How 'Children's Land' brings books and their creators closer to children

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www.vaikuzeme.lt

Who are we?

'Children's Land' was established by the Centre for Education Development in Vilnius in 2017. The aim of the programme is to promote children's culture, to emphasise its importance for personal and social development, and to develop new methods and tools for children to experience the joy of reading, learn about literary authors, and develop creativity, cognitive, cultural and other competences.

We are guided by the following principles:

Inclusion and representation

Internationality

Interdisciplinarity

The main audiences are children in different contexts (families, educational institutions, diaspora communities).

Children's literature community (authors, publishers, libraries, reading promotion initiatives).

Partnerships with various Lithuanian and foreign educational and cultural government and non-governmental organisations.

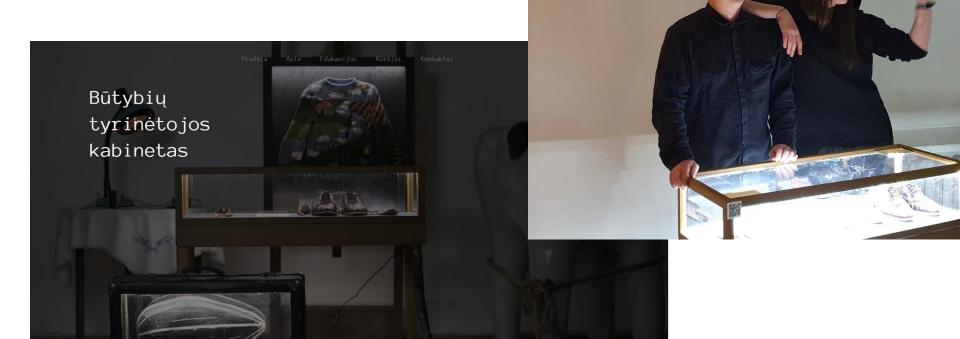
What are we doing?

- Literary festivals "Children's Book Island" and "Adventure continues".
- Literary education program "Extraordinary lesson with a book" (live and remotely).
- Industry event for children's literature "Wyspa Twórców".
- Books.



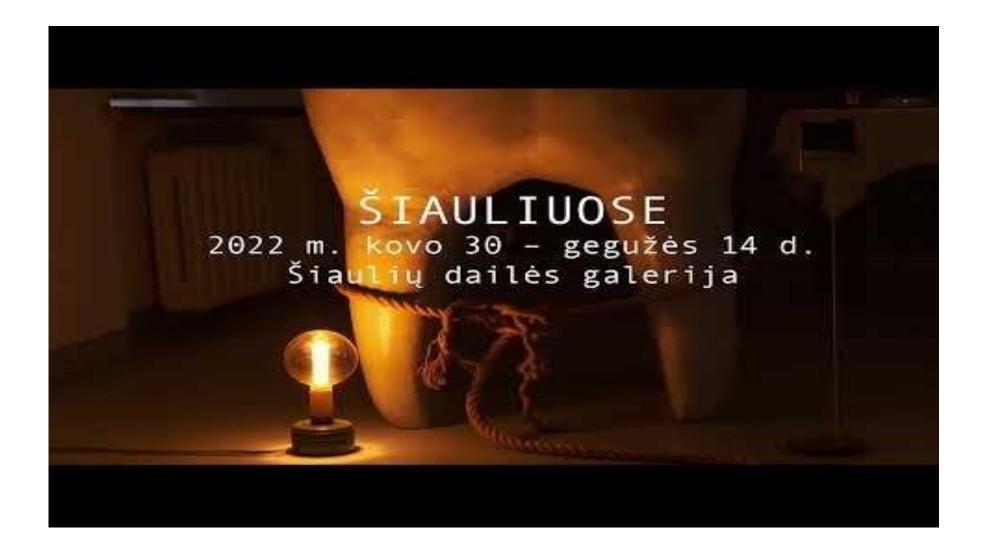
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We offer participation in the Millennium Schools Programme (Tūkstantmečio mokyklų programa

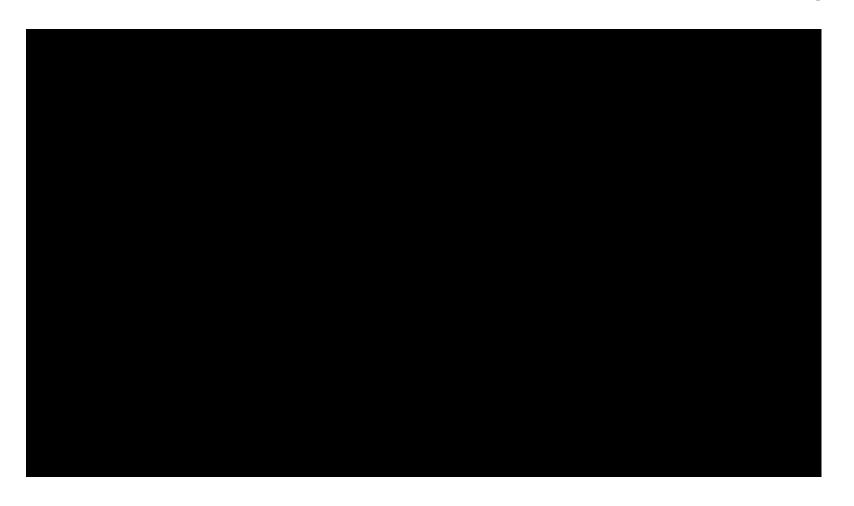
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Distance education. Duration 45 minutes. Video meeting + zoom





Literary Escape Room

Based on the book "The Enchanted Book of Mr Cook" by Tomas Dirgel





Literary Escape Room











Books

www.knygiukai.lt – 37 books written by 55 Lithuanian authors

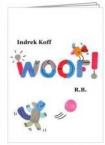
www.tinybooks.eu – 18 small folding books created by 36 authors from Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia



Small folding booklets















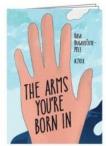


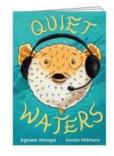
























Small folding booklets

- ✓ Create your own library.
- ✓ Discuss the stories you have read with a teacher or librarian.
- ✓ Create your own book.



Films in the 'Children's Land' media library

Virtual Week of Children's and Young People's Literature, organised jointly with IBBY Lithuania. It is aimed at grades 7-12 and is recommended for classes in history, Lithuanian language and literature, ethics and art.

https://www.lrt.lt/mediateka/video/virtuali-vaiku-ir-paaugliu-literaturos-savaite

BOOKS FORCIBLY HIDDEN FROM READERS. Justinas Žilinskas, writer and lawyer, and Donatas Puslys, columnist and graduate of the I Choose to Teach programme, will talk about book bans, bookburning campaigns and book rescue.

FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION IN BOOKS FOR TEENAGERS. Writer, illustrator Kotryna Zylė and literature translator and Vilnius University lecturer Elžbieta Kmitaitė will talk about (un)censored language in literature for teenagers, the freedom to change texts when translating them and what kills living language in books.

LITERATURE EXPLORING THEMATIC THEMES. Spanish writer Cara Santos is interviewed by Eglė Naujokaitytė, translator of the book Lies (Cloud Pastures, 2020). On freedom of speech on the internet and freedom of decisions and choices.

LITERATURE FOR CRITICAL THINKING. Eglė Baliutavičiūtė, writer and specialist in children's literature, and Asta Skujytė-Razmienė, doctor of humanities and researcher in children's literature, will talk about the different discriminatory attitudes found in classic works of literature for children and young people. Why might this be another reason to learn more about the literary classics?



Films in the 'Children's Land' media library

These are recordings from the events of the Children's Book Island Festival. They are aimed at children aged 2-5 years and pupils in grades 1-4. Recommended for lessons in Lithuanian language and literature,

art. https://www.lrt.lt/mediateka/video/vaiku-knygu-sala-pasakoja-rasytoju-daiktai

Young audiences aged 2-5 are invited to experience the magic of live reading, illustration and music by watching a literary performance based on Vytė Nemunelis' classic work "Little Rudnosiukas Bear" performed by director and actress Sigita Pikturnaitė, illustrator Greta Alice and actor Artūras Dubak.

For children aged 7-10, watch the video series 'Writing Objects Tell a Story' to learn how a water tap can be related to the creation of a book, how man's best friend - a dog - can help write a book or why it is important to visit the zoo before writing a book. The films feature well-known children's writers: Dovilė Zavedskaitė, Gaja Gona Eklė, Vitalija Maksvytė and Marius Marcinkevičius. And book illustrators Lina Itagaki and Patricija Bliuj-Stodulska, together with their young assistants, will invite you to participate in workshops.



Films in the 'Children's Land' media library

Magical journeys of book creators. Aimed at students in grades 1-4, recommended for Lithuanian language and literature classes and world studies.

Beloved children's book authors Greta Alice and Lina Itagaki, illustrators, Jurga Vilė, Rūta Norkūnė and Marius Marcinkevičius talk about their travels, the countries they have seen and the adventures they have had. Each author also shares tips on how to create their own book and gives questions for a quiz about countries around the world!



Festivals of children's literature

Children's Book Island <u>www.vaikuknygusala.lt</u> Vilnius Teachers' House, 19-20 November.

Adventures continue - <u>www.nuotykiaitesiasi.lt</u> Dainuvos Valley, Anyksciai, June 2023.





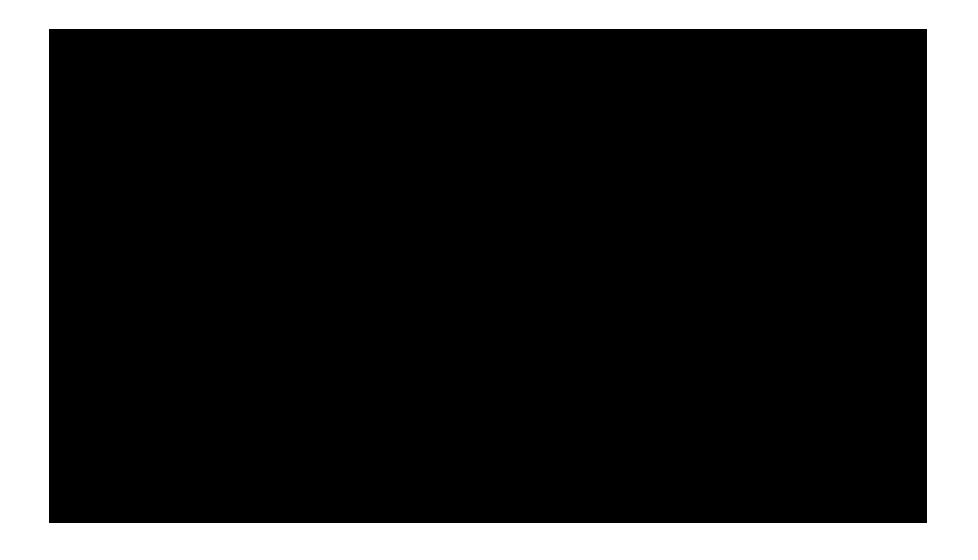






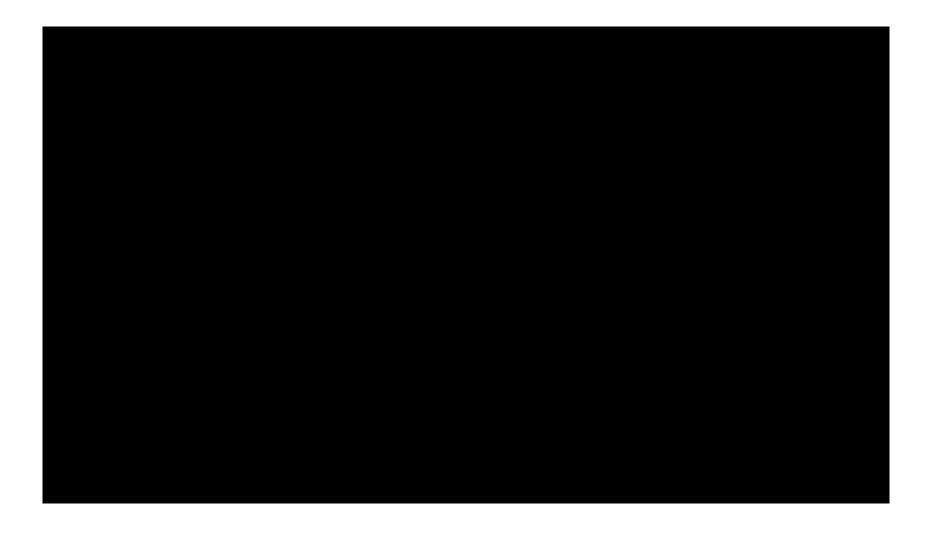


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Efekt



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Lina Marcinonė

Norėjau padėkoti, paskutinę dieną ir paskutinėm valandom sugebėjom atbėgti į šią šventę su 8-uonmete dukra, ir prabuvom iki galo, nes abiems žiauriai patiko. Bet geriausia vyksta dabar, nes tas festivalis užkūrė kažką dukros galvoje, jo metu dukra pati išsirinko ir nusipirko knygą ir dabar, net negaliu patikėt, ji skaito, ne tik neraginama, o savo noru, bet net ir tada kai tik randa laiko, o ne nustatytu laiku, negana to, paskaičius su entuziazmu perpasakoja viską man, ir visa tai su džiugesiu, su pakylėjimu, su vidiniu noru - tai NUOSTABU ačiū, kad jūsų darbo dėka dukros galvoje įvyko tas lūžis nuo reikia/sunku į noriu/jdomu

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I wanted to say thank you, on the last day we managed to get to this event with our 8 year old daughter and we stayed until the end because we both enjoyed it so much.

But the best thing is happening now, because after this festival something germinated in my daughter's head, and she chose it herself and bought the book and now, I can't believe it, she reads on her own whenever she finds the time, not at fixed times, and what's more, after reading it she enthusiastically tells me everything, and

she enthusiastically tells me everything, and all with joy, with elation, with inner emotion - she is GREAT

Thank you, for making this happen in my daughter's head through your work.



Poveikis



Visada labai smagu gauti ne tik gražius atsiliepimus apie "Vaikų žemės" kūrybinius skaitymus, bet ir pamatyti, kaip vaikams sekėsi savarankiškai įgyvendinti mūsų paruoštas užduotis.

Kūrybiniuose skaitymuose "Poezija apie miestus" dalyvavo Jonavos pradinė mokykla ketvirtokai ir štai kokį laišką gavome nuo mokytojos Valdonės Šimonytės:

"Baigėme su vaikais vykdyti projektą "Miestas", kurio svarbiausia grandis ir buvo Jūsų - Vaikų žemės - organizuota kūrybinių skaitymų pamoka apie miestus. Ši Jūsų idėja išaugino mūsų projektą. Žinia apie projektą paskleista Jonavos pradinės mokyklos facebook paskyroje. Visus filmuotus miesto pristatymus kėlėme į savo klasės uždarą grupę. Čia taip pat skaitysime mūsų kūrybą - eilėraščius Jonavai ir apie Jonavą, skirtus miesto įkūrimo 270-sioms metinėms. Ir pabaigai Darijos eilėraštis.

Jonava - gimtasis mano miestas, O mieste taip gera ir ramu. Negaliu šio miesto nemylėti -Aš linksmai čia gyvenu. Visada išliks ji mano širdyje! Aš labai didžiuojuos savo Jonava."

Ačiū kūrybingiems Jonavos ketvirtokams ir jų mokytojai!



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Land of children

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It is always nice to receive not only nice feedback on 'Children's Land', but also to see how the children managed to complete the tasks we prepared on their own.

Fourth graders from Jonava Primary School participated in creative readings "Poetry about cities" and here is the letter we received from teacher Valdone Šimonytė:

"We have completed the project 'City' with the children, the most important link of which was the creative reading lesson you organised about cities - Children's Land. This idea of yours developed into our project. The news of the project was spread on the facebook account of Jonava Primary School.

We posted all the filmed presentations of the city in a closed group in our classroom.

Here we will also read our work - poems to and about Jonava dedicated to the 270th anniversary of the town's foundation.

And finally Daria's poem.

Jonava is my hometown,

And the city is so good and peaceful.

I can't help but love this city -.

I live here happily.

It will always remain in my heart!

I am very proud of my Jonava."

Thanks to the creative Jonava fourth graders and their teachers!

Thank you

