Japan YMCA Booth →

Popoki Presentation ↑ ↓



YMCA Japan gave a copy of the book to each participating YMCA National Council



# October



Popoki in Niigata!  
(10.6)



Peace as a Global Language  
(Imagine Peace) 10.28

# November

Planning session with Betty Reardon, professor emeritus, Teacher's College, Columbia University. Discussed sale at UN Headquarters in NYC and participation in the International Institute for Peace Education, etc. Photo f/ left: Satoko, Ronni, Betty, Becky





# December



← Popoki in Nishinomiya  
Nishinomiya City International Association  
(12.1)

On sale at Pomune in Hiroshima ↓



Going on sale at the Hiroshima Peace  
Museum, too!

2<sup>nd</sup> Printing is decided! 1000 new copies  
will be available in January!



Thank you for all your help this year. We are looking forward to working together  
next year, too.

**PLEASE HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

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## **UPCOMING POPOKI EVENTS**

- 2008.1.31 Keynote speech at the 'Globalization, Aboriginal Issue and Social Justice Conference' January 31 to February 2, 2008. University of Winnipeg.
- 2.10 YMCA Traveling Children's Peace Art Exhibit Opening, Kobe, Harada no Mori Gallery (*Details: Kobe YMCA*)
- 2.13 Lunchtime workshop, Article 9 Association, Nada-Ku Ward Office
- 2.19 St. Thomas University, Faculty Development Workshop
- 3.8 Theatre 9 Workshop, 13:30—15:30 Kobe, Sannomiya.

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## **PLEASE HELP SUPPORT THE POPOKI PEACE PROJECT!**

The Popoki Peace Project is a voluntary project which uses Popoki's peace book and DVD to promote peace through various activities such as peace camps, peace workshops, seminars and other activities including work on *Popoki's Peace Book 2. Popoki, What Color is Peace?* has been translated into Thai, Chinese, Korean, Khmer, Indonesian, Tetun and Bengali. Farsi, Lao and Swahili translations are underway. If you would like to translate Popoki, or have a way to have the book sold at your local bookstore, please let us know.

### **How to purchase *Popoki, What Color is Peace? Popoki's Peace Book 1* from outside of Japan**

1. Go to your local Japanese bookstore: Kinokuniya, Maruzen, etc. (or their website)
2. In North America, thanks to a very satisfied customer, *Popoki, What Color is Peace? Popoki's Peace Book 1* can be ordered from Kinokuniya Bookstore in Los Angeles. The bookstore is at [www.los\\_angeles@kinokuniya.com](http://www.los_angeles@kinokuniya.com) and the telephone number is 213.687.4480. The price is US\$20.00 plus tax.

### **How to purchase *Popoki, What Color is Peace? Popoki's Peace Book 1* from inside Japan**

There are various ways.

From the publisher, Epic: TEL: 078-241-7561 · FAX: 078-241-1918

From Amazon.co.jp or your local bookseller

From the Popoki Peace Project ([popokipeace.yahoo.co.jp](http://popokipeace.yahoo.co.jp))

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***Contributions are always welcome!***

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From within Japan, please use Popoki's Postal account.

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**THANK YOU FROM POPOKI !**