

Savyon Tzorf

Short Biography

Savyon Tzorf is a 17-year-old Jewish girl. She lives near Binyamina, and goes to a kibbutz school, where she is about to finish 12th grade. Savyon is an only child, and speaks three languages: Hebrew, English and German. Lately she has also begun to learn Arabic in an external course in school. She believes communication is one of the most important and essential principles there is for better understanding and empathy. Therefore, she believes that knowing both Arabic and Hebrew in Israel should be standard. Savyon loves traveling and exploring. She loves spending time with friends and meeting new people. Savyon believes it is her obligation to speak about things that matter and discuss more complex issues in a way that is pleasant and respectful. All of that had an impact on her decision to participate in Heart to Heart 2015. That summer, Savyon found a better understanding of her beliefs and principles. For the first time, she actually noticed and felt the similarities between Arabs and Jews as people, how they share many hobbies, goals and interests. She found similarities also in their language and culture. After returning from Canada, Savyon continued to stay in touch with her friends - both Arabs and Jews. The physical distance between Arab villages and Jewish areas is really not significant, and so they kept meeting each other in parks, shopping centres and on the street. It was always fun to greet each other with a big hug and a smile, knowing that they can trust and accept one another sincerely.

