

ARU Vocational and Skilling for girls Funds

The Bakhita Partnership for Education (BPE) is supporting the Association of Religious of Uganda (ARU) vocational training and skills development for Girls in Uganda. In identifying the training institutes ARU had the aim of getting a school where a tailor-made curriculum for such girls could be designed to meet their particular expressed needs. Pearlcrest Hospitality Training Institute was contacted and the administration was cooperative enough to ensure the girls are trained in what they wanted –

About the school:

Pearlcrest Hospitality Training Institute (PHTI) is a project of Kyoga Foundation, a not-for-profit making organization, which promotes social welfare in Uganda. Pearlcrest offers Professional Courses in the Hotel and Hospitality Industry to young women in Uganda, at the technical and supervisory level. The development of these skills is seen as an important contribution to the economic, industrial and social needs of Uganda.

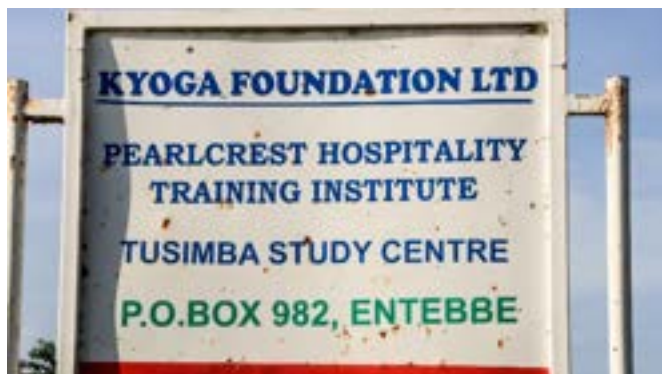
The Institute provides educational services at subsidized costs to enable more Ugandan girls and women to acquire professional training and therefore improve their living conditions. Pearlcrest gives girls lifelong skills in catering, management and hospitality.

STUDENTS UNDER A THREE MONTHS SKILLING PROGRAMME AT PEARLCREST HOSPITALITY TRAINING INSTITUTE

	NAME OF STUDENT	DISTRICT		NAME OF STUDENT	DISTRICT
1.	Nakibuuka Sarah	Masaka	23.	Acen Ketty	Soroti
2.	Nanyondo Matilda	Masaka	24.	Amulen Elizabeth	Soroti
3.	Kapaska Elizabeth	Kyegegwa	25.	Salome Atingo	Soroti
4.	Sylvia Keneema	Kyegegwa	26.	Caroline Atemo	Soroti
5.	Teddy Biira	Kyegegwa	27.	Acen Dorothy Fiona	Gulu
6.	Proscovia Birungi	Kyegegwa	28.	Akello Felista	Lira
7.	Tusiime Rita	Kyenjojo	29.	Acen Winnifred	Lira
8.	Nakinbugwe Winfred	Jinja	30.	Achen Pamella	Lira
9.	Joan Anderu	Kampala	31.	Adoch Barbra	Lira
10.	Pauline Namuyaba	Kampala	32.	Akello Jane	Lira
11.	Assumpta Musiimenta	Hoima	33.	Akello Rebecca	Lira

12.	Tushemerirwe Scovia	Jinja	34.	Auma Priscilla	Lira
13.	Kyazike Lilian	Jinja	35.	Apio Modesta	Otuke
14.	Agonzebwa Mary Hilda	Jinja	36.	Atinu Suzan	Otuke
15.	Ihunde Jane Frances	Jinja	37.	Akello Brenda	Otuke
16.	Beatrice Angecer	Soroti	38.	Akullu Sarah	Apach
17.	Apio Angella	Soroti	39.	Akech Stella	Apach
18.	Adio Everline	Soroti	40.	Tino Nancy	Apach
19.	Apio Sylvia	Soroti	41.	Apio Grace	Kwania
20.	Apio Loyce	Soroti	42.	Akoli Rebecca	Kwania
21.	Among Rhoda	Soroti	43.	Asinduru Valentina	Arua
22.	Acen Ketty	Soroti	44.	Mungulen Schovia	Arua

STUDENTS ADMITTED AT PEARLCREST HOSPITALITY TRAINING INSTITUTE IN ENTEBBE



Orientation of the new entrants

CATERING CLASSES



Beginning the journey of skilling each student in her own world



Instructor with students in cookery



KNITTING AND CROCHET CLASSES



COMPUTER LITERACY FOR COMMUNICATION AND BUSINESS



Computer instructor with the computer literacy class
Groups are instructed in rounds



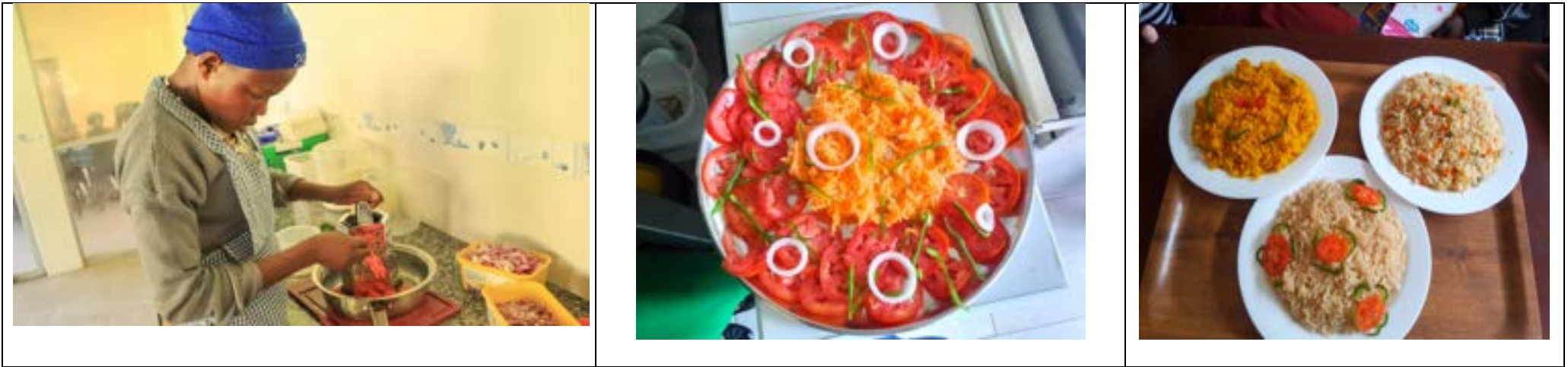
Practical Hands-on learning



Designing cards ad advert information for
their businesses

AFTER ONE MONTHS TRAINING BELOW ARE SAMPLES OF THEIR PRODUCTS. (door mats different dishes)





ARU's Observations and recommendation:

- 1) The 44 girls started the training on 7th November 2022 and will complete the three months on 7th February 2023. The unique approach in the training is that;
 - Immediately after orientation each student is given a mentor whose work is to listen to the stories of the girl, guide her and give her the necessary psychosocial support needed. The training is rooted in Gospel values –

“Our mission is to offer young women, an opportunity to improve their lives and the lives of their families, by giving them high quality training in Hospitality and Accommodation Management, as well as equipping them with social skills. The training is aimed at developing the students into women of integrity and maturity, who possess the relevant quality skills demanded by the Hospitality and Catering sector in Uganda.

For the formation of self-reliant students, the Institute gives the trainees the necessary knowledge, skills and attitudes that enable them to start, operate and manage personal or group business enterprises. It also instils in them the drive needed to venture into profit making activities. The course is open to young women from all over Uganda, regardless of tribe, religious denomination or background.”

- 2) The girls are not as they started – there is a noted change every week that passes. They are now a happy group with new ideas and different world view of themselves. The component of confidence building and discovery of their potentials is giving them energy and excitement about success when they go back home to work for their exi

- 3) The Institute is willing to offer support to another group as long as ARU continues to pay for their accommodation, feeding, transport and general welfare. It is ARU's humble recommendation that JENA continues with this contribution so that more poor girls get the relevant skills in this enterprise for their own benefit and their families.
- 4) The Institute has other different scholarships even for girls who completed senior Four and would like to go for a Diploma they cater for 70% while the girl caters for 30% including accommodation, feeding and transport to the school. ARU recommends that this would be ideal for the girls on St. Bakhita Education Partnership programme who may get stranded again after senior four.