



**ATTENTION: ALL MEDIA/ NEWSDESK** 

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## **NYDA LAUNCHES YOUTH MONTH 2023**

The year 2023, marks 47 years since the 1976 Student uprising.

In 1994, June 16 was declared as commemoration of National Youth Day in South Africa. This is the day the country reflects on the massacre of school children during the Soweto Uprising of 1976. Each year, June 16 is therefore a day to recognise the struggles of the youth of 76 and celebrate the impact they brought in the liberation of our country.

The NYDA under the stewardship of the Department of Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities will in partnership with the Department of Sports, Arts and Culture (DSAC) host the Youth Month 2023 activities. This year's Youth Month activities seek to present opportunities available to young people through showcasing, dialogues and celebrating young change makers. The 2023 Youth Month will be celebrated under the theme: "Accelerating collaborations and opportunities to improve the lives of the youth".

To this end, government is bringing together multisectoral government, private sector and civil society partners to present real time opportunities to young people and engage in a dialogue to address the barriers they face.

Through partnership of government as well as private sector and non-governmental organisations, this year's Youth Month activities seek to present real time opportunities available to young people by forging multisectoral partnerships for youth development and showcasing opportunities available to the youth within government & private sector.

This letter serves to invite you to the official launch of Youth Month.

The launch of Youth Month will be held as follows:

Date: 01 June 2023

Venue: Uncle Toms Hall, Soweto

Time: 08:30 for 09:00

The launch will be followed by a detailing the Youth Month Roadmap to highlight all events due to take place during the month of June, in commemoration of the youth of 1976.

To confirm your availability please email Ms Bongekile Skosana on bongekile.skosana@nyda.gov.za