



## Adobe Youth Voices Site Application/Contract

Adobe Youth Voices (AYV) is a global philanthropic initiative that empowers youth world wide to comment on their world using multimedia and digital tools to communicate and share their ideas, exhibit their potential, and take action in their communities. Adobe Youth Voices employs an integrated approach in and out of the classroom to show the power of technology in learning and to enable middle and high school aged youth to think creatively, communicate effectively, and work collaboratively – critical 21<sup>st</sup> century skills.

The initiative will *engage* youth in exploring and commenting on their world using video, multimedia, digital art, web, animation, and audio; *enhance* the skills and knowledge of educators to use these tools more effectively with youth; and widely *exhibit* the resulting youth work in community, broadcast, and online forums.

**iEARN is a founding partner of the Adobe Youth Voices initiative.**

Through iEARN, Adobe Youth Voices is expanding internationally in 2009-2010. Participating educators in select countries may be in school programs or outside of school programs, and must serve middle and/or high school age youth (ages 11-18). The program is particularly focused on serving low-income, less privileged, or marginalized youth. Each participating educator must be able to commit to involving young people in collaborative interaction nationally and globally in projects, resulting in expressions of youth creativity through print, photography, web pages and/or digital videos for a minimum of one year.

### Benefits to sites:

- Will be part of a collaborative global community of educators and youth organization staff members in an innovative signature project with high visibility in the field of education and youth empowerment
- Will participate in professional development to implement Adobe Youth Voices
- Will receive program guides and resources related to project work
- Will receive Adobe software tools (Adobe Photoshop and Premiere Elements)
- Will have youth media products highlighted on websites and at national education and technology events

## General Information

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher 2 (if more than 1 at site) \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

School/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Web Address \_\_\_\_\_

Grade level/Age of youth to be served \_\_\_\_\_

Number of youth to be involved \_\_\_\_\_

1. Briefly describe your school or organization.
2. What student project work have you been involved in that are relevant to the goals of Adobe Youth Voices? How will Adobe Youth Voices enhance the student work of these projects?
3. What are some potential topics or areas of research that you think may be meaningful and relevant to your students? And why?
4. Which of these do you have available for use in this project:  
 Digital video camera.  
 Digital photographic camera.

**5. What will be your challenges or potential obstacles to success?**

**6. Adobe Youth Voices intends for the work produced by students be exhibited within their own communities. What opportunities for screening, exhibiting, or sharing their work can you imagine within your community?**

### **Adobe Software**

As part of iEARN's Adobe Youth Voices expansion program, sites will be offered software donations of Adobe Photoshop Elements and Adobe Premiere Elements (<http://www.adobe.com/products/psprelements/>) to be used in their project work. Educators can choose to use one or both of the donated softwares in their student project work. Please note the hardware requirements for these software programs:

#### **Adobe Photoshop Elements**

- \* Intel® Pentium® 4, Pentium M, or Intel Centrino® 1.3GHz (or compatible) processor
- \* Microsoft® Windows® XP with Service Pack 2 or Windows Vista™
- \* 256MB of RAM (512MB recommended)
- \* 1.5GB of available hard-disk space
- \* Color monitor with 16-bit color video card
- \* 1,024x768 monitor resolution at 96dpi or less
- \* Microsoft DirectX 9 compatible display driver
- \* CD-ROM drive

#### **Adobe Premiere Elements**

- \* Intel Pentium 4 or Celeron® 1.7GHz (or compatible) processor; Pentium 4 3GHz processor required for HD or Blu-ray
- \* Microsoft Windows XP with Service Pack 2 or Windows Vista
- \* For Windows XP: 512MB of RAM (1GB required for HD or Blu-ray)
- \* For Windows Vista: 1GB of RAM (2GB required for HD or Blu-ray)
- \* 4.5GB of available hard-disk space
- \* Color monitor with 16-bit color video card
- \* 1,024x768 monitor resolution at 96dpi or less
- \* Microsoft DirectX 9 or 10 compatible sound and display driver
- \* DVD-ROM drive (compatible DVD burner required to burn DVDs; compatible Blu-ray burner required to burn Blu-ray Discs)
- \* DV/i.LINK/FireWire/IEEE 1394 interface to connect a Digital 8 or DV camcorder, or a USB2 interface to connect a DV-via-USB-compatible DV camcorder (other video devices supported via the Media Downloader)

## AGREEMENT

We would like to participate in Adobe Youth Voices and believe our students or youth group meets the stated criteria and will benefit. We understand that participation involves our commitment to fulfill its expectations, including:

- Commitment of the Site IT department to expedite installation of Adobe donated software on the available site computers as soon as it is made available
- Participation in an 8-week Adobe Youth Voices Online Professional Development Course (either Sept/Nov 2009 or Feb/April 2010)
- Participation in and engagement of my students/youth in collaborative online work via the Adobe Youth Voices Collaboration Centre ([www.adobeyouthvoices.org](http://www.adobeyouthvoices.org))
- Sharing experiences with other educators/youth organizations and possibly the media when feasible
- Completion of periodic reports describing your progress, sharing best practices, and evaluating the benefit of AYV to your youth
- Production of a student created work using Adobe donated software to be completed and delivered by June 30, 2010
- Submission of appropriate license agreement to be signed by the youth or guardian stating that ownership of the work stays with the creators of the work, but giving the Adobe Foundation permission to use the work (with appropriate student and Adobe Youth Voices Credits) in connection the Adobe Youth Voices program. For more information, see <https://media.learnonline.org/ayv/documents>

\* Note: The donated software is to be used by the educator(s) designated by each site for the Adobe Youth Voices projects, and will be made available for use on multiple computers per site (exact number will be indicated with each donation). If the designated educator does not complete the project, the software is to remain at the site for use by an alternate educator.

**Teacher Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

(If more than one participating educator at the site, indicate second name below)

**Teacher Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

In order to be successful, each site needs to have the approval and support of the site leadership. Please have your site administrator sign below to signify their support of your participation.

**Administrator (principal, headmaster, etc) Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_