

CfP: Special Issue on “Perceptions, Reflections, and Conceptualizations of War and Peace in Children’s Drawings”, Journal “Social Inclusion”

Issues of war and peace have crucially been re-/positioned within the center of global politics, media publics, humanitarian aid, and individual life worlds by the war on Ukraine. These issues are not new. Afghanistan, Syria, Yemen, the Darfur, and Mali are only some of the signifiers of violent conflicts that have plagued the world for years.

In almost all conflicts and wars, children are among the groups most affected by their pervasive consequences. They are, however, not only passively suffering victims of violence, displacement, hunger, and existential hardship, but remain (sometimes more, sometimes less) conscious actors in a collective process of meaning-making: They perceive, they reflect, they interpret, they conceptualize. An important medium of these discursive negotiations are drawings. Drawings are generated as means of reflections of war and peace in spontaneous play at home, in informal and formal educational settings, via pedagogical instructions, in therapeutic contexts, and—as child-sensitive and participatory method—for research endeavors. The systematic methodological thinking about and the recognized use of drawings in empirical research projects, nonetheless, still represent a desiderate within many disciplines. As an interdisciplinary and inter-university group we now aim to bring together exciting innovative contributions focusing on children’s perceptions, reflections, and conceptualizations of war and peace from a wide range of (inter-/trans-)disciplinary fields, theoretical foundations, method(ological) perspectives, and different regions in this thematic issue.

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