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### The Stardust Artists Paint Art for Japan Campaign

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*Have a friend in Japan that needs some good wishes. The Stardust Artists, "angels" have just such a friend, and classmate that has family in Japan... so they pitched in to send good wishes to all those in need..*

Leave it to a great young group of talented artists to jump right in to assist a classmate who has family in Japan, in the only way they can, by creating paintings with well wishes.

To assist the Santa Margarita Elementary school in it's efforts to earn money to help Japan in a program being held at the school, the students learned about camaraderie today. Anxious to help in any way they could, they were asked to paint noodles, a way of sending well wishes and good luck to those in need, a Japanese tradition.



A collaborative of The 7 young talented and enthusiastic artists from Garrison, Kyle Cotton, Deborah Harrison, Catherine Harrison and Kiya Wallace and from South Oceanside, Amelia Drew and Santa Margarita artists Misa Sturdivant and Mia Donnelly are to be commended for their wonderful hearts, thoughtfulness and interpretations of what would be a great offering to assist those in need.

With red banners, tea offerings, dragons and bowls of noodles they painted and sent their heartfelt wishes to be presented along with the group efforts at Santa Margarita Elementary school in Oceanside in assisting Japan. Donations will be auctioned off to buy clothing and other necessities for Japan.

"Students need to understand the world outside of their own and believe that they have a lot to offer by being creative and adaptive in many life skills. Art is only part of a learning experience and an expressive outlet. It provides a sense of self pride and accomplishments in being part of something bigger then themselves", stated Cheryl Ehlers, Art Instructor.

The Stardust Arts is a program which educates in the development of creativity and imagination through art. The belief that everyone is successful, if you only try



and there are no mistakes, only solutions.

Striving to teach spacial organization in art no only allows a student to apply the technique to everyday school curriculum, but creates a well rounded education and builds self confidence, that "you can do anything", if you only try...

Bravo to the students and in the knowledge that they have heart and soul and know what it is to give back! They are fantastic "Stardust Angels" and great young artists who one day will astound not only themselves but the world that will surround them as they grow.

Visit The Stardust Arts at [www.thestardustarts.com](http://www.thestardustarts.com). Enjoy the video, feel the energy and see, "that you can do anything"

For Questions and registration for art lessons currently being held at Garrison Elementary school, open to all Oceanside Unified district elementary schools, until April 27, 2011, on every Wednesday at 1:15pm, please contact Cheryl Ehlers at 760-519-1551 or email at [info@thestardustart.com](mailto:info@thestardustart.com).