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PRESS RELEASE: NACN AWARDS N\$100,000 IN BURSARIES TO FUEL NAMIBIAN ARTISTIC DREAMS (2024)

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The National Arts Council of Namibia (NACN) proudly announces the recipients of its 2024 bursary programme, awarding total of а N\$1,090,823.98 to thirty-nine (39)talented Namibian students. This significant investment showcases NACN's commitment to nurturing a vibrant and diverse arts community.

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Artists are the cornerstones of our cultural identity. Their creativity breathes life into our communities, challenges perspectives, and inspires generations. Thus, the NACN bursary programme seeks to empower these artistic voices by providing much-needed financial support for their academic pursuits.

This year's recipients span various artistic disciplines, highlighting Namibia's creative richness. From aspiring musicians and theatre practitioners to visual artists and cultural practitioners, each awardee possesses the potential to shape the future of Namibian art.

Recognizing the financial struggles many artists face, the NACN has implemented a new approach to bursary allocation, prioritizing accessibility and resource management. This revamped system aims to not only provide funding but also equip recipients with the tools and knowledge to manage their resources effectively, setting them up for long-term success.

This bursary is more than just financial aid, as it is a validation of the artistic passion and a crucial stepping stone towards achieving the NACN goal.

The NACN extends its heartfelt congratulations to all recipients and encourages the nation to celebrate their artistic journeys. By investing in Namibia's artistic talent, we invest in a future filled with creativity, innovation, and cultural expression.

APPROVED APPLICATIONS:

	Grant Application Nr.	Name of applicant	Institution	Institution	Region
1.	BUR2024/14	Josephat Abraham	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Music	Zambezi
2.	BUR2024/019	Marshe'-Lee Van Wyk	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in New Media	Khomas
3.	BUR2024/004	Roccama R. Hailume	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Fashion Design	Hardap
4.	BUR2024/027	Tangi K. Haingena	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Visual Arts	Khomas
5.	BUR2024/029	Shanice Ndungaua	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in New Media Design	Oshana
6.	BUR2024/16	Pee-Jay Haack	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Music	Khomas
7.	BUR2024/008	Tjimbinondjo Kahuure	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Visual Arts	Omaheke
8.	BUR2024/018	Melissa de Klerk	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Music	Hardap
9.	BUR2024/011	Tjiunaje N.M. Ndjiharine	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Visual Arts	Khomas
10.	BUR2024/009	Viamenua Makari	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Visual Arts	Omaheke
11.	BUR2024/007	Vivian L. Rhoman	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diplomas in Visual Arts	Khomas
12.	BUR2024/031	Anna Ndunga	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Fashion Design	Omusati
13.	BUR2024/30	Rachel K. Mathias	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Fashion Design	Zambezi
14.	BUR2024/046	Sylvia Kwedhi	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in New Media Design	Oshana

15.	BUR2024/052	Francina Gabriel	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Fashion Design	Oshana
16.	BUR2024/054	Barakias Kaluwapa	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Music	Oshana
17.	BUR2024/071	Alicia Kakuritjire	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Fashion Design	Khomas
18.	BUR2024/090	Saara Ndimulunde	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Visual Arts	Ohangwena
19.	BUR2024/114	Samuel Ngalangi	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Performing Arts	Kavango- East
20.	BUR2024/086	Johannes Ntanga	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Visual Arts	Khomas
21.	BUR2024/117	Hancina Toromba	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Fashion Design	Khomas
22.	BUR2024/111	Uapeuovandu Mbinge	College of the Arts (COTA)	Diploma in Radio Production	Kunene
23.	BUR2024/051	Jessica Isaaks	Community Skills and Development Fund (COSDEF)	Vocational Certificate in Graphic Design	Erongo
24.	BUR2024/001	Helena T. Ithindi	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Postgraduate Diploma in Heritage Conservation and Management	Oshana
25.	BUR2024/017	Penny O. Festus	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Bachelor of Arts in Hummanities	Ohangwena
26.	BUR2024/041	Martha Amutenya	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Master of Arts (Drama by Thesis)	Oshana
27.	BUR2024/024	Pandulo D. Kashedi	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Bachelor of Arts in Music	Omusati

28.	BUR2024/087	Frans K. Kandando	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Bachelor of Education (Secondary) Honours Degree majoring in fashion, history and fabrics	Khomas
29.	BUR2024/070	Linekela Nghuumono	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Bachelor of Arts in Media & Communication Studies	Khomas
30.	BUR2024/091	Joshua Shiindaadhi	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Bachelor of Arts in Drama & Theatre Art	Khomas
31.	BUR2024/095	Tuyenikelao Lungameni	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Master of Arts in English	Otjozondjupa
32.	BUR2024/092	Inamuvulua Edhiga	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Postgraduate Diploma in Heritage Conservation and Management	Omusati
33.	BUR2024/120	Quinton Swarts	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Bachelor of Arts in Media Studies	/Kharas
34.	BUR2024/121	Geolin Coleman	University of Namibia (UNAM)	Bachelor of Arts in Media Studies	Hardap
35.	BUR2024/044	Rui B. Steenkamp	Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST)	Bachelor of Journalism & Technology	/Kharas
36.	BUR2024/106	Joyce Nghiitete	Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST)	Bachelor of Architecture	Ohangwena
37.	BUR2024/043	Le-Clue R. Job	The Waterfront Theatre School	Bachelor of Performing Arts	Khomas

3	8.	BUR2024/083	Hadi Sharif van Wyk	Emedy Multi Media Institute	Diploma in Music Technology	Khomas
3	9.	BUR2024/047	Muhetjituirepo Rukero	Limkonkwing University of Creatuve Technology	Diploma in Graphic Design	Khomas

The National Arts Fund is a state programme established by government, with a mission to advance Namibian contemporary and traditional arts, with an emphasis on artistically underserved communities. The Fund was established through the National Arts Fund Act, (No. 1 of 2005) (NAF). The NAF is governed by the National Arts Council of Namibia.

The National Arts Council of Namibia (NACN) is committed towards the provision of arts and culture career specific grants. Building the capacity of experts and a network of qualified professional artists and artisans is essential to the mandate of the NACN to support the growth of the creative cultural industries of Namibia.

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