Letter of GD Youth Link 2022

Dear ,

The GD Youth Link is a platform for international youth exchange. In the summer of 2018 and 2019 it staged a five day program featuring culture, sports and sciences in Guangdong. In 2020, it organized *Journey to Hope* online Arts Exhibition and the *Greetings Over the Cloud* online Concert. In 2021, GD Youth Link My Storyboard Competition recieved over 260 works from 15 countries. This platform continues to voice the wish for peace and friendship of the younger generation in spite of travel barriers brought by the pandemic.

This year, the 2022 GD Youth Link My Storyboard Competition, in collaboration with nine cities of Guangdong province in the Great Bay Area will be held from June to September. We’d like to invite young people of all nationalities to join and create handmade storyboard centering the theme of The Green Future, draw and feature the world they live in and be the reporter of their life, in Chinese or English. A mother tongue version with Chinese or English translation is also eligible. All participants can access the online training package.

We look forward to your participation in GD Youth Link 2022 and would like to seek your support in helping invite young people in your city to join us in the 2022 GD Youth Link. Please find attached more information about the Competition. Please feel free to contact us in case of any questions.

Thank you again for your support and participation.

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with Foreign Countries

**2022 GD Youth Link My Storyboard**

**1.Background**

In 2022, the GD Youth Link joined the 27 year---storyboard program of Yangcheng Evening News Group and launched *the 2022 GD Youth Link My Storyboard Competition.* My Storyboard invites students of all nationalities to join and create handmade storyboard centering the theme of “The Green Future” draw and feature the world they live in and understand “Peak Carbon Dioxide Emissions” “Carbon Neutrality” ideas.

Established in 1996, Yangcheng Evening News Storyboard Program is a non-profit project with a history of 27 years and has an overall participation of over 1 million students in China. The Year 2021 witnessed the first collaboration between GD Youth Link and the Yangcheng Evening News as the project launched its first international session. Outstanding works will be awarded *2022 GD Youth Link Prize* and exhibited online.

**2.Organization**

2022 GD Youth Link My Story Board is

Sponsored by Foreign Affairs Office of Guangdong Province, Yangcheng Evening News Group and Guangdong People’s Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries

Co-sponsored by Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Zhuhai, Foshan, Huizhou, Dongguan, Zhongshan, Jiangmen, Zhaoqing People’s Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries

Supported by liaison offices of the sister provinces, states and cities and friendship organizations and cities’ association for friendship with foreign countries in Guangdong.

**3.Timetable**

Mid June Website open for online trainning and application

July 1 to August 31 Collection of work

Mid October Announcement of the Award list

November Prize Presentation

**4.Theme**

My Storyboard welcomes young people to elaborate on the topic of **The Green Future**. Local elements are most welcomed to add to the diversity of the topics. As the judging panel consists of experts both in Chinese or English, the storyboard may be written in Chinese or English. A mother tongue version with Chinese or English translation is also eligible.

1. **Program**

**5.1 Online Training**

The organizer will be happy to share its training package with international participants. The package is composed by 6 vlogs in Chinese with English subtitles. It will present prize winning works of previous sessions as samples and elaborate on elements necessary to a good story board.

**5.2Lighten the Green Future**

Scan the QR code or visit the official webpage of the competition and start your journey to "Lighten the Green Future". Choose your suggestion to a environmentally-friendly life, put it in a wish bottle, and embark its travel to all participating cities over the world. Click the send button and you will have your personal "green map" poster, which you may save and share with your pals.

**5.3 Online Exhibition of Awarded Pieces**

A judging panel composed by judges of art, culture and journalism background along with language specialists will decide the final list of award pieces. Name list and the awarded pieces will be exhibited online.

1. **About the Competition**

**6.1 Participant**

All students aged from 9 to 18.

**6.2 Submittion**

Through official website of competition (Scan the QR code on post) to fill in the registration form and submit work

or email completed registration form and work to ycwbhdp@163.com

or search “羊城活动派” in Wechat and log in the official website

**6.3 Prizes**

GD Youth Link Prize for outstanding work

Prize for Instructors

Prize for Best Support

**6.4 About the storyboard creation**

We encourage students to offer high definition digital photos of the storyboards on jpeg. format and reach 3600X2400 or above.

One attendant may submit no more than 2 pieces. One piece shall be authored by no more than two persons and under the guidance of no more than two tutors.

It is important for students to

---elaborate the stories under one particular theme. Stories may be self named but stick to the same theme.

---use all elements essential to a story board, including masthead ( to be self named), illustrations and texts. Every story board shall contain no less than 3 stories, as the key story of which is expected to be original.

---be creative as there is no specific requirements on the size of paper or material used to create other than your observation and imagination.