

Dothan Team Celebrated UN Chinese Language Day with Local People

On April 21, 2019, American local time, visiting scholars from Confucius Institute at Troy University Dothan campus held the first UN Chinese Language Day Celebration at the event room of Highland Hills Apartments. The event was a great success.

Ms. Wang Yandong, Ms. Jiang Na and Ms. He Yan have started to decorate the venue since 12:30 p.m. At 2 o'clock, the cultural activities began on time. Ms. Jiang Na took the Chinese characters "sun" (日) and "bamboo" (竹) as examples to explain the concept that "Chinese calligraphy and Chinese painting have the same origin". Everyone listened with great interest. New visitors kept coming and soon the hall was full. Then Ms. Jiang Na showed all guests how to paint bamboo and write the character “竹” step by step with brush and ink. Everyone enjoyed it. Some asked for more paper to continue after finishing a painting, while others initiatively learned to write four Chinese characters “海纳百川” which means all rivers run into sea.

In the second part, Ms. Wang Yandong taught the participants to make bracelets. Both children and adults were in high spirits and asked for help constantly, so three visiting scholars explained for each of them patiently. At the end, everyone was exultant to take away their own bracelets on their wrists. Many female guests also asked for some more string and beads when they left. They said the bracelet was so beautiful that they would make one more for their family members.

The activity supposed to end at 4 o'clock actually lasted until 5:30 p.m. Participants expressed their affection for the event and their gratitude to the organizers. The activity ended successfully.

多森校区举行联合国中文日社区庆祝活动

美国当地时间 2019 年 4 月 21 日，多森教研中心的访问学者们在 Highland Hills Apartment 活动室举办了第一次联合国中文日庆祝活动。活动非常成功。

中午 12 点 30 分，多森教研中心的访问学者王艳东，姜娜和何艳已经开始进行会场布置，早早为 2 点的庆祝活动做好准备。2 点钟，文化活动准时开始。访问学者姜娜以汉字“日”，“竹”为例为大家讲解了汉语“书画同源”的概念，大家听得饶有兴致。不断有新来的客人加入其中，很快大厅爆满。随后，姜娜带领大家一步步的用毛笔和墨汁画竹子并题字“竹”，大家乐在其中，不断有人画完了要求再要一张纸，还有人请姜娜教写“海纳百川”。活动第二部分，访问学者王艳东教大家编手链。不管大人还是孩子都兴致勃勃，不断有人需要帮助。多森校区的访问学者三人齐上阵耐心讲解。最后每人手腕上都带着自己编的手链，雀跃不已。好多女士走的时候还要求我们赠送一些编绳和珠子，表示太好看了，要给家人也编一条。

原定 4 点结束的活动，在大家的热情参与中持续到 5 点半才接近尾声。参与者们向几位访问学者表示他们非常喜欢这样的文化活动，并向组织者表达了感谢。此次活动圆满结束。