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Educational Program 2023



Students enrolled at SENATI Technical School and University. From left to right: Jairol, Miguel, Vidal, Abdon, Mr. Alejandro, Scian, Ronald, Florina, and Maria Fernanda.

Thanks to you Casa Chapi is going full steam ahead. We are happy to announce that we have a total of 121 students currently studying between primary school, high school, and university/technical school.

We are very proud of the little ones at Casa Capi in the Colca Valley. They had a rough time during Covid, many of them losing close relatives and suffering through food shortages with little or no help from the Peruvian Government. People like you kept the food boxes coming to our Casa Chapi families.

Beginning in March things changed the classes are full the

teachers are back to work and our reading program is going full force. The kids are gaining weight and everyone is being tested and treated for Anemia.

We owe a big debt of gratitude for all the hard work by Alejandro our Peru Director. He kept it all together.

The fact that we will once again be graduating Casa Chapi alumni for college is a reason for hope and future for some of the poorest kids in Peru. They will go from alpaca shepherds to college graduates in one generation.

The kids send their love to each of you.



Education with a Destination Peru Tour 2023

The Peru Tour is October 19th through November 1st. Don't forget to RSVP at quechuabenefit.org/peru-tour as spaces are limited. Please send emails to info@quechuabenefit.org regarding questions and to stay up-to-date on information regarding the Peru Tour. Expertly lead by your tour guides Amanda VandenBosch, Mike Safley and Dale Cantwell.



\$4,900

- Oct. 19 Arrive Lima, Overnight Lima.
- Oct. 20 Fly to Arequipa, Overnight Arequipa.
Welcome, Meet and Greet, city self tour
- Oct. 21 Arequipa Activities, Overnight Arequipa.
Fiber mill tour, visit with Casa Chapi Yanahuara teens home
- Oct. 22 Travel to Chivay (3.5 hrs), Overnight Chivay.
Visit Quechua Benefit's Casa Chapi Children's Village
- Oct. 23 Visit Condor Cross, travel to Putina, (6.5 hrs) Overnight Putina.
- Oct. 24 Picotani Vicuña Chaccu, Overnight Putina.
- Oct. 25 Travel to Nunoa (3.0 hrs), Overnight Nunoa.
Visit with some of the best Suri Breeders in the World
- Oct. 26 Travel to Maccusani (2.0 hrs)
Visit Cana, and Rural Alianza and some of the worlds best huacayas
Travel back to Nunoa (2.0 hrs), Overnight Nunoa.
- Oct. 27 Travel to Cusco (5.0 hrs), Overnight Cusco.
- Oct. 28 (Option to fly home from Cusco)
Cusco City Tour, Visit with Cuzco Artisans, Overnight Cusco.
- Oct. 29 (Option to stay one day in Cusco and fly home on the 29th)

Machu Picchu Option +\$1000

- Oct. 29 (Option to stay one day in Cusco and fly home on the 29th)
Travel to Sacred Valley (1.5 hrs), Spinning & Dyeing in Calca, or Visit Archaeological Site, Overnight Ollayantambo.
- Oct. 30 Morning in Ollayantambo, take noon train to Machu Picchu, Overnight Machu Picchu.
- Oct. 31 Morning visit Machu Picchu, Afternoon hike of Huayna Picchu, Return train/bus to Cusco, Overnight Cusco.
- Nov. 1 Fly from Cusco to Lima then on to your home.

Join Quechua Benefit
this August in Bend, OR!

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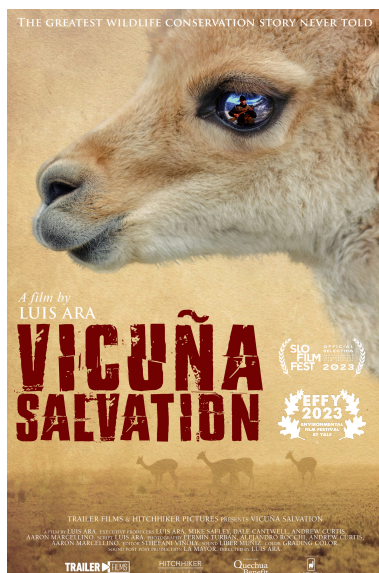
August 24 - 27, 2023

The country's premier alpaca education
workshop and networking event.

Hosted by **Flying Dutchman Alpacas** and
Crescent Moon Ranch Alpacas.

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Vicuña Salvation Screens in South America in 12 Countries



Quechua Benefit is proud of the South
American release of Vicuña Salvation
streaming into 22 million homes on National
Geographic Latin America.

Welcome, Sue Herinckx!

New Office Manager & Bookkeeper



Sue was born and raised in the Portland
area. She has lived in Cornelius for the
last 33 years with her husband, Jeff, and
two boys, Eric and Aaron. Sue is coming
to the world of nonprofits after 25 years
of bookkeeping experience in medical
clinics and property management. She
enjoys spending time with friends and
family, and nothing makes her happier
than her animals.



Meet Robert Els!

New Content Creator



Originally from South Africa, Robert has
called Peru home for approximately 15
years where he specializes in wildlife
photography.

After working for a number of NGOs in
Peru, Robert recognized the incredible
work that Quechua Benefit does in the
highland communities and now dedicates
most of his time telling people's stories
through photos and documentaries.

Besides photography, Robert loves the
outdoors and is an avid traveler.

*"It's extremely inspiring seeing the difference my work makes in the lives of
those less fortunate, and giving them an international voice."*

Support Quechua Benefit at these Upcoming Events

- **Family Night on the Farm** in Hillsboro, Oregon — Aug 19th, 2023
- **Education with a Destination** in Bend, Oregon — August 24th to 27th, 2023
- **Education with a Destination Peru Tour 2023** — October 2023

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Vicuña Salvation Film Festivals

Quechua Benefit's full length documentary has been premiered internationally in Europe, South America, and the United States in more than 13 venues. The film is being streamed by National Geographic Channel, for the next 3 years, in 12 countries in South America. The response has been terrific. The film was in part financed by the Michell Company in Peru, The British Alpaca Association (BAS), and the International Alpaca Association (IAA). The initial water conservation project Quechua Benefit built, in partnership with Picotani, is featured in Vicuña Salvation. But most of all it was you that made the documentary possible.

Quechua Benefit also got a tremendous response to the movie from La Molina University in Lima and one of the oldest agriculture universities in Europe, the Agriculture University, Animal Sciences, in Vienna Austria, (BOKU).

It was the water conservation project that Dale Cantwell designed for Picotani and their vicuña,



Mike Safley the writer and producer of *Vicuña Salvation* at the Yale Environmental Film Festival EFFY. The theater in Yale's Humanities Building was packed with students, teachers, and alumni for the *Vicuña Salvation* screening.

led to the Universities' interest in creating a research project to establish the scientific basis for an evaluation of the sustainability of Alpacas, their fiber, and carbon footprint. The project will be a joint venture with the Universities, Picotani, and Quechua Benefit. You will be hearing more about this soon. The people of Picotani send their love and thanks for your generosity.



Luis Ara, director of *Vicuña Salvation* at the San Luis Obispo Film Festival (SLO). Quechua Benefit's feature length documentary was selected for screening at SLO to a full house, and a standing ovation.



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100% of your donations go directly to education, medical, and economic programs in Peru.

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