



SMILE TO THE WORLD

The Smile to the World banner combines 2000 paintings by children from across all the traditional divides in Ireland, into a giant rainbow that spans 100 feet in length and 18 feet height. Created following the events of September 11 by Irish artist Brian Cumiskey, the rainbow represents a metaphor for a world where differences enrich rather than divide a population.

First displayed in Dublin, Ireland, "Smile to the World" has attracted the support of Nobel Peace Prize winners Mr. John Hume and Mr. David Trimble, Irish President Mrs. Mary McAleese, and Catholic, Protestant, Islamic and Jewish leaders in Ireland and Northern Ireland. The drawings printed on the banner were selected from more than 130,000 entries by Irish schoolchildren.

This exhibition is sponsored by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Ireland to the U.N. and the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom to the U.N.

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