

This edition: Our 10th Anniversary and introducing our new Development Director

Aziza's Place : our 10th Anniversary!

Exactly 10 years ago today, Aziza's Place was founded by Anjad Ghori and Hester Elvriene. This milestone in AP's history and success called for a big celebration together with all our kids, their family, our staff, colleagues from other NGOs, some old friends... And a big blue cake!



(click on picture to see the Facebook video)

A wonderful day...

Last Sunday we transformed our terrain into a festive site. All day long the stage was the center of attention as our kids performed the traditional Khmer dance, demonstrated their karate and skateboarding skills and even performed songs. Proud families and staff enjoyed every second of it.

Our Finance Director Bogha gave a word on our history, a clearly emotional Anjad shared everybody who has been part of AP's journey and friends from a partnering NGO gave a live performance while everybody enjoyed a lovely meal.

The evening was closed off with our kids throwing around with cake and the greenery dancing. A fun and to be remembered day.



more than 170 people attended.



A milestone for Aziza's Place...

10 years have passed quickly, but with these kids around we can see every day how much our work has meant to them and their families. Some kids were with us from the start and are now going to University or have a meaningful job. Little kids, today sleeping the adulthood. It was perhaps the most remarkable experience we had on the wonderful day seeing how our hard work and dedication has helped so many and has made it possible for them to reach their dreams and grow towards full independence in life with the necessary skills to be successful. Today, even our oldest will come back to us and help out where they can. AP has become a true second family for most.



From the bottom of our heart, we wish to thank all our donors, sponsors and supporters that helped us grow and sustain our operations over the past years. Without you we wouldn't have made it this far and we wouldn't be able to keep up our important work in the future. Thank you! A special thank you goes out from our team to our founder Anjad, who was with us all the way and clearly enjoyed this emotional day, in loving memory of his daughter Aziza.



And last but not least, thank you to our kids and families for all the good memories and successes we've shared so far and for being part of the AP family.

We shared a nice selection of photos [click here](#). We will also share pictures and videos via our [facebook page](#) in the upcoming days. Make sure to like and enjoy!

Our new Director of Development

In February 2017 Aziza's Place welcomed Brent as its new Director of Development & Communications, taking over Anmel's responsibilities. A big change for AP but we are very excited about his arrival.

Over the past few weeks, Brent has been getting to know the good friends in Cambodia as part of his 10th anniversary party. He will continue the full support to AP's growth, manage all running & future grants, coordinate donation efforts, be our spokesperson and take care of our communication. He will also continue the whole for the development of our social business Aziza's Coffee.



So who is our new staff member? Brent fell in love with Cambodia when he visited our country in 2014 while traveling through Asia. He wanted to come back and since he has been for the country and its people combined with his social movement oriented him to have everything behind in Belgium and join Aziza's Place. For Brent, children's welfare and preserving our environment are the two things that matter most in life. Psychologist by education, he has worked the past 8 years as an HR Advisor in public and private sector and was a frequent on social media topics. We are convinced these skills will help AP improve even more. Mission at heart, we also look forward to him joining our kids in their musical explorations.

We thank Anmel for all the work she has done for Aziza in the past years. We miss her already but wish her all the best in her new challenges. She remains in Phnom Penh, so we will stay in touch!

We wish Brent success at Aziza's Place. Anyone wanting to reach out to him with ideas, donations, questions... or just want to wish him welcome, feel free to contact him at brent@azizasplace.org



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