



First Music School on Easter Island

'Works when you do' success story

The project started with a vision from one of South America's top pianists and cultural ambassador of Easter Island, Mahani Teave. After creating the first and only music school for children on Easter Island, Mahani, also a native of Easter Island, founded the non-profit organisation, Toki Rapa Nui together with other music lovers from the island. This organisation supports native Easter Islanders to pursue their musical interests without having to leave the island and enables Ms Teave to teach music at the island's local museum. However, interest in learning music has become so popular, it's been decided to build the first music school on Easter island. Our partner GEOCAS did its part to help make this project become reality.

Successful surveying tasks

In 2012, Toki Rapa Nui asked for help from our partner GEOCAS, who organised lending their equipment. A GeoMax Zenith10 GNSS receiver and accessories were supplied by GEOCAS to help with the project and also offered the help of one of

its team, Loreto Arriagada, to volunteer her efforts.

The work consisted of surveying six hectares in the Tahai area. This on-site task lasted four days and resulted in excellent deliverables of a final topographical map needed for the final architectural design created by Michael Reynolds.

According to Loreto Arriagada in the GEOCAS video of the Easter Island project, *"The GeoMax equipment provided by GEOCAS to the NGO for the surveying tasks allowed us to do a really fast and efficient work."*

GEOCAS worked together with Toki Rapa Nui during the six months and it played its part in helping to make this dream come true. The Toki Rapa Nui Music School will be completed by the end of this year.

BBC "Easter Island's first music school" <http://www.bbc.com/news/world-latin-america-26997688>

GEOCAS and Loreto Arriagada video https://youtu.be/gpyhfnh_nqQ

Institution



Nonprofit organisation devoted to trying to preserve the values and culture of children on Easter Island.
www.tokirapanui.org

Partner company



Company with over 13 years of proven experience in technical service, calibration and commercialisation of geodetic instruments.
www.geocas.com

Challenge

To help the children of Easter Island to develop their musical talents without having to leave the island.

Objective

To build the first (sustainable) Music and the Arts School on Easter Island

Key tasks

Surveying tasks in the zone where the school is planned to be built

Location

Easter Island

GeoMax product

Zenith10 GNSS receiver
http://www.geomax-positioning.com/Zenith10--Zenith20-Series_1188.htm