The ceremony of awarding the winners of the Republican art contest on the theme "Let`s unite for peace" dedicated to UNESCO's 70th anniversary and International Day of Peace - September 21 was held.

The event, held at Fine Art Gallery of the Republican Methodology Center for Aesthetic Education, was attended by the employees of the Ministry of Education and the representatives of Baku city Education Department, boarding schools and creativity centers.

The contest was jointly organized by the Ministry of Education and UNESCO Center on Human Rights and Problems of Peace of the Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

The purpose of the contest is to draw children and young people`s attention to September 21 - International Day of Peace, celebrated annually by United Nations and UNESCO, to instill the importance of peace culture, mutual understanding among nations, friendly international relations, to raise their artistic and aesthetic levels, to identify children with special talents and to support the development of their abilities.

The contest was held in three age groups, among 6-9, 10-14 and 15-18-year-old children and young people, and 9 winning works were selected in each age group. The contest, held in 2 stages (Regional (city) and Republican stages), was attended by pupils of general educational institutions and boarding schools, and Circle members of extracurricular educational institutions. 27 out of 674 paintings, submitted to the Republican stage of the contest, were chosen as the contest winners by the jury. 91 authors were awarded a special Honors Certificate.

The winners were awarded diplomas and valuable prizes.

The catalogue of photos of the best works, selected in the competition, will be prepared.