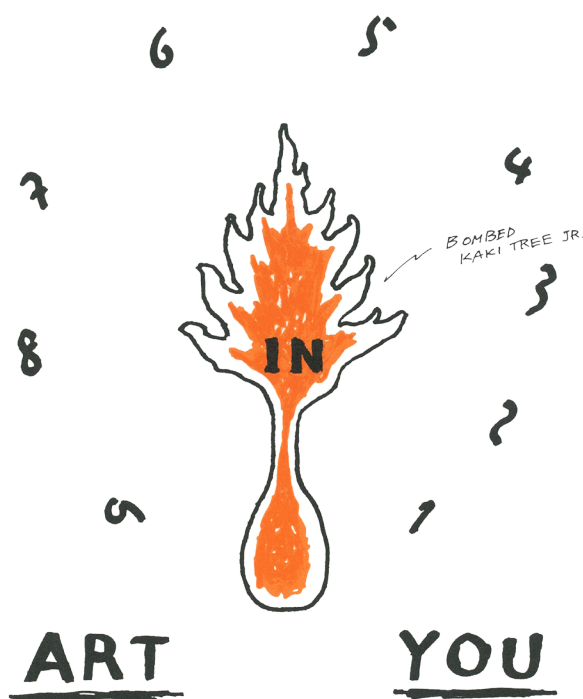


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Ryuhoku Public Elementary School is the first participant of project that planted “Second-generation of Bombed Kaki Tree” in their school on March 5th, 1999.



again someday.

They kept in touch even after “Second-generation of Bombed Kaki Tree” was planted. They formed executive committee of Kaki tree project

Ms. Yuko Hatakeyama, a teacher who saw an article on the newspaper and 16 students of third grade wanted to raise a kaki tree. Their wish was made come true when the tree-planting ceremony, “meet the KAKI”, was held.

They named one kaki tree as “Kaki-Kaki-kun,” and the other as “Yume-Kaki-chan”. Kaki-Kaki-kun means bombed kaki tree and its junior. And they placed their hopes in Yume-Kaki chan. (Yume means dream in Japanese).

At the same time, Miyajima and students held a workshop to think about Kaki tree in 10 years. L.E.D. digits were attached to drawings that Miyajima drew, and each students signed on two of those. They adjusted speed



of clock on their own and promised they would adjust another when they will meet

and continued until they graduated. They said “We would kept raising and watching it.” or “When something bad happens, we will remember the Kaki Tree and get over it.”

On August 19th 2006, the 10th anniversary ceremony, “The Harvest



of Kaki” was held. Miyajima, Dr. Ebinuma, teachers, 13 students and people who involved in the project reunited under the Kaki Trees. Finally, they completed the drawing by adjusting the speed of clock. They celebrated their growing and reunion by putting red L.E.D. lights on kaki trees as well. It was like a Christmas tree in midsummer.

Unfortunately, the school was closed in March 2001. But kaki trees were moved to the park next to school. And all the memories are still with the kaki tree.