

"World Heritage Volunteers - "Patrimonito Voluntary Action 2011"



WHV – Lake Malawi National Park, MALAWI
1 – 10 August 2011

Lake Malawi National Park, Malawi **Natural site inscribed in 1984**

Located at the southern end of the great expanse of Lake Malawi, with its deep, clear waters and mountain backdrop, the national park is home to many hundreds of fish species, nearly all endemic. Its importance for the study of evolution is comparable to that of the finches of the Galapagos Islands.



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Project objectives: The project aims at facilitating community dialogue on World Heritage issues and involving youth in site rehabilitation. It aims to work toward a better access to WH sites for national and international visitors.

Project activities: Volunteers will organize several meetings to develop local community awareness of the World Heritage site. Media will be used to reach at a larger target of Malawians. The project will contribute to the Environmental Education Centre and the Aquaculture building of the Lake Malawi National Park through painting works, fitting and decorating. One of the most important activities this year is the construction of the first public toilet in Thumbi Island, one of the most visited of the 13 uninhabited islands.

Partners: The project will be implemental in collaboration with the Department of Wildlife and Culture, Ministry of Tourism (who offered to provide transport), UNESCO National Commission of Malawi, National Youth Council of Malawi, Ministry of Youth Development and Sports, and Lake Malawi National Park management

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