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#### **Our Vision**

A country in which every PWD enjoys equal access to the rights, privileges and opportunities afforded to all citizens

#### **Our Mission**

To be the leading organization that is renowned for educating and training PWDs to contribute to a disability inclusive society.

January 2023



Message from the Chief Executive Officer

Happy New Year! I hope you all safely enjoyed the holidays with your family and friends. As we usher in the new term, we look forward to creating more academic exposure for trainees and apprentices.

Some notable projects for 2023 involve collaborations with Scotiabank and UNDP. Our project with Scotiabank focuses on expanding and upgrading our beauty culture and agriculture programme. Moreover, our project with UNDP aims to increase the resilience of persons with disabilities (PWDs) through waste plastics and climate-smart technologies.

While welcoming new initiatives, we also remain focused on our mission of improving the quality of life for all PWDs. Particularly, we intend on increasing the outreach of NCPD's sensitization sessions to the public. Based on the support received, we also aim to continue hosting fundraisers to maintain financial viability. The first event for 2023 will be the "Hula Coola Boat Ride." This event will be held on February 4th 2023 from 12 pm to 1 pm.

In closing, I look forward to 2023 being a fantastic year for us. I wish to thank everyone who played a major role in contributing to the overall success of NCPD.

Regards,

Marcin

Stephen Creese

# **Disability Awareness**

### World Braille Day

#### What is World Braille Day?

January 4th is recognized as World Braille Day to commemorate the inventor of the Braille System, Louis Braille. This day raises the importance of braille as a means of communication for blind and visually impaired persons. Furthermore, it also acknowledges that these persons deserve the same standard of human rights as everyone else.

#### How to celebrate World Braille Day?

- Promote the work of blind or partially sighted people and artists.
- Hold discussions with your workplace or school to raise awareness and create an inclusive environment.
- Follow and Volunteer in organizations that focus on the blind and visually impaired. e.g.

# Erphaan Alves Visits NCPD

On Thursday 12th January 2023, renowned Soca artist Erphaan Alves visited NCPD. Our students filled with excitement, flocked to the lobby to see Mr Alves perform his hit song "Overdue."



Accompanying Mr Alves was

Christo and Smalta's mascot, Jolt, whom both kept a steady flow of entertainment.



Additionally, in promotion of his concert, "The Ultimate Kids Experience," students were invited to sing with him in order to win tickets to the event. Overall, NCPD thanks Mr Alves and his team for visiting NCPD and creating an unforgettable afternoon for our students.



# NCPD Attends Professor Rose-Marie Belle Antoine's Induction Ceremony

On Saturday 21st January 2022, The University of the West Indies hosted its induction ceremony for the new campus principal, pro-vice chancellor Professor Rose-Marie Belle Antoine.

NCPD was one of the organizations that were invited to this event. On behalf of NCPD, our health and safety officer, Mr Surindra Basdeo, attended. This event was a historical one as Professor Antoine is the first female principal and first principal out of the law fraternity.

In her inaugural address, she focused on the development of education. Particularly, she emphasised the need for a more progressive approach to access education, expanding to the underserved and forgotten.

Overall, NCPD was pleased to be in attendance at this memorable event. Moreover, we wish to congratulate Professor Antoine on her new position.

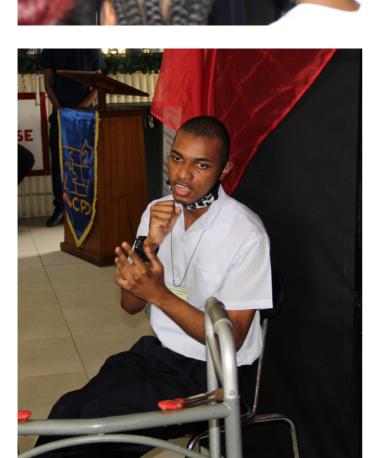








#### NCPD'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2022





## **UPCOMING EVENTS**





### Updated fees on membership types:

Ordinary: \$100

Covers both parents & immediate family of an NCPD student (\$100.00 annually)

PWD Membership: \$80.00

#### Lifetime: \$400 (one-off)

#### Corporate

For Business/Government entities

#### \$400 (Annually)

(All members of the organization/company included)

#### **BENEFITS:**

5% Discount on Goods and Services • Deposit-free Rental of Disability Aids Other benefits as may be identified by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Membership form: https://bit.ly/3LBIMp4

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  - Marabella
- Better Value Limited
  - San Fernando



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- TB Marketing Limited
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