



QOQAQ NANIVARA



THE REPORT
OF THE
NANIVARA
PROJECT

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but we are still going to get through it
and survive like our ancestors did.”

Jennifer Ullulaq
Gjoa Haven



The Nanivara (*I found it*) Project – 2016

This paper blanket was created from the participants of the Nanivara Project over great summer 2016. The youth painted what their dreams are for their future great grandchildren in Gjoa Haven and then taped their pieces together to make this quilt. The youth wanted to share this message with other youth.

To always use your inner creativity and follow your dreams.

Stay in school and finish your diploma.

Keep our culture alive and visit with elders.

Go out on the land as much as possible and eat country foods.

Inuit Youth are Resilient.

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The artists of this mural are:

Eliisa Kuilliq, Kyras Kualliq, Kaydi Okpik, Peter Jayko, Marnie Ekelik, Martha Okpik, Jennifer Ulluaq, Damian Ikkutisuk, Karen Aluk, Barb Okpik, Lonna Ikkutisuk and Jerry Okpik.

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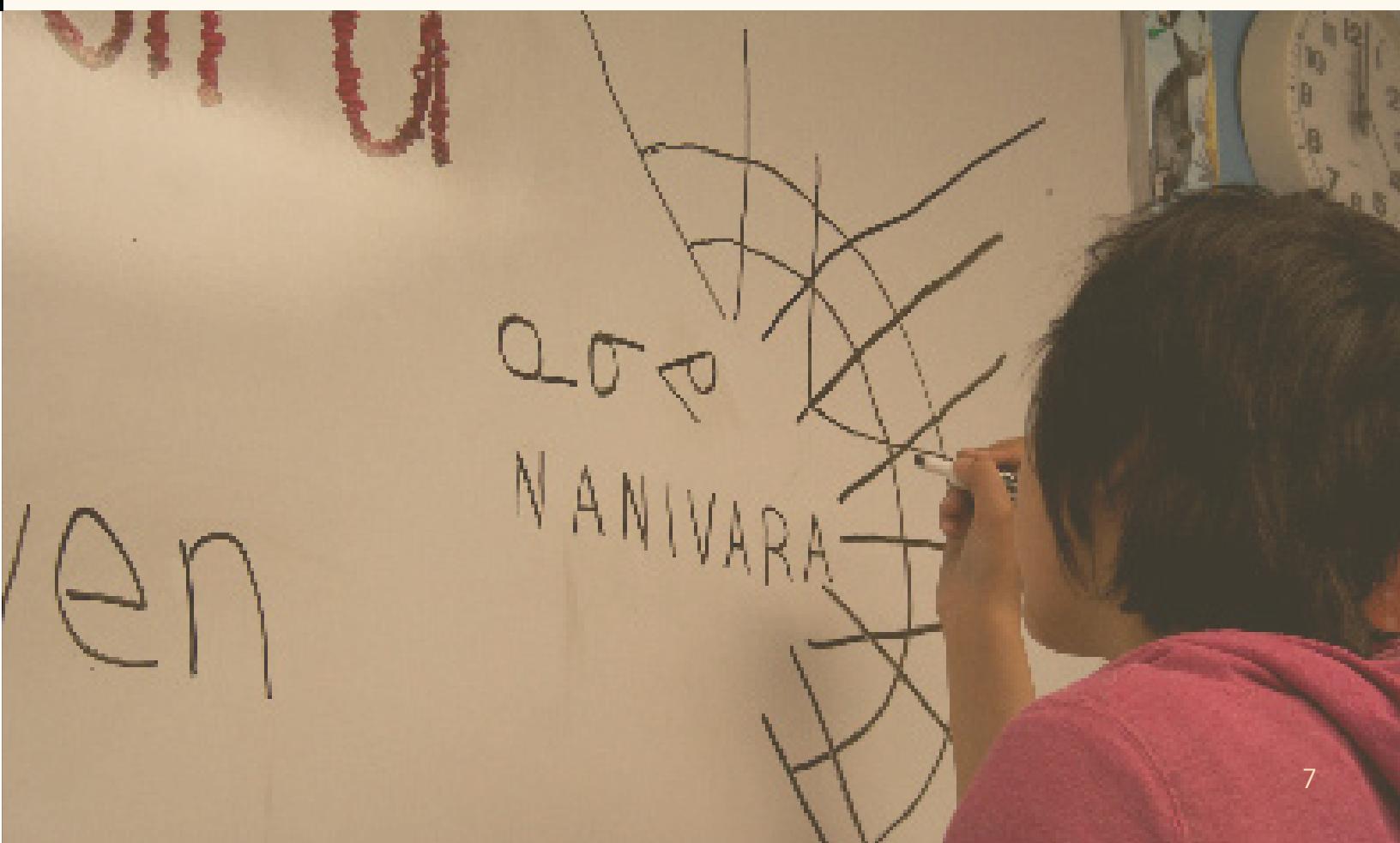
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NORWAY

"Everyday throughout the trip we really noticed that many of the youth really came out of their shells and felt comfortable to be themselves and have fun. The group had silly moments but also profound moments of thought on their identity as Inuit."

Tessa Terbasket

Facilitator



"My experience in Norway was unforgettable. I had a lot of fun and learned quite a few things. My favourite memory was when we went to go visit some of the students in the Sami High School... Meeting with the youth from Norway was pretty interesting cause I found out that they weren't that different from us, they were also struggling with keeping their culture alive."

Renee Angotialuk
Youth Researcher





VANCOUVER





“My favourite memory of Vancouver was going to Musqueam...sharing the games and learning new games from them”
Peter Jayko, Gjoa Haven





"I want kids more to be [interested] in our traditions, history, and culture...cause I want to keep my culture and traditions alive."

Jason Uttak

"I'd like to learn out on the land where it's quiet. Not much interactions with other people and technology. And I'd like to learn by storytelling...I think we could learn a lot more by being on the land where we pay attention to more things."

Benoit Sateana



"Interviewing elders was the most [helpful part of this project] because we got to hear their stories and what happened before"

"I still don't know what I really want to change. I just want the government to show more about our past in education. I want the future generations to know that we were our own people, that we have our own culture too, and that we lived way different than how we are living now."