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Rotary Encourages Local Art Student

West Vancouver - Richard (Ryszard) Krukowski of Bowen Island is a student at the Emily Carr School of Arts in Vancouver. Thanks to the Rotary Club of West Vancouver Sunrise he was given the singular opportunity to attend "Enjoy The Arts 2007 Rotary Camp" in Kassel, Germany from August 25th - September 8th. He was the only Canadian among 20 international students from all over the world.

This is the first camp of its kind and it coincided with "Documenta 12". This famous exhibit only takes place every five years. The camp was very well equipped with tools, studio, and every imaginable medium one would like to try. Richard had the unique experience of finding out what it would take to be a Michael Angelo. His enthusiasm wells as he speaks of working first hand with stone. The possibility to have everything in one place, to discover for himself the strength that is needed to hammer and chisel away six hours a day for eight days inspired him in so many ways. "This is a unique opportunity rarely found - to be able to have guidance from a master, every imaginable tool needed at my fingertips and a venue to try something I love. I am so very grateful."

He and his friends stayed in a lodge type accommodation where they cooked for themselves. The Rotarians made sure they had a wonderful time providing them with culture, entertainment, and hospitality. Richard called this a "Life Changing Event." As he says, "It has pushed me to new goals and aspirations." He has made life lasting friends and has opened up his world to do more traveling.

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For more information about our Rotary meetings, please call 604-787-0452 or visit our website [www.rotarywestvancouver.sunrise.org](http://www.rotarywestvancouver.sunrise.org). Guests are always welcome.

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