

# NATIONAL CREATIVE ARTS YOUTH FESTIVAL

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Dear Ms Maree

2006 NATIONAL CREATIVE ARTS YOUTH FESTIVAL - DANCE SHOWCASE "(MBUMBA 2006"

Congratulations on your contribution to the 2006 Festival Programme on Wednesday, 24 May 2006 when the Showcase of Dance, **IMBUMBA 2006**, without any fanfares, said it all. Not all the super-imposed therapies down the Ages have freed mankind from his initial handicaps only the individual's acceptance of the challenge to channel his energy into the freeing process of exploring his own possibilities in terms of skilled control of himself physically, intellectually and emotionally in order to communicate with his fellow men which is the only way he can attain to any freedom of being in this world.

This is the fundamental challenge of a holistic education, and how right that the contribution from DanceLink should triumphantly externalise that fact in the creative work that was **IMBUMBA 2006**.

We write to express our admiration of the work DanceLink is doing, especially at God's Golden Acre, judging by the standard, artistic and technical, which was achieved in the item *Dance for Youth*.

The well trained students demonstrated the ideal of a holistic education in the co-ordination of their physical, their intellectual and their emotional sincerity to interpret their externalisation of their experience of life and so to understand it more clearly, and develop the trust that grows from the experience of such a team effort in such a creative project.

How fortunate for you that you are in a situation where your own response to challenge is such a credit to you. You must be greatly gratified to find that your courage to endure and to keep faith has now shown the thinking entities of the human race that "dance" is not a diversion for the female of the species but an ultimate fact in the evolution of life physical emotional and intellectual in its 'effect'.

Kindly convey to the students our congratulations and warm appreciation of the calibre of their contribution to the National Creative Arts Youth Festival. We hope that they enjoyed their participation in this year's Festival and we look forward to welcoming them as participants in the National Creative Arts Youth Festival of 2007.

Our congratulations are due also to the members of DanceLink whose dedicated service to the organisation has done so much for its development. In moments that seem like overwhelming 'Seas of Despair' as one looks at the human condition, you are a beacon asserting the truth that the freedom to enjoy the beauty of life lies within the vision of every individual.

Once again, we can only say 'Thank You' for your vision and leadership and tenacity in the face of seemingly overwhelming odds.

With warm regards and best wishes Sincerely

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