

SCIENCE SPAZA SPACE



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10TH BIRTHDAY EDITION 2023



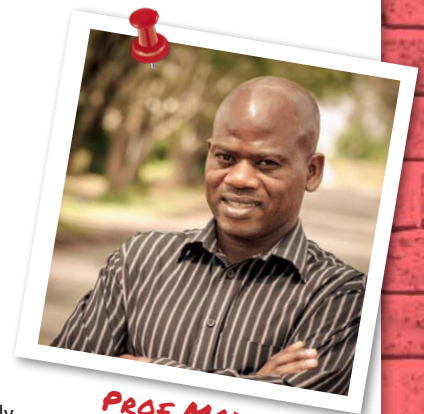
HAPPY 10TH BIRTHDAY!



SCIENCE SPAZA IS TURNING 10!

WHERE IT ALL BEGAN: A MESSAGE FROM SCIENCE SPAZA'S FOUNDERS

"Growing up I had no hope of being of scientist. My rural school did not have the facilities, but I managed to succeed to become a professor of science. I am also proud to say that through Science Spaza, many young people, technicians, teachers and professors can interact. This enhances career choices, regardless of a person's background. Science Spaza makes science-oriented community engagement fun and easy for everyone." **Prof Albert Thembinkosi Modi**



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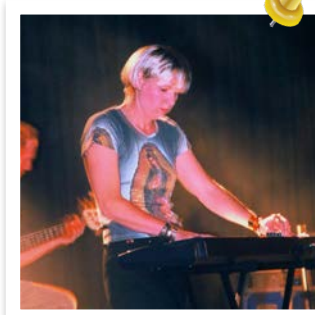
"Do you remember a visitor to your school, or someone you met when you were young, who changed your life forever? For me it was a bearded geologist and his photographs of Antarctica's beautiful and icy wasteland. Soon I was sailing among the icebergs to overwinter at the Southern tip of the world. Across our beautiful country, there are young people, who have the talent and the potential to positively transform our future. But only if they have access to ideas and inspiration that can support them on that path. Thanks to all those who have journeyed with Science Spaza over the past 10 years – and here's to another decade of inspiring and supporting the science spaza club members along their way! **Robert Inglis**



ROBERT INGLIS

"My parents raised me to believe that all humans should have equal rights, to have access to knowledge and opportunities, and to be treated with respect, and dignity. I am grateful to them for this message. And this is what has inspired me to do the work I do. Science Spaza is a way of making knowledge accessible to all children, and to inspire you to seek opportunities, no matter your circumstances! Take it day by day; month by month... dream a little bigger each year. And never let anyone tell you that you're not good enough. EVER! Much love on your journey!"

Hilary Kromberg



HILARY KROMBERG

HELPING TOMORROW'S YOUNG SCIENTISTS, TODAY

THANK YOU TO THESE PARTNERS FOR SPONSORING THIS COMMEMORATIVE EDITION AND FOR THEIR INVALUABLE SUPPORT OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS



In this edition, we reflect on the countless moments of wonder, the joy of experimentation, and the thrill of understanding the world's mysteries. As we commemorate this milestone, let us acknowledge the educators, the young minds, and the scientists that has made this journey possible. Each page turned, each experiment conducted, and each "aha" moment shared has contributed to the rich tapestry of learning that Science Spaza represents. Happy 10th anniversary, Science Spaza! It has been wonderful to partner with you on many of the Science Spaza editions.



Wits University congratulates Science Spaza for making science accessible to multiple communities over the last 10 years. Thank you for inspiring South Africans to learn more about science, technology, research and innovation. Let's continue to create changemakers and inspire change agents to change our world, for good. Stay curious!



The DSI-NRF Centre of Excellence in Mathematical and Statistical Sciences (CoE-MaSS) congratulates Science Spaza on their 10th anniversary! It has been an honour to collaborate over the years, spreading inspiration and guidance where it is needed most, committing to the betterment of communities and prioritising social development. Here's to many more years of magic.



We, at the South African Medical Research (SAMRC) Council Centre for Tuberculosis Research and Stellenbosch University's (SU) Department of Biomedical Sciences, wholeheartedly support the Science Spaza project. By addressing the resource gap and offering engaging, hands-on learning experiences, Science Spaza plays a pivotal role in bridging educational disparities and nurturing future innovators. We are proud to collaborate and contribute our expertise to this noble endeavour. Together, we can inspire young minds to explore the wonders of science and math, fostering a brighter, more knowledgeable generation.





OUR SCIENCE CLUB ALUMNI ARE LEADING THE WAY

CELEBRATION MESSAGES FROM OLD SCIENCE CLUBBERS

"I was introduced to Science Spaza and all the different fun activities back in 2015, when I was doing Grade 9 at Kutama High School in a small village called Zamenskomste near Makhado, Limpopo. I still remember an activity we did about Robots, all about how they operate and are built. My love and passion for science kept on growing and now I am in my 4th year of a Bachelor of Pharmacy degree at the University of Limpopo. I loved being part of the Science Spaza club, it also boosted my confidence. A big thanks to my high school science teacher, Miss Liswoga too.

I would like to wish Science Spaza a warm, educationally happy 10th birthday, may it continue to improve science literacy and reveal the power of science and technology to our little brothers and sisters, like they did for us -- we will be forever grateful." **Mudimeli Fhatuwani**



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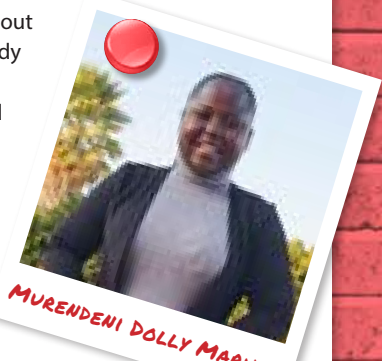


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"Happy 10th birthday, Science Spaza! Your decade of igniting curiosity and fuelling young minds with the wonders of science has been truly inspiring. Here's to many more years of sparking innovation and creating a brighter future through knowledge and discovery! I am looking forward to seeing the emergence of the next generation of young scientists and innovators that will take us to new heights of science and technology." **Goratileone Openeng**

"In 2015 I wrote a letter to Science Space explaining who I was and about our club. In 2017, I enrolled at the University of Venda. I wanted to study Industrial Psychology, but I did not have the funds, so I studied Youth Development and fell in love with the course! I graduated in 2020 and now work for the Independent Electoral Commission as an assistant project coordinator.

Being part of our Science Spaza Club gave me a sense of belonging. I struggled to relate to my peers but when I joined the club I felt I was safe, and we could relate to each other about what we are going through especially over school projects. I am honoured to wish Science Spaza the Happiest of Birthdays, continue to give the youth the support we need, this might be a science club but this also impacts our lives socially." **Murendeni Dolly Maruli**



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THANK YOU FOR 10 YEARS OF AMAZING SUPPORT



WILL YOU BE A PART OF OUR FUTURE?

HELP US REACH EVERY SCHOOL IN SOUTH AFRICA!

AS WE STEP FORWARD, WE WANT TO **ENGAGE** WITH AS MANY YOUNG PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE BY GROWING OUR **NETWORK** OF CLUBS, THE **NUMBER** OF LEARNERS IN CLUBS, AND BRINGING MORE **RESEARCHERS** TO SCHOOLS. BUT OF COURSE - WE CAN'T DO IT ALONE.



SO, WE'RE LOOKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT. LET'S **INVEST** IN YOUNG PEOPLE SO THEY CAN IMAGINE AND BUILD A **BRIGHTER FUTURE**. BECAUSE KNOWLEDGE IS **NCAH!**

PARTNER WITH US! HERE'S HOW...

1 Donate

Science Spaza is a Yazi Centre for Science and Society programme. By partnering with Yazi, you become one of Science Spaza's core sponsors, enabling us to fund and grow our Science Spaza network, develop core resources and extend our Science Clubs nationally. YAZI is a registered Non-Profit and Public Benefit Organisation, so donations are tax deductible.

2 Spaza Space

Spaza Space is the official newspaper of the Science Spaza programme, linking clubs to one another and the broader science sector. 10 000 copies are delivered free of charge to science centres and clubs nationally. Reach young scientists with advertising, advertorial or an entire themed publication.



3 Activities, worksheets and online videos

Science Spaza activities, worksheets and videos are interactive, curriculum-linked, and fun, and always result in lengthy engagement by our young scientists. They can also be created around your research, and your key science topics and are distributed with our newspaper and online to over 100 clubs nationwide.



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and help make a meaningful impact on the next generation of leaders in over 100 science clubs across all 9 provinces of South Africa.

We are talking to our future leaders. Are you?

Let's talk

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