



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Opportunity to win performing arts scholarships

The Arts & Culture Trust (ACT) invites the youth (younger than 25 years) to register for the ACT | DALRO | Nedbank Performing Arts Scholarships 2011.

Two performing arts scholarships to the value of R105 000 each are up for grabs. The registration closing date is 31 May 2011.

Participants are required to demonstrate competence in acting, singing and dancing with exceptional talent in at least one of the disciplines. Four regional audition rounds will be hosted in Cape Town on 24 and 25 June, in Johannesburg on 1 and 2 July, in Grahamstown during the National Schools Festival on 10 and 11 July and in Durban on 15 and 16 July 2011.

Sponsored by the Dramatic, Artistic and Literary Rights Organisation (DALRO) and Nedbank Arts Affinity, the Scholarships Programme awards two scholarships with a combined value of R 210,000 to students who wish to pursue undergraduate studies in the performing arts. Individuals between the ages, 18 and 25 who are not considered to be professional and who are not registered for an undergraduate performing arts course during 2011 are also eligible to enter. Scholarship winners will be at liberty to select their preferred performing arts course at any accredited South African tertiary institution.

Selected finalists must be available for the final round which will take place in Johannesburg at the beginning of October 2011. ACT will cover the costs of travel and accommodation for finalists.

For more information contact the ACT office on 011 712 8403 or e-mail: [deidre@act.org.za](mailto:deidre@act.org.za).

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## NOTE TO THE EDITORS:

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### **About Nedbank**

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### **About the Arts & Culture Trust (ACT)**

The Arts & Culture Trust (ACT) is South Africa's premier, independent arts funding and development agency. Go to [www.act.org.za](http://www.act.org.za) for more information about ACT, its funding programmes, criteria for assessment and submission of applications online.

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