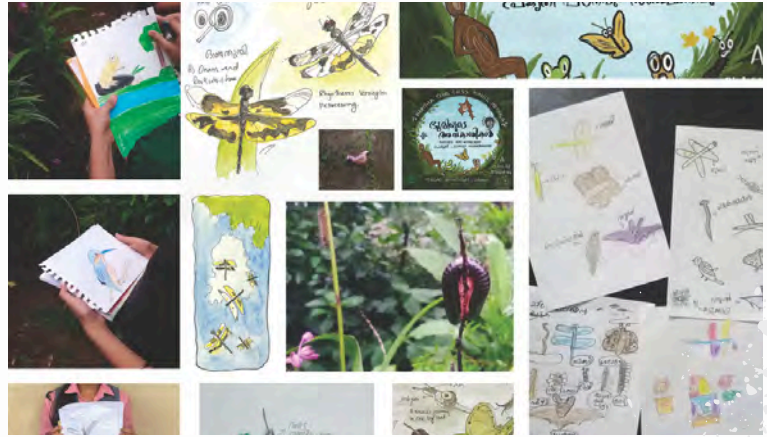


Nature Art

CONVERSATIONS

The 'Nature Art Conversations' activity conducted by me at Government Higher Secondary School (GHSS), Kallil, Ernakulam on 19 August 2024 for 35 6th standard students, was a truly enriching, fun, and valuable learning experience for both the students and myself. Our session kicked off with a fun warm-up activity, where we created Nature ID cards inspired by the portrait



sketching exercise from 'Art for Conservation' workshop (A4C), conducted by Zoo Outreach Organisation. I shared and showed them some interesting stories about species they can spot in their own backyard, aiming to spark their curiosity and excitement about exploring their surroundings.



I created cute, cartoonist illustrations inspired by the storyboard and cartoonist style of examples shown by Stephen Nash and Luci Nash, expert artists at the Art4C workshop. Art greatly helped in explaining the stories and kept the kids engaged.



Finally, we took a walk around the school compound, observing the surroundings within the limited area.

The children then sketched their favourite stories from the session, and although their creations were simple line sketches, their imagination was truly amazing. The session was an incredible experience for me. Hearing the children enthusiastically share the stories I told them about various species with their friends and parents was truly heartwarming, and I believe that's the most rewarding outcome I could have hoped for from this session.

Deeply grateful to the Zoo Outreach Organisation for introducing this activity.

Thankful to Stephan and Luci for sharing their artistic wisdom and inspiring me to use it in this meaningful way.

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