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Oakview's 2007 Artists-in-Residence

Oakview's Artist-in-Residence program is designed to bring culture and the arts to elementary students using a hands-on approach. Students participate in classes with various types of artists while enriching the current curriculum in art and music.

Third Grade Welcomes Yoshiko Moon

Artist-in-Residence, Yoshiko Moon, visited Oakview third graders January 22-26, 2007. Mrs. Moon taught students the art of Japanese calligraphy, origami, sumi painting and Japanese culture.

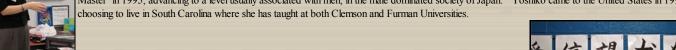
Left: Yoshiko Moon teaches students the art of origami or paper folding.

Right: A student blows over the top of the paint to make a swirling pattern before placing rice paper on top.

From Yoshiko's website:

"After many years of hard work, endless training and perseverance, Yoshiko earned her license of "High

Master" in 1995, advancing to a level usually associated with men, in the male dominated society of Japan." Yoshiko came to the United States in 1997,



- Sumi-e painting: painting with ink. "The ink is a high carbon made from the smoke that collects in the form of soot on the ceiling of the cave when making charcoal. It is then scraped off and made into a block or "ink stick" using a pine tree resin glue mixture."
- 🛱 Calligraphy Art : Using sumi-e ink to paint Japanese letters in calligraphic-style on handmade rice paper.
- 🛱 Kanji : An alphabet from China that represents ideas or words (hence giving more meaning) instead of individual letters or sounds.



Left: Students learn about calligraphy

See our photo album for more pictures

For more information about Japan, go to Kids Web Japan.

Fourth Grade Welcomes Dean Eades

During the weeks of February 5-8 & 12-15, Dean Eades worked with Oakview fourth graders. Mr. Eades lives in Seneca and specializes in folk music and the construction of dulcimers. Our students learned how dulcimers are constructed and how to play a number of songs. Parents had an opportunity to hear the students and Mr. Eades perform.



Left: Students practice playing the dulcimer.

See our photo album with Mr. Eades.



FIFTH GRADE: Our fifth graders worked with Laura Boosinger during the week of February 26-March 2. Ms. Boosinger is an award-winning performer and recording artist of traditional music from the Southern Appalachian region. She was invited to be part of the Celtic Connections Festival in Glasgow, Scotland this January.

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