



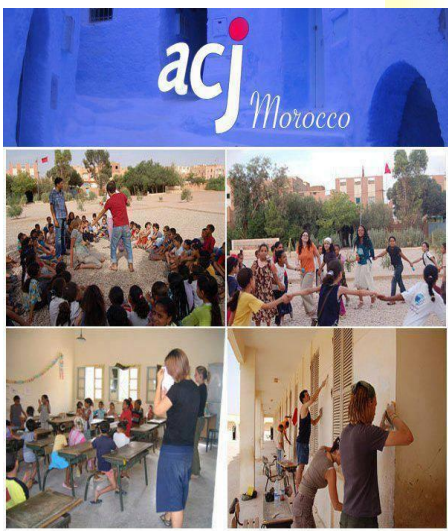
International Workcamps Morocco

Volunteering in Morocco, Voluntary work, Humanitarian projects, International workcamps, Solidarity tourism and Cultural exchange in Morocco.

Promote world peace by contributing to mutual respect and capacity for peaceful coexistence among all countries. We offer youth of all countries the opportunities with international voluntary service projects to understand cultural differences and diversity of each society.

For centuries, Morocco has been known as the place where shadows merge with sunlight and where the sky and the sea meet at the horizon. Overlooking the Mediterranean Sea to the north and the Atlantic Ocean to the west, Morocco is full of vibrant colourful landscapes and natural beauty. In addition to its geographic diversity, Morocco has been described as an ethnic mosaic with the Imazighen (the indigenous Berbers), Arabs, sub-Saharan, nomadic, Jewish, and Andalusian populations and influences. These different groups have interacted with one another and shaped Moroccan culture and heritage, and over time they have created unique Moroccan traditions and identities.

Program in Morocco 2016





TEACHING LANGUAGES



PAINING AND DECORATION



ACTIVITIES WITH CHILDREN

Welcome Package

INTRODUCTION

Since the times of Phoenicians this part of the world known as Al Maghreb or Al Maghrib (literal meanings “the west” and “the land where the sun sets”) has enjoyed rich academic and scholarly culture. In intellectual center like Fez, a visitor will find the oldest existing, and continually operating educational institution in the world, founded in 859 AD (UNESCO World Heritage Convention 1981). However, today according to World Bank 2008 Report - *The Road Not Traveled – Education Reform in Middle East and Africa* Morocco ranks in the 11th place for overall access to education among 14 MENA (Middle East & North Africa) region countries.

This is why ACJ and its partners are committed to address educational, environmental and human development aspects in Moroccan society as a part of Millennium Development Goals. In order to reach these goals ACJ, as a grass roots organization, realizes the importance of location of Morocco on the crossroads of Africa, Europe and the Mediterranean region. As a result of this location many languages mark their presence in Morocco. As a traveler, one can encounter not only Arabic and French, which are the most widely spoken languages in Morocco, but also English, Spanish and Berber.

With these thoughts in mind ACJ, in collaboration with its partners, proudly presents 2001 Intercultural Volunteering Program. The main goal of this program is to create possibilities for incoming international volunteers to share their knowledge of languages with Moroccan students. In return, these projects are intended to introduce Moroccan culture to incoming international volunteers. In addition, the programs are designed to improve environment and living conditions in marginalized communities. Finally, the goal of Summer International Program is, to break prejudices and stereotypes by building bridges between Moroccan and international youth as well as to develop mutual understanding and cooperation for the benefit of all societies.

About Association of youth workcamps "

Association des Chantiers de Jeunesse (ACJ):

ACJ is a Moroccan non-profit and non-Governmental Organization established in 1967. Founded to facilitate intercultural exchange and face-to-face cultural activities, ACJ was formed by socially active Moroccan youth who have worked with a variety of local civic associations.

ACJ's aim is, to provide a rich cultural experience for international volunteers, wishing to discover Morocco first hand. By fostering intercultural dialogue among people from different geographic and socio-economic backgrounds, ACJ hopes to both preserve indigenous traditions, and find ways to shape modernization.

International and local volunteers have the opportunity to cooperate with each other, and to share cultural practices and values of different societies. In addition, ACJ works to foster a public interest in cultural development towards community issues.

ACJ is gradually increasing its network of partners on the national and international levels.

Branches of the organization are based throughout Morocco,

ACJ Voluntary Summer Program in Morocco 2016 –Incoming Exchange Department

Code	Title	Field of Work	Dates	Place	Nr. of volunteers	Deadline
ACJ60	WorkCamp	PAINTING AND DECORATION	July	BenSlimane	8	30/06/2016
ACJ61	Teaching Modern Languages	Education- Youth Exchange	August	Rabat	8	30/06/2016
ACJ 62	International work camps	Art-Kids animation	20/07-08/08/2016	Bouznika	10	10/07/2016
ACJ 63	Languages Camp	Education Languages	24/07-09/08/2016	BenSlimane	15	10/07/2015
ACJ 64	Youth Workcamp	Environment	July	Eljadida	5	Full
ACJ 65	Youth Workcamp	Teaching- Learning Kids animation Eco-Tourism	August	Rabat	8	30/07/2016
ACJ 66	International work camps		July - August	Sale, Oujda	8	10/06/2016

Partner Structure :

Club of the Ministry of Agriculture

Description-Methodology

French Language Workshop

Our French language camp is not a French version of ACJ-Morocco (English language camp) but rather a project that aims at completing its philosophy in as much as it aims at encouraging teenagers to open up to other cultures in a positive way by learning foreign languages. It contains divers activities to learn French and improve its uses for better communication, art workshops, sports activities, talent shows and excursions.

The number of beneficiaries is 72 children (whose ages range from 10 to 15 years) divided into 4 groups of 18 each. And volunteers participating in this project will each choose the activity they want to animate: teaching French, arts workshops, sports, theater, music .

English Language Workshop

English language camp for teenagers is a recreational and educational project at the same time. It includes many learning activities of the English language, arts workshops, sports activities, musical evenings, outings and excursions.

The number of beneficiaries is 20 children (whose ages range from 10 to 15 years) divided into 4 groups of 18 each. And volunteers participating in this project will each choose the activity they want to animate: teaching English language arts workshops, sports, theater, music

Methodology:

As a volunteer language teacher you do not need to be native in the language taught, but you need to have good knowledge of the language.

The Volunteer is asked to :

Prepare his classes “English/French/Spanish/German”, possible with other international Volunteers. Follow up the Program, with a daily communication with his/her Coordinator, about requirements, explanations and inquiries.

ACJ-63 International work camps of activities with Children.

(23d July- 08th August 2016.)

Location: Sale. MOROCCO

Why this project?

There are no captivating activities and facilities for children during the recreation or at the end of a learning episode in the aim of a beneficial and fruitful relaxation. We are very interesting and shedding light on children Outside Fakh BenSalah and its surrounding. Schools have no playgrounds no schoolyards no toys and no theatre. A lot of children are bored, hanging around, doing nothing. For these children ACJ wants to organize activities in the summer to give them a nice holiday. aims to attract especially children from poor families.

Methodology

Children will be grouped according to their age. Each volunteer will lead a group of children. Volunteers are free to design the program and choose activities according to their own wishes and the preferences of the children.

Examples of activities are mostly non formal education activities such as theater, dance, music, games, Teaching foreign languages and sports.

Again, volunteers have to take into account that there are limited materials available. Before your arrival we expect you to have many ideas of activities to do for the kids, so when you are preparing the work with other volunteers you can participate giving ideas and propose activities. Mostly children understand the games/tasks by giving a first example, but there are also translators and facilitators provided.

Transportation and Map

Other international airport departures, are mostly landing in the international Airport of Casablanca, Mohammed 5 Airport.

Taking the train from the airport to "Boikauzn" station

You can also check the Train Time table on : www.oncf.ma

Transport	Cost
Train	2 Euro
Taxi	3 Euro
Bus	2 Euro

Intercultural Schedule and Week-end

2 week ends excursions is organised for the all Volunteers, and outdoor visits and trekking is possible during the afternoons.

We recommend you to discuss with your local coordinator and buddy the first days of your stay in Fkih Bensaleh.

Eating Couscous and Tajine with typical local family will be considered and only for girls, they are invited to Learn/prepare Moroccan gastronomy with local women in the Kitchen, and live the experience of Local people rural life style.

Practical Information

Selection

For this program we use a **chronological system of selection** (by order of receiving applications) The filled applications should be sent to :

acjworkcamps@gmail.com if you have any problem in sending your application you can forward it to the ACJ standart : workcamp_morocco@hotmail.com

And according to the number of applicants, we follow the following procedure:

1) Reading all the accessible informations

It is very important to read all the accessible information on our website and to decide whether the mission of FCC corresponds to your personal beliefs and attitudes. The every day life of Moroccan citizens can differ a lot compared to the every day life in an environment that you know. Before sending the application form it is definitely eligible to consider all these facts.

2) Submitting an online application form

Fill in all the required informations about yourself in [the online application](#) form OR volunteer_form.doc We strongly suggest through completion of the application form. It raises your chance to be selected for the wanted programme.

3) First Round

ACJ receives many demands from international applicants. Unfortunately, the capacity of our organization is limited and we can only offer the volunteering/internship to well motivated candidates that best meet our requirements. First round is dedicated to the consideration of acceptance. It can take up to one week. After this time, an applicant will receive an e-mail.

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Project Coordinator

- Each project has 2 camp leaders who are trained by ACJ. They are also volunteers that prepare the project with ACJ.

They will coordinate the group to achieve the goals of each project.

Accommodation & Food

- Meals and accommodation are provided during the project by the host organization. Volunteers may cook for themselves or be served by the host organization.
- Participants are responsible for keeping the accommodation clean during a project.

Free Time

- Participants are responsible for organizing their own free time with camp leaders in holiday. Host organization will advise volunteer with information of local attractions.

Insurance

- ACJ provides insurance for accidents only during the project

Who can participate?

Everybody with the minimum age 18 and 40 old and who is strongly motivated and creative.

Evaluation of your stay

ACJ believes that the best thing how to keep the programme both helpful and interesting to arriving international volunteers but also to the local Moroccan community is to learn from the experiences of previous participants. The ACJ asks every participant to evaluate their own volunteer experience at ACJ before their departure.

Participation fees:

Fees for participate 50 EUROS for each volunteer

Arabic courses

Meanwhile, for those who are interested in Arabic language, the organization will arrange a teacher to give Moroccan Arabic courses (Darija) for beginners to the volunteers; volunteers will have 2 hours Arabic courses a day excluding the weekends.

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CONTACT INFORMATION

Please do not hesitate to contact us, we are here to answer your questions and inquiries.
Good Luck...ACJ Team 2016



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Some pictures from the Last summer Program in BeniMellal 2015

