WHV – Nyero Rock Art Site

Nyero and other hunter-gatherer geometric rock art sites in eastern Uganda, Uganda

Site on a Tentative List since 1997

01/08/2022 – 10/08/2022

The Nyero Rock paintings site consists of three tiered rockshelters with primitive paintings on their inner surfaces. Archaeologically, the site is of a Later Iron Age period. The makers of the paintings cannot be traced but the ingenuity in which they were painted demonstrates a high degree of appreciation of their aesthetic values.

**Project objectives:**

Building on the experience of the previous campaign, the project aims to consolidate the partnership and actively mobilize young people, the local community and different stakeholders in the preservation and promotion of the site; and to equip volunteers with digital literacy knowledge and skills for sustainable heritage conservation.

**Project activities:**

The volunteers will partake in various hands-on activities, including tree planting and clean-up, to improve the environmental conditions of the site. After participating in an Information and Communication Technology (ICT) training, volunteers will gain increased knowledge and skills to promote and preserve heritage through digital formats, and put it to practice by organizing different awareness-raising actions targeting young people and the local community, such as local radio talk shows, storytelling on heritage and cultural conservation, dance competitions etc.

**Partners:**

National Forestry Authority, Uganda Red Cross Society, Plascon Paints, Kumi local government, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities, Coca-cola and PepsiCo

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