

JN Foundation launches coffee table book

THE JAMAICA National Building Society (JNBS) Foundation's Resolution Project launched its coffee table book, **Take A Look at My World** over the holidays on the Terrace at Devon House in St Andrew.

The book is an anthology of photographic work produced by students from the Resolution Project in rural high schools, started 11 years ago. Based on their grasp of photographic techniques and principles of advocacy, the Resolution Project book is an accurate reflection of the students' view of the society they live in; and, boldly records unique aspects of their country's culture and lifestyle. Saffrey Brown, general manager, JNBS Foundation said the book is a demonstration of the exemplary photographic talent possessed by current and former Resolution Project student photographers over the past decade.

"This was certainly a collaborative effort. And, this book is really a testament of the dedication of our students to the project; as well as, their commitment to developing their skills, not only as photographers but also as advocates," said Brown. "Each of these photographs tells a different story; each of them represents what these young photographers see happening around them, in their world, from their own perspectives."

DEDICATION

Photographer Stuart Reeves, chief volunteer for the project, said the longevity of the Resolution Project is a direct result of the dedication of the students and teachers. And, with approximately 200 students currently registered in the project, he also stated that the book serves as a true representation of their abilities and their creative eye.

"My past life was in education, and I believe that after completing the first 10

years of the Resolution Project, we have indeed passed the test," he said. "The result today is this book; and, I must acknowledge the young photographers and the teachers who worked with them. They were given point and shoot cameras and they have used them to the best advantage." Chair of the JN Foundation, Earl Jarrett, commended the Foundation for the successful execution of the project and pioneering of the book. He agreed **Take a Look at My World** demonstrates the power of photography.

"Photography is about every moment in life; it represents a history of emotions and this book will share with the world, moments of life experiences," he said. "These pictures are true expressions from our young advocates and photographers." Jarrett, who conceptualised the book, also cited its publication as a defining moment for the project and the students' accomplishments.



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Saffrey Brown (left), general manager, JNBS Foundation, and Stuart Reeves, chief volunteer photographer for the JNBS Foundation's Resolution Project, take a break for the lens at the launch of 'Take a Look at My World' coffee table book at Devon House in December. The book features a compilation of photographic work taken over the past decade by former and current participants in the foundation's Resolution Project, which caters to students in rural high schools across Jamaica.