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ICDF Foundation



Newsletter

October 2015.



Flame and Project Awards 2015

Many Foundation friends enjoyed a high tea and colourful program.

See the Award afternoon on You Tube

<https://youtu.be/wqoPXaHH6WM>

Memories of Paula Douthett at event

<https://youtu.be/Wy2J-78ALc4>



*ICDF Foundation
Supporting the work
of International Christian
Dance Fellowship*

The initial donation to start the Foundation was given by members at the International conference in Scotland 2009.

The Foundation gives support by

- Annual Flame Awards recognising excellence in dance ministry
- Raising money for dance ministry projects on the basis of need and merit



Flame Awards

Dr Ed Lapid was awarded for his research work among the many indigenous tribes in the Philippines, discovering and documenting their dances music and costumes. The dances were then *prayformed* by Kaloob: Philippine Music and Dance Ministry that he founded and directs. Dr Lapid is Senior Pastor of DaybyDay Ministries that has branches around the world and is on the Board of Reference for ICDF. Kaloob performed at the 2009 ICDF conference in Malaysia.

Dr Ed Lapid

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iYzMiCph1V0>

Kaloob

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v1opRLg9FPQ>



Mary Hartney received an award for her work with integrated dance in Ireland. She was original inspired by attending a workshop at the ICDF conference in Dallas USA in 2003. She went home and initiated an innovative dance programme in six schools for disabled and non-disabled dancers and has also founded and co-directs an integrated dance company *Spoken Dance*.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H_qFY48UU_I&feature=youtu.be



Project Awards

Miriam Wangu Kanja set up a Foundation to help victims of rape in Kenya after she was raped at gunpoint. She has asked ICDF to help with setting up a Dance Therapy program for the women to help them deal with the aftermath of their experiences.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nNUemAmkYgc>

- Awarding Paula Douthett scholarships for applicants to the ICDF Diploma in Dance Ministry on the basis of both need and merit.

Board Members

Mary Jones (Chair)

Jennifer Dennis

Bruce Dennis

Sally Torr

Rod West

Honorary Auditor

Geoff Chubb

!!!!!!Christmas Party

Sunday Dec 6
3pm at 11 Amaroo Cres
Mosman

rsvp

0404 147 125

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Save the date
2016

Flame Awards

Sat June 18

Have you seen our
new website?

<http://foundation.icdf.com>



Ailyn Rodriguez Isaac is the newly appointed Country Representative for Cuba. She is working hard to build a dance group and answer invitations from churches around the country for workshops but is finding it hard to come up with the resources needed in a country where finances and equipment are often scarce.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cicZ50Hxhwl&feature=em-upload>



Mr Morales of the Philippines' Consulate receives award for Dr Lapiz from Foundation Chair Mary Jones.



Corinne Urquhart receives award for Mary Hartney



Kaloob: Music and Dance performing.



Mary Hartney's Spoken dance Company



WHAT DOESN'T **BREAK** YOU **MAKES** YOU

One night changed Miriam Wangu Kanja's life and now she's using her life to change another's night.

BY WACHU MARIKI

In 2012, Miriam's life changed for ever. "The event that almost broke me is the very thing that put a fire in my house and a passion that drives me every day," Miriam begins. "It was not easy for me and for a while, I only existed, consumed by my pain until I finally cried to God to make me whole again." She was working as a sales executive for a taxi company.

That day, she had a meeting in which she landed a lucrative contract. Since the meeting was to be after hours on a rainy evening, her client promised to drop her home.

were told to get out of the car. The two men were taken to the other car and locked in, and then the four thugs accosted off with Miriam.

Miriam, terrified at being alone with these men, received comfort from one of the thugs who assured her that nothing would happen to her since she was like one of their sisters. They drove to a deserted field where the thugs split up. Unfortunately, the man who had promised to look out for her left for London.

The thug who was left with her had a terrifying look in his eyes. "I could tell what he was thinking," she says, "and

ing, just paying silently that the other thing would not come over." "One is enough, Lord, please," she prayed.

The next day, Miriam was escorted by one of the thugs to the bus stop. When she got there, her escort vanished and she got into a matatu. "She only thought in my mind at that moment was to get to the police," she says.

At the police station, the officers on duty advised her not to inform her husband or boyfriend about the assault, took her statement, covering the eyes and sent her on her way. Luckily, on her way home, she bumped into her sister who insisted on taking

part of her training, she had to receive individual counselling, and it was during these sessions that Miriam realised that she could turn the horrific experience around. "I woke up to the fact that I was not dead," she says, "and I resolved to help others who may have gone through the same thing."

Today, 32-year-old Miriam has registered the Wangu Kanja Foundation, in which she is determined to change the laissez-faire attitude society has towards sexual assault.

"The rising cases of sexual assault are simply unacceptable," she says passionately. Miriam is organising a concert in October this year.

Miriam Wangu Kanja's story



ICDF Cuba group with Ailyn



The Urquhart Trio
Below: Paula Douthett

We were able to send donations to both projects from money raised during the afternoon. Thankyou!!

You can now donate through our new website
<http://foundation.icdf.com>

Paula Douthett scholarship

The month before the event Paula Douthett, the Foundations Patron and an inaugural Flame Award winner, died at the age of 83 in her home town of Minneapolis, USA, after a lifetime of ministry. We announced a scholarship in her honour for the ICDF Diploma of Dance Ministry and several people shared their memories of her.

Memories of Paula (and event) <https://youtu.be/Wy2J-78ALc4>
22.46 minutes



Below Board member Jennifer Dennis presents flowers to Kay Quisenberry and Jan Sebastian after they danced to *Pie Jesu* which was choreographed by Paula and the costumes they wore were designed and made by her.



Celine Urquhart danced to *March of the Priests* from *Magic Flute*



Guests at the Tea





Checking out the Silent Auction



Below
Rod West reads out the results



Board member Bruce Dennis prays over
the gifts collected by the youngest
members at the tea.

Thank you to all those who made the
occasion a success!
We look forward to see you at the next

event.

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