



Popoki's Resolutions for 2008!

1. Make more new friends through sales of *Popoki, What Color is Peace? Popoki's Peace Book 1* and succeed in selling the entire second printing (1000 copies) by the end of the year!
2. Continue to make new friends through holding workshops in and outside of Japan!
3. Begin having book readings and other activities through the Popoki Peace Project!
4. Have Popoki be a part of everyone's activities, and through that, increase Popoki's circle of friends.
5. Work on preparation of *Popoki, What Color are Friends? Popoki's Peace Book 2*.

Another 1000 Copies!

Thanks to everyone's hard work, we were able to sell all 2500 copies of the initial printing! On 15 January, an additional 1000 copies were printed. Let's sell all of these and continue to expand Popoki's circle of friends.

Special thanks go to the following people/organizations. They were particularly helpful in making the second printing possible:



- Kobe YMCA
- ANT-Hiroshima
- 兵庫県在日外国人教育研究協議会(県外教)
- Satoko Katsuragi
- Gerry Yokota



- Another goal: Let's put Popoki in all of Japan's public libraries! If a library member puts in a request, public libraries will buy books. Another idea is to put Popoki in your former primary school, junior high or high school library.

How about joining us?

The activities of the Popoki Peace Project (editing, events, book sales, workshops, etc.) are conducted through a group called Po-Kai. We get together occasionally and discuss our activities. We are delighted to have new members. If you are in Kansai and interested, please contact us at the following address: popokipeace@yahoo.co.jp

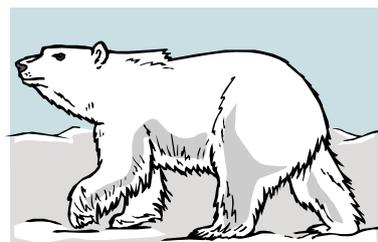
Media Coverage

Kobe City Pharmacy Association Newsletter, No.36 January 2008

Ryoso (Kobe University Alumni Magazine), February 2008.

Kobe University Style, February 2008.

Kansai Time Out, March, 2008



Try this restaurant! Kokitsune-an (小狐庵) (Japanese udon noodles)

We visited Kokitsune-An in Chuo-ku, Kobe.
(Kokitsune means 'Little Fox') .

(About 5 minutes walk from the No. 2 bus Kano-cho 3 chome bus stop)

Q: What does peace taste like?

A: "I think it must be delicious, good food." 'Sweet' or 'spicy' are different for each person, but everyone recognizes something that is 'delicious.' Everyone knows when food is really good. Maybe that's peace.



Address: Ikuta-cho 2-6-10, Chuo-ku Kobe

Hours: 11:00-16:00, 17:00-19:00

Q: What is the goal of your restaurant?

A: Of course one goal is to serve 'delicious' food. That means the kind of good food we ate as children. The seasoning we use is all traditional Japanese flavors. Another thing we strive for is the atmosphere. We want people to feel relaxed and enjoy their meal. The third thing is our menu. Of course we have



standard items, but we also have a monthly special which features seasonal products. We try to be creative about our menu and to serve some special items.



Q: What is your definition of 'peace'?

A: I understand that in Buddhism, one lesson is that you don't act for yourself but for others. I think that is peace. Of course, as I said before, good food and a relaxing atmosphere are also important for peace...

Ronni and Satoko ate at Kokitsune-An on 1/14 and ordered the Monthly Special. When we delivered the books, we had Kakiage Udon and Udon with Yuba and Soy Milk. Everything was really delicious! Please give it a try!



← Monthly special

Popoki on sale →

Kokitsune-An, Thank you!

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Ronni and Popoki's 2008 Calendar

It is going to be another busy year! Here are some of our commitments.

2008.1

1/31 Conference: "Aboriginal Governance, Globalization and Social Justice,"
Winnipeg University. Ronni and Popoki are giving the keynote address.

2008.2

2/9 Opening of Children's Traveling Peace Art Exhibit 15:00—16:00 Harada no
Mori Gallery, Kobe

2/10 Hyogo Foreign Resident's Research Council (Kengaikyo) Conference. Book
sales (Kobe)

2/17 Kobe University Volunteer Seminar (Kobe)

2/19 日 FD Workshop, St. Thomas University (Amagasaki)

2008.3

3/8 日 Theatre 9 Workshop (Kobe)

3/19 Himeji High School (560 people ! ? !)

2008.5

5/4—6 Article 9 World Conference (Makuhari/Osaka)

2008.6

Peace Studies Association of Japan

2008.7

International Peace Research Association (Belgium)

2008.8

International Institute for Peace Education (Haifa, Israel)

YMCA Camp?

8/22 — 23 Hyogo Foreign Resident's Research Council (Kengaikyo) National
Conference (Kobe)

2008.9

Possibility of a Hiroshima-Nagasaki Exhibit and perhaps workshop in Pittsburgh, PA,
USA....but not certain yet.

2008.10

10/6—10 International Peace Museum Conference (Kyoto)

Peace as a Global Language Conference (Tokyo)



What Popoki Means to Me

One of Popoki's supporters, Satsuki Yanagihara, sent a copy of the book to a friend. This is her comment. Satsuki Yanagihara says, "She is a doctor involved in community health, and I met her when I was working on a JICA Chagas' disease project. She is a really talented person."

Blanca Leticia Cuyuch (El Salvador)

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sabes que me gusto mucho la introduccion del libro cuando menciona que ayudara a aprovechar nuestras pensamientos y todos nuestros sentidos a descubrir la paz? y al final de la misma hace que reflexiones sobre que color seria un mundo pacifico? sinceramente me gustaria que fuera azul... lo cual reflejaria agua no contaminada y

cielos despejados sin contaminacion, y que todos los seres vivos en la faz de la tierra merecen respeto y esto es la paz.... si me respetan como persona, como ser humano, si respetan mi espacio, mi SER, no tengo por que enojarme... y no tengo por que hacer guerra, tu sabes la violencia que origina la desigualdad de genero, de poder, economico, social y cultural... hay mucho de que comentar sobre el libro por ello te dije es muy profundo... tambien pienso sobre cuando menciona que la paz puede cambiar de color dependiendo de que angulo la veas??? quizas... todos al final tienen la razon, tanto el que hace la guerra como el que la quiere detener con otra guerra... o cuando menciona como puedo vivir en paz cuando otros no la tienen???... me gusto tambien cuando mencina que el gato tiene amigos de muchos colores, eso se traduce como el amor a todos los seres humanos sin importar su color, (no al racismo) ..

Do you know that I liked the Introduction where it says that the book is to help us use our minds and all our senses to think about peace. I also like the end of the Introduction where it asks the color of a peaceful world. If I were asked the color of

peace, I would say 'blue.' Blue represents unpolluted sky and uncontaminated water where all the creatures living there are respected. To me, that is peace. Being respected as a human being means that your place and your *being* are safe...and there is no war. You know that violence comes from discrepancies in gender, power, economics, social status, culture.... There is much I could say about this book because it is very profound. I've thought about whether 'the color of peace changes according to the angle from which you look.' If you have experienced war, you want to stop other wars. I like when it asks whether you can have peace if other people do not. I also like the page where Popoki has friends of many different colors. I think this means that when you love people, color (race) doesn't matter.



Translation: Satsuki Yanagihara with a little help from her friends...

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.

Information: 078-222-8651 email : kobeenkan@nifty.com

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 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)

Contributions are always welcome!

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

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Account number: 00920-4-280350



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