



YOUTH WORLD

"To acknowledge the duty that accompanies every right."

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To our YW Readers:
**Thanks for a
great year!
(YW 2018-2019)**

"My legacy doesn't matter. It isn't important that I be remembered. It's important that when I stand before the Lord, he says, 'Well done, good and faithful servant.' I want to FINISH strong."

—James Dobson



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YW Editor's Message

Hello and welcome to the final issue of *Youth World* for the Y's year 2018-2019. Before I continue, I would like to thank everyone who has shared in the past three *YW* issues. We had a phenomenal year with most clubs having successful fundraising efforts, as well as participating in many youth programmes, locally and internationally. I appreciate your continued efforts in the Movement, as well as your support of our youth magazine. I hope to see you all again in October.

For *YW76*, we'd love to highlight some upcoming events, namely: the joint Area Canada/Caribbean and Area USA Area Youth Conference (AYC) and Area Asia Pacific AYC, to be held in Canada and Japan, respectively. Also, we'll take a sneak peak at a successful Art and Culture Festival hosted by the Mandeville Y Service Club, with support from the Jamaican Ministry of Youth and Culture. It's a wonderful feeling when a YMI/youth club and can receive support from their local government. There is also a brief look at the Brotherhood Fund (BF) and one Y's Men's BF experience in Area India.

As I close, I encourage you not to worry about how much farther it's going to take complete school, or gain a new skill, or how long it's going to take to fundraise for an important project. Plant seeds of action, row by row, day after day.

If we keep going, eventually, we'll be standing at the finish line and see how far we've come.

Trust that you'll get there.

Stephanie Spencer

Youth World Editor



***"For we live by faith, not by sight."
2 Corinthians 5: 7 (NIV)***

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Greetings from IYR Sherin!

Hi everyone. Greetings from India!

Another Y's year is coming to an end, which means this is the last issue of *Youth World* for the Y's year 2018/19. All the Y's Youths from across the world have stepped up their efforts to help fellow human beings in need. I appreciate you all for using your time and energy for community service activities.

As we prepare for the new year ahead, one of the major programmes that we look forward to in 2020 is the 18th International Youth Convocation (IYC) to be held in Odense, Denmark. A diverse group of youths will be attending the IYC to discuss the activities done in their individual clubs, to plan youth activities for the year ahead, and to create new friendships from across the world. And who can forget the fun! Planning by the organising committee is in full swing to make this event the best, so please start your preparations.

In a short while, a few Areas will be hosting their Area Youth Convocations (AYCs). I urge all youths to support these important events, as most of you will be electing new Area Youth Representatives (AYRs). I look forward to meeting these new faces, and I hope you will work with your new AYRs by reporting your home club activities.

Another important matter that I would like to share with you is that we are working on a Youth Constitution. In collaboration with your AYRs, I would like your input and suggestions to provide guidelines which best represent the future of youth within our Movement. You can contact me at



sherinwilson333@gmail.com or Facebook.

Finally, let me take this opportunity to thank YW Editor Stephanie Spencer for her efforts for this Y's years *Youth World* magazines.

Also, I would like to congratulate Y's youth Yvonne Hong (Taipei Youth Club) for her upcoming trip to Canada as Short-term Exchange Programme (STEP) delegate. I wish for her a productive and successful trip.

As we are approaching a new Y's year, let us plan and implement more community service programmes and work together to make the new year a great one!

Regards,

Sherin Wilson

IYR 2018-2020

*Summer is just around
the corner...*



<https://ysmen.org/>

...are you ready for it?



Show your community some love by doing some summer projects with your club. Out of ideas? How about an ice cream sale, or hosting a beach clean up? A community vegetable garden sounds like a good idea too, doesn't it? Whatever you decide to do, have fun doing it. It's for a worthy cause.

One more thing—don't forget the sunscreen!

Area Youth Convocation

AYC Announcements—Area Asia Pacific

Area Asia Area Pacific Youth Convocation!

Area Asia Pacific Focuses on the Environment

Where:

Sendai, Japan

When:

17- 21 July 2019



Flag of Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture

This year, the Area Asia Pacific Youth Convocation (AYC) 2019 will be held in Sendai, Japan. If you didn't know, the AYC is a gathering of all youth within an Area, fellowship and for learning about the host city, discussing issues affecting our world, and learning how to improve our skills to become better leaders.

Our 2019 theme will be centered around the environment, and how we can learn to help and love our only planet. We'll be focusing on using the 3Rs: Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle. We also want to show everyone what is happening to our earth.

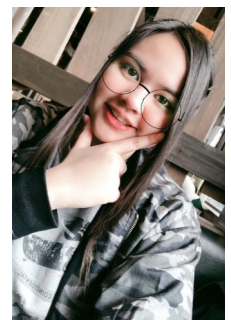
In addition to that, we'd like to show you a bit about Japan and Japanese history.

Hosting the AYC in Sendai is a big deal for us, as this was the place where the 2011 Tohoku earthquake and tsunami destroyed many lives in March 2011. We hope to guide everyone on what to do before, during, and after a natural disaster happens. In this way, we hope for a better and brighter future.

We're looking forward to seeing you all, so please come and join us!

Hikari Kobayashi

*Japan
Area Asia Pacific*



Area Youth Convocation

AYC Announcements—Area Canada/Caribbean and Area USA

Canada/Caribbean and USA Joint Area Youth Convocation!

Where:

**University of Ottawa
Campus
Ottawa, Ontario
Canada**

When:

15 – 18 August 2019



Area Canada/Caribbean (CAC) is proud to announce that we are hosting a Joint Area and Youth Convocation with Area USA in my hometown of Ottawa, Ontario in Canada! This summer we are hoping to host youth from Canada, the Caribbean, the USA, and even from Taiwan! The programme details are being finalized as we speak, but the weekend will be packed with sessions, field trips and community service projects. We welcome anyone who is interested in coming, even those from outside of the two hosting Areas.

For more information please email me, Natasha Lelievre (AYR CAC) at natasha.lelievre@gmail.com. There is an event for the Convocation that you can be invited to on Facebook, should you have an interest in coming.

This is a valuable opportunity for youth of different areas to come together in fellowship to discuss current topics, volunteer in the local community and strengthen their leadership skills.

I hope to see you this summer in Ottawa, Canada, for a great weekend, and of course to try our national delicacy—POUTINE!

Warm regards,

Natasha Lelievre

AYR CAC



Mandeville Y Service Club's

CTRL ART

RPT!



CTRL + ART + RPT (Control Art Repeat)



Members of the Mandeville Y Service Club with guest presenter Professor Jermaine Rowe.

The Mandeville Y Service Club, in partnership with the Jamaican Ministry of Education (MOE), staged their annual art symposium and art competition, “CTRL ART RPT” (Control Art Repeat) on Friday, March 22, 2019, at the Bishop Gibson High School auditorium and the Church Teacher’s College (CTC) Students’ Lounge.

Attendees of the symposium enjoyed the educational and engaging presentations, which featured guest speakers such as renowned Professor Jermaine Rowe, a theatre actor and singer, who was featured in the award-winning *Lion King* Broadway Musical production, and celebrated watercolour

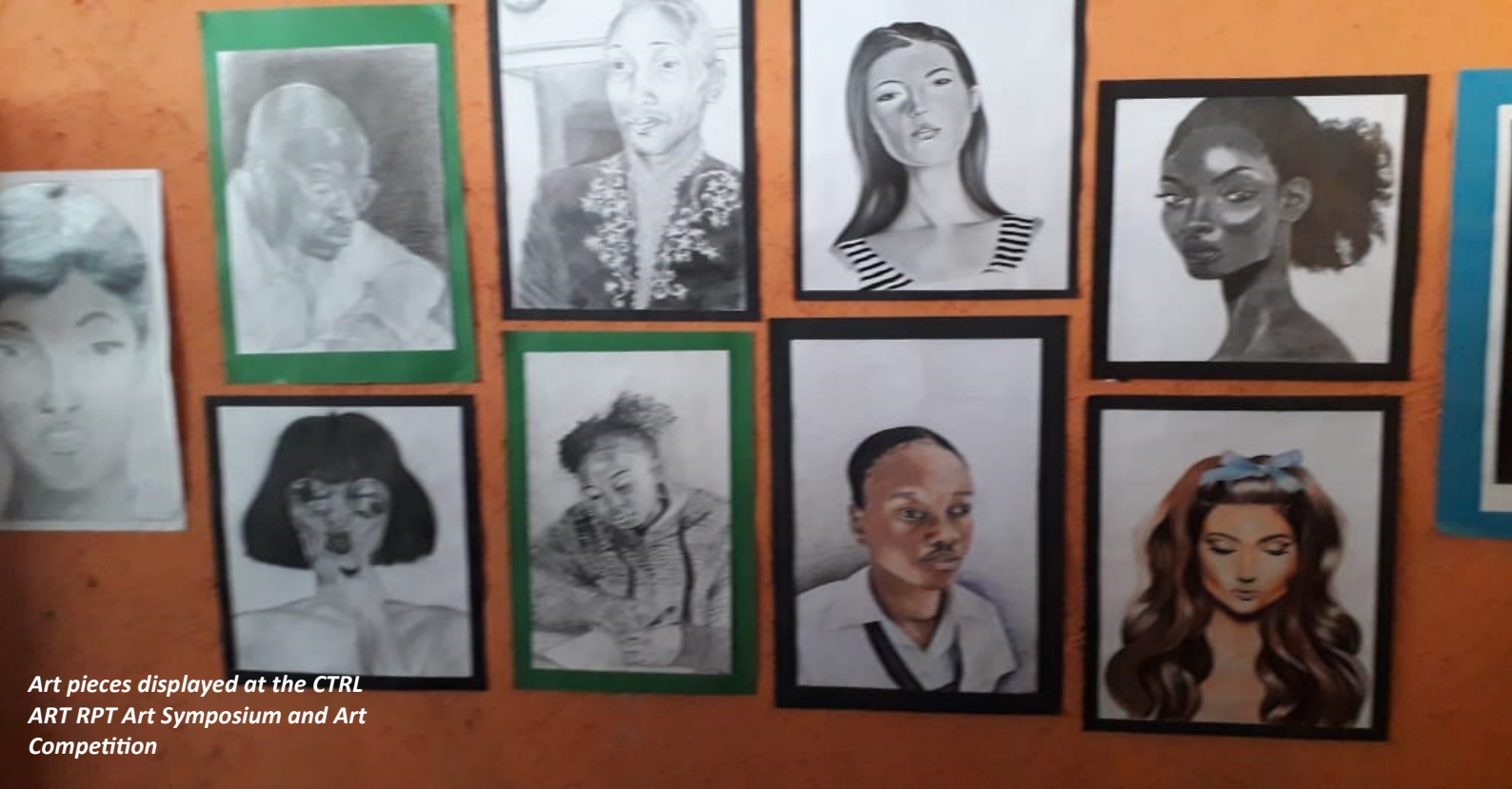
artist, Mr. Patrick Waldemar.

Professor Rowe’s presentation was based on one of his own musical productions, titled “The Storyteller”.

The workshop began with the participants—the students—sitting in a semi-circle as instructed. Then, Professor Rowe engaged the students with short excerpts of his musical, written in a story format. However, they were astounded to learn that the stories they were reading, would be performed as a song—by them!

But first, they needed to practice.

Professor Rowe led the ‘musical stories’ in tune with a song they were to



Art pieces displayed at the CTRL ART RPT Art Symposium and Art Competition

emulate. He encouraged the students to be open and to be 'wrong and strong'. As the students performed, he discouraged 'fancy singing', but stressed the importance of students truly understanding the meaning behind the piece.

This 'passion' was soon felt by the students at the symposium. Those who were seemingly sad, or had a little low energy, were soon moving rhythmically to the sounds and melodies of the music.

Overall, the symposium was the perfect way for students to engage in the freedom of expression and creativity—which made for an enjoyable event. As the participants exited the venue, one could hear humming and chanting of verses of the song they practiced. Another student could be heard sharing their experience with a friend and hoping that there would be another session in the future.

The Mandeville Y Service Club is grateful to Professor Jermaine Rowe, and Mr. Patrick Waldemar, who was able to share with the group.

We are truly grateful to them and we wish them the best in their future endeavours. ■



Renowned Jamaican watercolour artist, Patrick Waldemar, with students at the CTRL ART RPT art symposium and competition.

Y's Programmes

THE BROTHERHOOD FUND

The Brotherhood Fund, formerly known as the "Bishop's Fund", first began in 1931. The main purpose of the fund is to assist with overseas travel expenses and to increase visitation of overseas clubs among members, especially during Area and Regional Conventions.



Funds gathered for this fund first came from stamp collecting, but these days, these funds are lovingly contributed by local clubs across the world.

Here's a recent example from Area India:

The youth of the Y's Men's Club of Youth Ministry celebrated Republic Day with a special interactive session with Brotherhood Fund (BF) delegate, Y's Man Silas Njoroge Moses, from Kenya, Africa.

Area India AYR Diya Vijayan was also present. Y's Man Silas shared details of community service projects that were planned and conducted in his local area. His presentation was extremely helpful to the youth, as there were many possible ideas that the youth could implement in Area India. ■

— Diya Vijayan AYR India Area



For more information: Please visit the Y's Men International website for more information about the Brotherhood

Fund: ysmen.org/BF

Our **Y's Programmes** will take you to the next level...

STEP

If you want to be an international ambassador for Y's Men International, join the STEP and YEEP programmes today!

Short-Term Exchange Programme (STEP)

Suitable for Y's Men and Youth who wants to travel the world and make a difference all in one trip!

Participants are able to:

- Spend 3-11 weeks with a Y's Men's family in another country or region.
- Develop critical self-management skills.
- Learn about the customs, cultures, and languages of their host country or region.
- Learn about the activities of Y'sdom worldwide.

For more information on STEP, eligibility and application details click [here!](#)

YEEP

Youth Educational Exchange Programme (YEEP)

Suitable for Y's Youth between the ages of 16-18 years. Students (i.e. the participants) must be able to commit to a 12-month educational exchange programme to reap the benefits.

These benefits include:

- Creating global, and often, long-term friendships.
- Developing the traits and skills of a mature and responsible youth.
- Learning about the customs, cultures, and languages of their host country or region. (In most exchanges, students develop a proficiency in the language of their host countries.)
- Learning about the activities of Y'sdom worldwide.

For more information on YEEP, eligibility and application details click [here!](#)

Still want to join? Contact Rita Hettiarachchi (Service Director for the STEP&YEEP Programmes) at ritahetti@gmail.com to apply!

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Please send all comments and inquiries to Editor Stephanie Spencer at stephanie@ysmen.org



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