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Carpet-weaving lessons

Since June 2019, a carpet weaving program has been operating at the Nakashian Children's Support Center under the sponsorship of SOAR, providing children with a unique opportunity to develop both vocational skills and emotional well-being through the rich tradition of Armenian carpet-weaving.

The classes are conducted by a professional carpet-weaving specialist, who visits the center either twice a week for two-hour sessions or once a week for an extended four-hour workshop during periods of increased activity and engagement among the children. Throughout the duration of the program, approximately 11–12 children have consistently participated in the workshops.

Over the years, the children have achieved remarkable results. In addition to creating their very first woven pieces and small carpets, the girls participating in the program have successfully completed three large carpets and, on average, two medium-sized carpets annually. These creations stand not only as artistic accomplishments, but also as symbols of patience, dedication, and personal growth. Beyond teaching a valuable vocational skill, carpet weaving serves as a deeply therapeutic and culturally enriching activity. The process allows the children to develop concentration, emotional resilience, inner calm, and self-confidence. The rhythmic and creative nature of weaving has proven to be especially beneficial for psychological stability and relaxation, offering the children a peaceful and meaningful form of self-expression.

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During the lessons, the instructor also introduces the children to the symbolism and meanings behind traditional carpet patterns, as well as the historical and cultural significance of carpets in Armenian heritage. Through this experience, the participants not only learn an ancient craft, but also build a deeper connection with Armenian culture, traditions, and identity.



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