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PRESS RELEASE

SST Art Competition winners announced

Klipfontein Primary School hosted the Prize Giving for the Sustainable Seas Trust's World Ocean Day Art Competition last Friday (15/08/2014).

"Learning without art is not serving our children, we need to create opportunities to create art," the guest speaker, well-known Kenton-on-Sea Ceramic Artist, Meshack Masuku, said.

Masuku continued to wow the audience with his profound words about the 'Value of Art in Education' as he added that "doing art give children the chance to empty their minds, making room for taking in more information and while creating children also learn to focus which in turn aids study".

"Art is the backbone of society and every alphabet started with artists' dots, just like the first cent leads to the first million. Learning without art is not serving our children and we need to create opportunity to create art", he said in closing.

It was a festive event with the Marselle Acapella group, Vintage, and the Klipfontein school choir performing before Kenton-on-Sea/Bushmans Tourism office representative, Nomawethu Ngangu, and Ward 3 councillor, Eric Khoathane, together with Masuku awarded the prizes.

The brief for the competition was to depict the theme - 'Celebrate Life & Protect our Oceans' - using one or two mediums and/or recycled items. Judging by the volume of ingenious recycled entries received it was clear that the weekly SST Education Programme's sessions which amongst other things emphasises the importance of how having clean communities contribute to having cleaner beaches, seas and coastlines.

In the Grade 1-3 section the winners were Kenton on Sea Primary School learner, Michael Smuts, for his *Under Water* paint & collage piece; and Klipfontein Primary learner, Sinqogile Skiti who created an upcycled cardboard and plastic car.

Klipfontein Primary learners, Thabiso Mjuza, who created a wire car, and Live Klaas, who created a beach, won in the Grade 4-5 section.

Both of the Grade 6 and 7 winners used wood to create their entries, Liyema Ngqezu made a wood and matchstick tray, and Masibonisane Thole created a wood car with wire wheels.

A special prize was awarded to Christeline Pullen for her creative use of objects found in her community environment - a plastic packet, a few sticks and fishing line - to create a kite.

Trustees: Robert Lowe (Chairman), Frederick Krohnert (Nedbank Trust representative), Richard Laing, Baldwin Ngubane, Frederick Oosthuizen, Anthony Ribbink, Michael Rodel, Louis van Vuren

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SST would like to thank Mabini's coffee shop , Natural You and Outdoor Focus for sponsoring the prizes and Klipfontein staff members, Miss Fikiswa Zita for opening and Mrs Valerie Pullen for closing the ceremony.



Kenton on Sea-based ceramic artist, Meshack Masuku, Kenton-on-Sea/Bushmans Tourism office representative, Nomawethu Ngangqu, and Ward 3 councillor, Eric Khoathane with all the lucky winners in the Sustainable Seas Trust World Oceans Day Art Competition.

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