

Beyond Skin

addressing racism and sectarianism through multi-cultural arts & media



www.beyondskin.net

Beyond Skin was established in January 2004 to use the arts, music and media as a methodology to assist cultural relations in Northern Ireland, in an aim to address racism and sectarianism.



Beyond Skin over the years have acquired a strong reputation for the development and delivery of creative innovative projects that in turn have produced positive and successful outcomes assisting cultural relations. The majority of Beyond Skin's work is through the organisation's multicultural music collective, 'The Motion Project', Northern Ireland's largest collective of musicians from various cultural backgrounds. The Motion Project use music as a tool for cultural learning, exchange, development education and community relations through workshops, performances, recording programs and interactive music sessions. Beyond Skin also have developed many festivals working in partnership with other organisations.

Beyond Skin's other flagship programs are –

Homely Planet radio, an internet radio network focusing on cultural education/exchange and world music.

Beyond Skin Global, an development education initiative 'Creatively linking Global Development to Race Relations'.

WorldMusicNI, a social enterprise tin to assist and promote & develop the world music sector in Northern Ireland, providing a service to hire musicians and bands representing various cultures for festivals, concerts and promotional events.

Partnerships is a key element for Beyond Skin's delivery strategy and we are always interested in collaborations and ideas that can assist the method of peacebuilding and cultural education.

worldmusicni  **theMotionProject** 

World Music NI is an initiative managed by Beyond Skin to promote and develop the world music sector in Northern Ireland. We have a database of musicians/bands that are available for events & performances. www.worldmusicni.com

Part of World Music NI is a core team of musicians from many different cultural backgrounds experienced and trained in delivering specific programs. They are known as The Motion Project.

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Youth in Motion – Professional world musicians working with young people to produce new music. www.yim-ni.org



1 Giant Leap N.I.

Workshops & activities surrounding a global multimedia project exploring unity in the diversity.

Ghanaian drum & percussion performance group

Akrowa

Ghanaian drum & percussion performance group



Homely Planet Inter(net) Cultural Radio is a broadcast service to assist cultural relations and education in Northern Ireland and to promote global exchange.

Homely Planet's vision is to show how we as a race of people representing different cultures & traditions contribute in a more positive way when we respect & have a better understanding of each others' diversity. With addition to cultural education Homely Planet is also supporting the world & roots music sector by developing projects and networks locally and international using the internet as a catalyst for world music access. Homely Planet invites people to produce and broadcast their own radio programmes and also offers communities to connect with other people globally. www.homelyplanet.org


HOMELY PLANET
internet cultural radio
Northern Ireland



Creatively linking Global Development to Race Relations. A central website with information on global projects and partners within development education and global peace building www.beyondskinglobal.org



The Next Village
Global education radio series & audio resource exploring themes related to the (MDG's) Millennium Development Goals
www.thenextvillage.org

Harmoniccity Northwest Drum & Percussion Group

**World Interactive Music Experiences – Polish Art Workshops – International Radio Productions
Nepalese Village Experience – Food Market – International Fashion Box – World Dance
Indian & African Arts – Live World Music Performances – International Media Exchange Projects**

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Beyond Skin aims & vision

Beyond Skin is an organisation based in Northern Ireland using music, art, multimedia and radio as a tool for cultural education & exchange in an aim to address racism and sectarianism

Established in January 2004 Beyond Skin has been very innovative in creative peace-building methodologies with 80% of projects working directly with young people.

Key aims:

- To address racism and sectarianism in Northern Ireland through multicultural arts
- To promote positive attributes reflected from a society made up of different cultures
- To promote multicultural arts for the benefit of the inhabitants of Northern Ireland
- To promote racial harmony and the exchange of cultural ideas and relations through the medium of the arts
- To contribute to maintaining a peaceful society in Northern Ireland
- To increase social awareness of different cultures within Northern Ireland
- To increase links between communities from different cultural backgrounds
- To present, promote, organise, manage and produce performances and exhibitions of works of cultural and educational value

Beyond Skin develop, manage and facilitate many activities and projects throughout Ireland; some short term and some long term.

Some of the biggest resources Beyond Skin has developed are...

- The Motion Project: Northern Ireland's largest multicultural music collective using music as a tool for cultural learning and exchange.
- Homely Planet Radio: Internet Radio Network focusing on cultural education, exchange and world music.
- Beyond Skin Global: A global education initiative, delivering projects and partnership programmes exploring global development issues and how they relate to local race relations.
- World Music NI: World Music NI is a social initiative aiming to use music to explore diversity and promote the world music sector through the development of projects, festivals & networks. WMNI is also a resource of musicians and bands within the world/roots/traditional music sector.
- The Next Village: Global education radio series and audio recourse.

Beyond Skin uses multi-cultural arts, music and media to address racism, sectarianism and global issues, aiming to dismantle prevailing stereotypes and prejudices by highlighting the positive benefits to be gained through cultural exchanges. The organisation also promotes multicultural arts for the benefit of all, regardless of ethnicity.

Although we operate with the usual tight governance procedures of most charities, Beyond Skin are very unique. More of global family than an organisation, a social force rather than a brand and most of all a dynamic team of individuals that form part of a wider global movement to promote peace and equality for all.

For more information visit some of our main websites

www.beyondskin.net (central website)

www.beyondskinglobal (Beyond Skin Global BSG)

www.homelyplanet.org (Homely Planet Radio)

www.thenextvillage.org (global education audio resource)

www.oneworldfestival.net (One World Festival)

www.beyondpeaceday.com (Peace Day Festival)

www.belfasteast.net (East Belfast Programme)

www.facebook.com/beyondskin

www.twitter.com/homelyplanet

www.youtube.com/user/beyondskin

