

Bali News - The Green School

John Hardy (of John Hardy Jewelry) and his wife Cynthia have launched a new endeavor which is aimed at providing a holistic and environmental approach to education here in Bali. The Green School, located between Ubud and Denpasar, is taking shape now and set to open in September of this year for grades K-8.

The goal of the Green School is to educate a new generation of students who will be "inspired thinkers and creative problem solvers, knowledgeable about all aspects of life, and capable of leading a changing and challenging world." Their totally unique curriculum includes a holistic approach that aims to inspire and enhance the multiple intelligences that all people possess (emotional, intellectual, spiritual, and kinaesthetic).

Future plans include offering boarding for international and local students as well as opening enrollment for grade 9 in 2009, followed by grade 10 enrollment in 2010, grade 11 in 2011, and grade 12 in 2012. There's also a plan to integrate their holistic approach into an International Baccalaureate Program.

Their desire is to be truly different from any other school in Bali - and in fact - the world. A telling indicator that they're not some copycat, start-up school is their claim that their signature strength is the desire to foster "people connecting in honest, open ways to achieve a dream of what education can be." In other words, they see their strength as something that exists within relationships... and not as some new methodology, or curriculum, or program.

The Green School combines the talent of several and very differently gifted individuals. Its founders, John and Cynthia Hardy, have been residents in Bali for more than 30 years and recognize a unique opportunity to create something truly inspiring and outside of the structural, conceptual, and physical limitations of many traditional schools. Green School's first director, Brad Choyt, is an experienced and talented educator, whose approach to education has provided transformational experiences to students in a variety of inspirational settings around the world. Alan Wagstaff, educational consultant and the author of Green School's curriculum, has been involved in cutting-edge education for more than a quarter of a century. Many other experienced educators are also part of the Green School faculty and you may read about this impressive group on their [website](#).

Green School is looking for sponsors who would like to provide deserving local students with a world-class education to help build a brighter future. The School is also interested in developing an exchange program with schools around the world. Green School offers three-month internships to skilled individuals who believe in the mission and want to be part of a great team of like-minded people.

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