

## **Dancescape South Africa (DSA) January 2022 Report**

Dancescape South Africa (DSA) continues to facilitate daily dance classes from January the 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (2.00pm – 6.00pm Venue Zolani Hope Centre – Mantlane Road Zolani Ashton) engaging children in beginner and senior dance sessions, however due to the Covid 19 pandemic our classes are restricted in numbers attending. We observe the relevant protocols such as screening the students before class, observing body temperature, sanitizing hands and observing social distancing. Our top priority is to facilitate classes in a safe environment for both teacher and learners.

### **The Dancescape South Africa Directors Report:**

After a long holiday we finally started our classes in the Zolani Township again on the 19<sup>th</sup> of January alongside the reopening of government schools in the Western Cape. Below are pictures taken at one of our classes for the junior students.





Three of our male students attended a summer dance intensive in Cape Town from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> of December. Phelo Ngxukuma, Aphiwe November and Chuma Mathiso enjoyed the classes and workshops very much. Unfortunately, on the way to the event they were involved in a car accident. Nqaba Mafilika our resident teacher was driving the car at the time of the accident which happened in Khayelitsha on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December. I am very relieved to report that nobody was injured in the accident however Nqaba's vehicle sustained severe damage and had to be towed away for repairs which are not yet complete. The pictures which follow were taken at the "Summer Dance Together" Dance Intensive held in Cape Town.



To report back on the building work being done to the Zolani Hope Centre. Ulli Bosch from Dance for Future has sponsored the building of change room facilities for our students. Some progress has been made but a lot of work is needed to finish the project. I spoke with Fanie the manager of the Zolani Care Trust and of the building and he told me that things should be coming to completion by mid-February. The pictures below show the work which had been done so far on the girls changing room.



We were hoping to have Kristine Elliott visit this month but due to Covid 19 she has had to postpone her trip and hopes to be here during the March school holidays. I have also been in contact with Adele Blank who we hope to facilitate workshops with sometime soon.

Once again, we thank you for taking the time to read this report. Please visit our website at: <http://dancescapesouthafrica.org.za/> and follow us on social media.

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