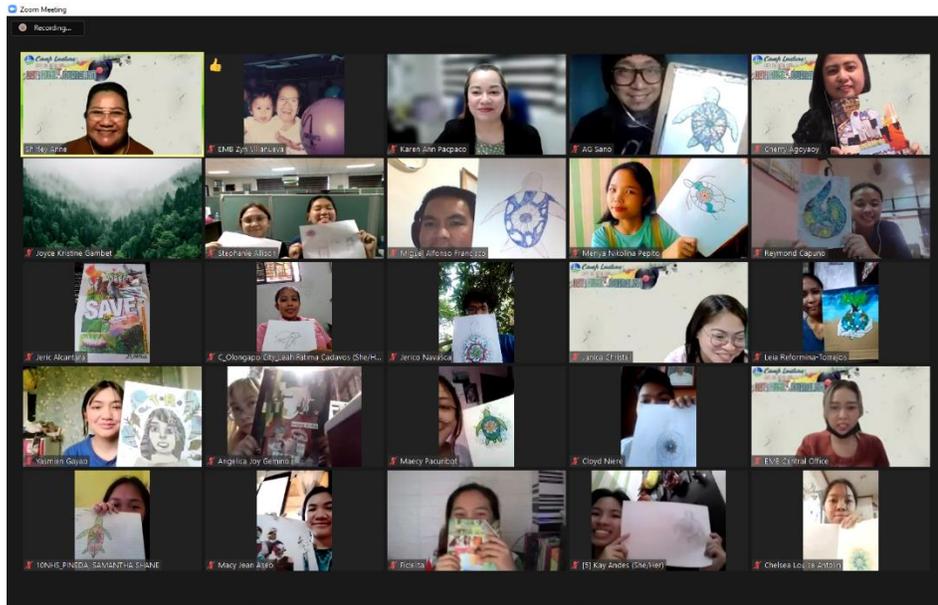


DENR-EMB conducts virtual camp in celebration of Earth Day 2022



In celebration of Earth Day 2022, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources-Environmental Management Bureau (DENR-EMB) held a three-day virtual camp entitled CAMP LUNTIAN: Earth Day Virtual Camp from April 19, 2022 to April 21, 2022.

Pursuant to Proclamation nos. 1481 and 1482 declaring April 22 of every year as the Philippines' Earth day and the month of planet Earth, the EMB-EEID is directed to lead in the conduct to support activities that raise the level of awareness on the gravity of environmental degradation and destruction in the country.

CAMP LUNTIAN is a free virtual workshop that promotes environmentalism through diverse media such as art, music, and journalism. This three-day event includes webinars, games, and interactive workshops where the participants present their output and the resource speakers gave their critique and feedback. This activity is inspired by this year's Earth Day theme, Invest In Our Planet.

During the first day, the participants actively participated with the environmental activist AG Saño where they learn how to draw for starters, and also with Cherry DV Agoyaoy, a visual artist, where they engaged to produce arts and collages made from recycled materials. On the

second day, the campers enjoy the music workshop headed by Ivanee Bongosia and Jeremy Reyes, both singer and songwriter. The participants were divided into groups, and they produce an original composition of music and lyrics about environment through collaborative effort. And on the last day, the participants were able to write their thoughts and give emphasis through the issues concerning the environment which guided by journalists JT Nisay and Gaea Cabico.

Through the three-day activity, it is expected that it will influence our young generation about certain forces and activities that adversely affect our environment and how they can help to build positive behavior towards environmental protection and management.

With over 250 participants, the campers felt inspired by the resource speakers as they use these different medium to create an impact towards the environment and reminding that we should always consider that there's a lot of ways to create a big difference. The campers also admire all the resource speakers' ideals and aspirations, and how they demonstrate their genuine concern for the environment.

The event is celebrated for us to be aware and take a step forward in taking care of our Earth, the only world known so far to harbor life. Let us remember that as stewards of our Earth's air, water and land. A simple act of movement has a big impact in our society, nation and the Earth.

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