

# Willow Reindeer Project

## Classroom Curriculum

Class time: 1 hour, 10 min.

Num. of kids: up to 35 kids

Object: Kids create willow reindeer out of willow sticks.

- 1 Reindeer per class
- 4 classes per school per day(max.)

Note: The children's artwork will be stored at various locations in northern Nevada until November, when it will be put on display along Hwy 395, to be part of an even larger art project involving over 3,200 kids at over 35 schools. Our goal for 2008 is to cover 20 miles of reindeer along Hwy 395.

THE LARGEST ART PROJECT IN THE USA!!!

### **Topics covered:**

This is a hands-on educational program. The teaching method involves auditory, visual, AND kinetic learning methods. The topics included are:

- Safety – students will learn the importance of maintaining control over their workspace, coordinating with others, being aware of their surroundings, and following instructions.
- Teamwork – Students will work as a team to build the reindeer. Although naturally most students will want to take the reindeer home for themselves, building it together allows them to learn the value of teamwork and cooperation.
- Mathematics – Building a reindeer involves specific measurements with tape measure and basic geometry, involving shapes and angles. Students will be introduced to these topics as the workshop progresses.
- Geography – Students will learn about the different willow sticks and from what part of the nation they come from.
- Foreign Language – Students will be introduced to how to say some basic phrases in foreign languages and also some native ones... with the goal of immersing them in the project using all available teaching methods.
- And more! – Every class is different, and each group of students is dynamic and unique. There is no limit to what we can accomplish!