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“Museum week for school children” was held on May 18 on the occasion of International Museum Day. The event was organized by the Republican Ecological Education and Training Center in partnership with the Republican Center of Young Tourists and Local Lore of the Ministry of Education.

Implemented from May 12 to May 18 by the Ministry of Culture and Tourism in collaboration with the National Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan for UNESCO, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences and Icherisheher State Historical and Architectural Reserve under the Cabinet of Ministers, the project was dedicated to the Year of Multiculturalism. The opening ceremony of the “Museum week” took place at Azerbaijan Carpet Museum on May 13.

The program aimed to familiarize school children with collections of museums, exhibits reflecting different periods, and instill in them through interactive excursions respect for national and moral values as well as for representatives of different ethnicities, religions and cultures.

Last year the project saw 7,000 pupils visit 15 museums in Baku. In view of high activity and interest of school children in museums this year excursions were organized for around 50,000 pupils to 25 museums in Baku and districts.

May 18 is annually marked as International Museum Day. In 2016, the International Council of Museums marked this day under the slogan “Museums and cultural landscapes”.