

16th Annual Report 2011/2012



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Our Vision

To be the Centre of Excellence for individuals with
Down syndrome, their families
and the community

Our Mission

Develop individuals with Down syndrome through
life long learning and social integration

Support families through specialist services,
information and education

Advocate for equal opportunities, quality of life and
their contribution to society

Our Shared Values

Commitment

We demonstrate strong belief in and
dedication to our shared vision and core values

Integrity

We uphold ethics and moral principles
in all our conduct

Professionalism

We aim to excel in all that we do with
positive attitudes, openness and knowledge

Teamwork

We achieve our goals through
camaraderie, synergy and partnership
for the benefit of our stakeholders



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Chairperson's Message

Monica De Silva-Lim

Down Syndrome Association (Singapore) - DSA(S) has had a very fruitful 16 years and the good news is that we are well on track towards the inclusive community we long for.

From serving less than a dozen families when it first started, today, our membership has increased to over 600. With all our efforts to increase awareness of Down syndrome and the services of DSA(S) for families of persons with Down syndrome, the past year has seen the best membership growth ever. In addition, funds and volunteers have also, thankfully, been flowing in steadily. The future is indeed looking brighter.

Being sweet 16 has its privileges. A very special present for us was being awarded a new space by the National Council of Social Services (NCSS) – more than double our current premises on the 6th floor of Junction 8. We will be operating from this exciting new space on the 9th floor of Junction 8 from mid-November 2012. This will enable us to serve even more members and their families and allow us to house all our staff under one roof instead of being distanced, as they currently are, in two locations – Junction 8 and Telok Blangah Crescent. So look out for even greater synergies and energies in DSA(S) coming your way!

We have also embarked on what we call Project Heartprints, which we plan to launch from the grand opening of the 'new' DSA(S) centre. Project Heartprints is about Seeding, Nurturing & Growing Cradle to Cradle, Safe & Inclusive Culturally Mediated Living in Experiential Loving Communities & Environments. It's about realizing our vision of **Loving, Honouring and Living in celebration as one community**. Keep your eyes peeled to our website for more information in due course.

The year in review also saw DSA(S) forging many new relationships and strengthening existing partnerships with corporates and individuals who believe in our cause and whose hearts have been touched enough to want to journey with all of us. To our fellow sojourners, our profound gratitude!

In particular, the DSA(S)-Irish collaboration was forged and has grown stronger through the generosity of the Singapore Ireland Fund, which provided the cornerstone funding of \$200,000 for the development of our 'new' centre. The Irish community in Singapore also co-organised and walked with us for World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD) DSA(S) Buddy Walk. It was held, for the first time, in conjunction with the St Patrick's Day celebrations in Singapore on 18 March 2012. This year's WDSD celebration was also very significant as it was, for the first time, observed by the United Nations, which had passed a resolution this year to designate 21 March every year as "World Down Syndrome Day". This recognition by the United Nations was the culmination of years of effort by the Down syndrome community the world over and it brought tears of joy to all of us when the resolution finally came to pass.

DSA(S) also held its second Art Exhibition "Refraction", in collaboration with the LaSalle College of the Arts from 25 April to 3 May 2012. The exhibition was a platform for our members to showcase their immense talents. We are deeply grateful to LaSalle not only for giving our artists this wonderful platform to share their gifts but also for a new partnership which will see students of La Salle and students of DSA(S) learning together in various projects to be launched over the years for the benefit of both communities.

We also celebrated DSA(S)'s 15th anniversary in September 2011 at the Shangri-La Hotel. None other than Mr Teo Chee Hean, Deputy Prime Minister (DPM) and Minister for Home Affairs, graced the occasion as our Guest-of-Honour. The event was another record-breaker in terms of funds raised – \$248,846 – which went a long way towards providing services for all our members. More importantly, it touched the hearts of many including our DPM who very generously offered the painting presented to him that night for auction which raised a handsome sum for DSA(S).

Another milestone for us was the publication of our first ever book written by parents "**Opening Our Hearts:**



Sharings by Parents of Children with Down Syndrome", which was launched in November 2011 by Senior Minister of State for Education & Information, Communications and the Arts, Mr Lawrence Wong. It is a compilation of unreserved stories from the heart, distinctly Singaporean, aimed to raise awareness that children with Down syndrome and their parents and siblings are simply ordinary families but ones with special duties. Duties, which need the support of many. Telling of the passion, pain, joys and challenges of bringing up a child with Down syndrome, it is a book, which also resounds with hope for every parent of such angels. If you haven't yet read it, grab a copy from DSA(S).

The year that has gone by has been a great one for DSA(S). But what I'd like to say is, the best is yet to be. But it can only be realized if each and every one of us in DSA(S), the public and private sectors, social enterprises and non-profit organisations, individuals, ALL pull together with one accord to love, honour and live in celebration of life as one community. The time to begin is now!



Monica De Silva-Lim
Chairperson
Down Syndrome Association
(Singapore)

Honorary Secretary's Report

Roderick Tan Tiong Own

Early in 1995, a group of parents of children with Down syndrome recognized that a great need existed in Singapore to support and educate families, professionals and the public about Down syndrome. Out of a meeting held on 1 October 1995, the Down syndrome Support Group was formed. In May 1996, the group organized and hosted, with great success, the 2nd Asia Pacific Conference on Down syndrome.

The enthusiasm generated amongst parents, professionals and community members spurred the formal registration of the group as Down Syndrome Association (Singapore) in September 1996.

The Association was awarded official recognition by the National Council of Social Service on 4 July 1997.

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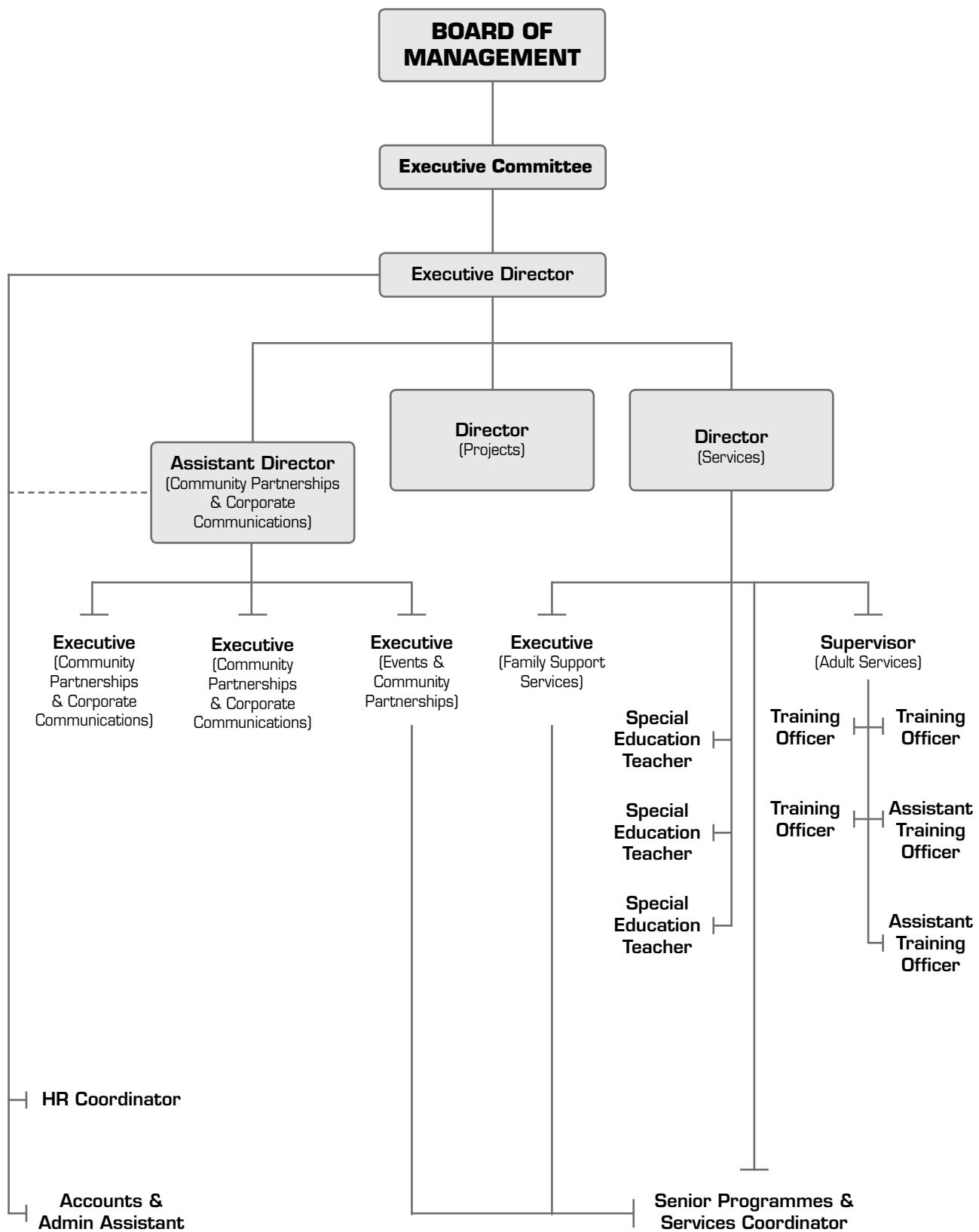
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Organisation Chart



DSA Staff & Instructors

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Director (Services) (from August 2012)
Special Education Teacher
Special Education Teacher
Special Education Teacher (from February 2012)

Community Partnerships & Corporate Communications

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Senior Programmes & Services Co-ordinator

Family Support Services

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Richard Tan (from February 2012)
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SEALs Swim School
Ng Mui Siang (up till December 2011) &
Adrienne Low (from March 2012)
Ong Chin Wah (until March 2012) &
Toh Wei Xiang (from April 2012)

Fusion Dance
Creative Dance
Speech and Drama
Visual Arts
Bowling

Drums & Percussion
Swimming (Mt Faber)
Yoga

Computer Maths Class

Committees

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Children Education Services

Education in Singapore provides differentiated opportunities and educational pathways for children to become productive and contributing citizens. For a child with special needs, an education appropriate to his/her developing abilities will build character and develop personality traits that support and encourage the maturing child to attain a better quality of life through:

- Living independently in the community
- Engaging in lifelong learning
- Contributing to others at home and in the community
- Becoming gainfully employed
- Develop a sense of belonging in society.

Aligned with DSA(S)'s mission and vision in promoting a holistic developmental approach to education for our group of young members, Children Education Services aims to promote a range of support services and programmes. Over the past year, the department has strengthened its current provision of services to foster closer working relationships to support a network of schools, pupils and their families. These include:

- Integration Facilitation Support Programme
- Education Enrichment Programme
- Outreach to regular schools



Active Learning - Listening and attending in the class.

Integration Facilitation Support Programme (IFSP)

The purpose of IFSP is to support the enrolment of children with Down syndrome in regular kindergartens and primary schools. These educational settings provide the children with the benefits of an appropriate education which meet their academic and social developmental needs.

In October 2011, one of our clients sat for Primary School Leaving Examination. Although he did not pass, he applied for and was accepted by Northlight School when the school year began. He subsequently transferred to APSN - Tanglin School in March 2012, where he is receiving an education appropriate to his academic abilities and social developmental needs. One other client in Primary 2 transferred to APSN-Chao Yang School in August 2011 as he was no longer benefitting from his schooling at the primary school.



Active Learning – Participating in class activities.



Learning Outcomes – Carrying out instructions in performance tasks.



Active Learning – Listening and responding.



Learning Outcomes – Writing topical test for Chinese Language.



Active Learning – Acquiring creative writing skills.

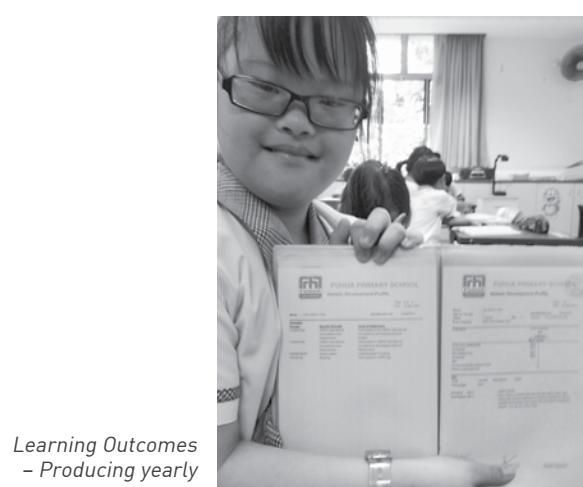
One pupil in Primary 2 received the Most Improved Student Award in her class for 2011 when she had significant academic gains from the first semester. Her overall aggregate for the year was 57.7%.

In January of 2012, six children started Primary 1 in various schools. They continue to adapt to life in school after initial difficulties. Striving hard to cope with the academic demands, three of them fared well in their Semester 1 assessment.

Two more children attending kindergartens were included and supported in the programme.



Active Learning – Receiving guidance from Learning Support Teacher



Learning Outcomes – Producing yearly results.

Children Education Services



Learning Outcomes – Shading optical answer sheet.



Learning Outcomes – Walking on the line.

More children are expected to be enrolled in the programme as parents who attended an introductory talk on IFSP have indicated interest to have their children supported in kindergartens and primary schools.

The schools and kindergartens presently partnering DSA(S) for the Integration Facilitation Support Programme (IFSP) for ten different clients are:

- Ai Tong School
- Anchor Green Primary School
- CHIJ-Our Lady of Nativity School
- Evergreen Primary School
- Fuhua Primary School
- Marymount Convent School
- St. Anthony's Primary School
- Barker Road Methodist Church Kindergarten
- MyFirstSkool @Jalan Sultan

The eight children enrolled in the primary schools follow the national curriculum and attend school as typical pupils. Two children are enrolled in kindergartens in preparation for transition to primary schools. These children need support to cope with academic demands and adapt to the social norms of the schools. IFSP offers a three-prong support to all stakeholders:

- Regular Schools/Kindergartens and their staff
- Typically developing peers
- Family raising children with Down syndrome
- Children with Down syndrome

Support to the Regular Schools, Teachers and typically developing Peers:

DSA(S) facilitates the on-going effort of the school, teachers and peers to include the child with Down syndrome in their midst. Efforts will include:

- Regular Communication, Discussion and Feedback
- Periodic Evaluation and Progress Report
- Workshop on “Supporting the Child with Special Needs in My Classroom”
- Advocacy Talks and Educating people about Down syndrome and their strengths and weaknesses



Socialisation – Taking turns to move props in Clayimation.



Socialisation – Eating and chatting during recess.



Outreach – Giving a Talk on Down syndrome to classmates of a client.



Outreach – Sharing their experiences with parents during an introductory talk on IFSP.

Support to the Family:

DSA(S) enables the family to participate fully in their child's academic and social development. Efforts will include:

- Timely Communication and Specific Feedback to manage rising concerns
- Regular Evaluation and Progress Report
- Giving necessary information and connecting them with different workshops and specialist services.

Support to the Clients:

DSA(S) helps the child cope with school life: academic and social. Efforts will include:

- In-class support during lesson time.
- Pull-out support for clients who need additional remedial attention.
- Individual tutorial support.
 - An Individualised Education Plan with ongoing evaluation
 - Adopt a child-centered approach in collaboration with parents and teachers



Socialisation – Dressing up for Racial Harmony Day.

Educational intervention that seeks to effect change in each child's learning outcomes requires sustained and effective team effort by all stakeholders. With inclusive thinking and child-centeredness, the team effort helps to sustain academic and social gains of each client albeit in different schools and kindergartens.

DSA(S) is appreciative of the stakeholders in the supporting schools and kindergartens who have made education accessible to all children including children with Down syndrome. They are accepted in regular schools and are benefitting from an education that is appropriate to their developmental needs.

Outreach to Regular Schools

DSA(S) seeks to educate schools, teachers and students on how mainstream education can include and support children with Down syndrome. Participation in exhibition and giving talks in schools and kindergartens provide opportunities to increase the receptiveness of schools towards registering and educating children with Down syndrome.

Adult Enhancement Programme

Since 2004 the Adult Enhancement Programme has grown to a total of 28 clients and shown quite a number of notable achievements from skills training to placing the clients for open employment. The programme is a 21st century contemporary programme targeted at young adults with intellectual disabilities who have graduated from special schools at 18 years old. It is a community integrative learning model which embraces as well as leverages on the community as a training platform. This learning model develops and nurtures its clients holistically, with a strong emphasis on self-determination and empowerment. It is a full-day programme that seeks to nurture our clients to achieve the following key areas:

- Work Activities (Work)
- Activities of Daily Living (ADL)
- Leisure Activities (Leisure)

AEP seeks to enhance the clients' skills in the above three areas so as to maximize their potential and to help them become more independent and productive in the course of their life. Clients in the programme are placed in four tracks of specialization, namely Open Employment/Social Enterprise (OE/SE), Project-based, Leisure-based track, and Retail track, respectively.

The objective of the OE/SE track is to provide open employment/social enterprise opportunities for clients through the capitalization of their strengths and interests. Training in this track focuses on vocational, social and interaction skills for possibly between 9-12 months, before transition to a more rigorous training platform, under the framework of a social enterprise (e.g. Thriftshop, Push Cart). At present we have transitioned 28% of our clients to work in the different industries like food and beverage, hotel and office sectors. In the thrift shop, 7% of new batch of clients were eligible for open employment. Apart from the clients in the OE/SE track, there were also 3.5% of clients who moved up from Project track to the Open Employment track.

The objective of the Project track is to support the Social Enterprise unit in producing items for sale as well

as provide a training platform for more structural activities to empower our clients with the relevant vocational skills. In terms of progress, we have transitioned 3.5% of our clients from Leisure track to Project track. The objective of the Leisure track is to enhance and facilitate socialization and interaction development among peers through recreational activities in the community. Training in this track focuses on interaction with others, participation in group activities, and engagement in self-directed leisure activities, with 7% of the clients joining in since the beginning of the year.

In terms of progress of our AEP clients, they have been progressively learning at least 2 new skills in each track. For the Project and Leisure track, 50% of clients are able to learn 2 skills taught and 40% of clients are able to sustain at least 3 of the skills taught.



Art and Craft Day



The clients doing two different activities



The clients went for interview at Holiday inn

Over the years, AEP has also been developing and creating handicraft for the purpose of sales training in push-cart activities. Aside from fridge magnets, the clients have expanded their products to bookmarks, coasters, hand phone charms and hair clips.

Apart from functional learning, clients in AEP are also encouraged to adopt a well-balanced lifestyle through various activities such as community sports (e.g. swimming and boxercise), cooking sessions, Kid's READ, and gym sessions on a weekly basis. Clients also participate in the Visual Arts programme conducted by Ms. Gill Darbyshire and Ms. Ranae Lee as part of their enrichment classes. In April 2012, they had an art exhibition entitled "Refraction" which showcased the art-works of our clients in AEP.

Social Enterprises

In alignment with the mission of DSA(S) to provide opportunities for lifelong learning, social integration, as well as advocate for equal opportunities. AEP set up a Pushcart business, Cart21, in December 2004 with assistance from Temasek Polytechnic. In June 2008, it established a thriftshop, SHOP@DSA21 which is essentially a shop selling second-hand and/or donated goods.

For the thrift shop, 75% of the first batch of clients have successfully transitioned to work in hotel industry, F&B and administration. Another 3 new clients were

transitioned for more rigorous training in the DSA(S) Thrift shop to undergo on-the-job training in retail operations.

Going Forward

While there have been a number of notable achievements during the year under review, there are key challenges ahead. They include increasing the enrolment of AEP clients to 40 by the end of 2013, further developing and sustaining SHOP@DSA21 which include aspects such as having regular goods donation drives, as well as continuous marketing of the shop to ensure its visibility.

DSA(S) is currently exploring with more companies for employment opportunities for our clients.



On-the-job training at Holiday Inn



DSA Client Hong An (right) at graduation Centre For Training and Integration programme

Enrichment Services

DSA(S) provides a continuum of enrichment services and co-curricular activities for members with Down syndrome from all ages and all walks of life. These programmes are based on the premise that persons with Down syndrome can attain productive, meaningful, and enhanced quality of life according to their interest, aptitudes, and abilities, within the least restrictive environment. Hence, the various programmes progressively enable the individual to fully realize his or her potential and talents apart from the academic curriculum.

PERFORMING ARTS

Dance

DSA(S) Fusion Dance Ensemble is led by experienced dance instructors Khairul Shahrin, Samantha Teo and Deneswaran Visanathan. Fusion Dance Ensemble has been wowing audiences with their varies events.

Besides performing at DSA(S)'s annual charity dinner Mystique V on the 17th of September 2011, the group also performed at the World Down Syndrome Day Buddy Walk 2012, held in conjunction with the St Patrick's Day celebrations.



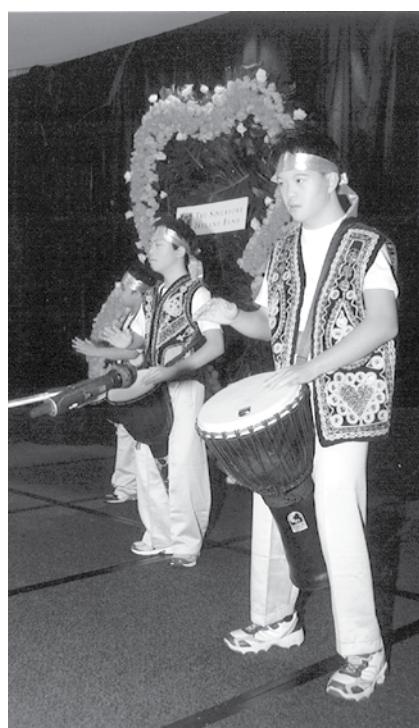
DSA(S) Dancers captivating the crowd on their performance at the World Down Syndrome Day 2012.

Drum

DSA(S) Drum Prodigy and Percussion Ensemble have grown over the years. Currently, there are 21 members in this ensemble. The Drum Prodigy has come a long way since it was started in March 2009. The programme continues to bring joy, enthusiasm and musical creativity to the drummers, enhancing their overall quality of life.

The drumming lessons emphasize on hand techniques, basic drum techniques, drum rudiments, speed and endurance, practice routines and playing at different tempos. The classes are conducted on Wednesday and Friday evenings. The members are taught by instructors Shamroz Khan and Sivaranjini Moorthy Raman.

The drummers have always wowed the audience with their splendid performances. Besides performing at DSA(S) events, they are also invited to perform at external events. Performing in front of an audience, allow them to showcase their talents as well as give them a sense of pride.



Drummers performing at the Singapore-Ireland Fund Ball 2011.



DSA(S) Speech & Drama group performing a play

Speech & Drama

Drama is an educational tool to facilitate students' physical, social, emotional and cognitive development. DSA(S) Speech and Drama classes are in the 10th glorious year this year.

Classes are held for the older members at the Potong Pasir Community Club on Tuesday evenings, whilst the younger ones enjoy their classes over two sessions at the DSA(S) Bishan office on Saturday afternoons. These sessions are conducted by our drama teachers, Ms. Jean Ng and Mr. Julius Foo. Our members find it enjoyable and interactive.



Rehearsing before the performance

SPORTS

Bowling

The DSA(S) Bowling members train every Saturday at the Singapore Recreation Club. Our bowling coach, Mr. Daniel Chang, together with DSA(S) veteran bowling coach, Mr. Tan Kim Joo, continue to raise the abilities of our members in bowling. This year a second bowling group was started in February 2012 at the Civil Service Club. The group consists of 10 DSA(S) members ranging from the age of 12-15 years old.

DSA(S) bowlers have also participated in the DSA(S) Charity Bowl and Family Bowl in 2012, interacting with the community, volunteers, friends and family.



DSA(S) members enjoying themselves at the Family Bowl 2012

Enrichment Services

Swimming

Swimming is great for helping develop muscle tone. For some people with Down syndrome, as soon as they are in the water, any developmental delays are completely irrelevant. Therefore, DSA(S) takes a strong interest in providing swimming lessons for our members. Swimming lessons are held at SAFRA Mt Faber on Friday evenings conducted by a trained swimming coach.

Computer Maths Class

Computer classes are held every Sunday in the computer lab at the DSA(S) Bishan office for 20 members. With the assistance of volunteers, our instructor, Mr Toh Wei Xiang, uses the computer software to teach members to improve their skills in mathematics in an interesting and interactive way.

KID'S READ

Kid's READ is a programme that encompasses dynamic reading activities and this programme seeks to encourage the participants to enjoy reading and improve their pronunciation, verbalization, and social communication. Members attend lessons conducted in two locations, Bishan Library and DSA(S) Bishan Centre, together with volunteer groups.



Kindermusik

Kindermusik curriculum focuses on the development of the child. It helps to build the spatial-temporal and reasoning skills as well as develop social and emotional skills.

Kindermusik taps on all these aspects, providing an energetic and friendly environment for our young members to learn and grow simultaneously working on their fine and gross motor skills. Kindermusik is about kids, parents, and teachers—coming together and having a great time! It's about helping you grow closer to your child and enriching her environment and her development.

Classes are held in the DSA(S) Bishan Centre every Saturday, with teacher Bernice leading the group in a lyrical fun adventure. It also plays an important role as a parent-child bonding session. With different themes and lessons every semester, our members always look forward to their Kindermusik classes.

Visual Arts Programme “Refraction” – One idea, Many expressions – 25th -29th April, & 2nd-3rd May 2012

Guests and visitors were given a visual treat at DSA(S) Second Art Exhibition held at LaSalle College of the Arts.

'Refraction'- art pieces that depict the inner expressions and creative signification decorated the sponsored walls of Project Space at LaSalle College of the Arts.

The exhibition was officially opened by Dr Yaacob Ibrahim, Minister of Information, Communications and the Arts. Dignitaries, friends, parents and caregivers of persons with Down syndrome were there to grace the event and support the DSA(S) artists.

The DSA(S) artists did us proud and we were able to raise substantial monies through a silent art auction, proceeds of which will go towards supporting the children and young adults with Down syndrome.



GOH Dr Yaacob Ibrahim touring the art exhibition

Yoga

DSA(S) runs yoga sessions every Sunday morning at DSA(S) Bishan centre. The lessons are conducted by Ms Adrianne Low. Yoga helps to improve coordination and muscle control. It also provides an excellent opportunity for parent-child bonding, as they work together side by side in the breathing exercises and movements.

AD HOC Programmes & Activities

DSA(S) collaborates with various groups of volunteers to organize activities for members with Down syndrome in an effort to promote social integration, interaction, awareness and community bonding.



Kite Flying at Jurong Central Park, organized by staff and volunteers from Victory Family Centre.



DSA(S) Members were invited to a soccer tournament organised by Sembawang Sports Club.



An outing to the Zoo organised by NTU Club

Family Support Group (FSG)

Family Support Group (FSG), has been providing services focusing on our mission statement when the year's events are planned.

DSA's Mission is to:

- o "Develop individuals with Down syndrome through lifelong learning and social integration."
- o "Support families through specialist services, information and education."
- o "Advocate for equal opportunities, quality of life and their social contribution to society."

FSG – Main Activities and Talks/Workshops for 2011 - 2012

FSG's events not only cater to persons with Down syndrome and their families but also the community at large. The events are targeted at different age groups; i.e. New Parents, Young Parents, Matured Parents, MUMs, as well as DADs. The nature of the events also varied from 'gather-together' sessions for new parents to Educational Talks and Awareness Talks. FSG continues to reach out to more families and as a result 710 participants attended its activities, talks and workshops during the year in review. FSG also reached out to 372 medical professionals, allied nurses and therapists who attended its awareness talks on Understanding Down syndrome.

FSG Talks/Workshops/Activities held within the year:

- DSA Family Bowling Day
- Culinary Workshop for students with Down syndrome (Matured)
- Parent Mentor Core Group Committee Get-together
- Discussion with New Parents
- Basic Key Word Signing
- What Better way for Early Intervention than through Music
- DVD "Down syndrome the first 18 months"
- Overview of Riding for the Disabled
- Oral Motor & Language (Mandarin)
- Baby Massage
- Discoveries: It's a party!
- I CAN! Communicate
- Reading & Spelling for children with special needs
- Junior Cooks Program
- Art Skill is Secondary. Applying Creativity is Primary

Educational Talks

- Mental Capacity Act Unravelled the power to decide
- Special Needs Trust Company (SNTC) Trusteeship scheme
- Speech is the most efficient & effective way to communicate
- Mediated Learning Experience

- Orthopaedics Conditions in Children with Down syndrome
- Mental Health Issues in Adults with Down syndrome
- Special Needs Trust Company/Special Needs Savings Scheme (SNSS)
- Key Word Signing & Gestures workshop
- The Power of EQ & Engagement to doing IQ – a talk by DanaKae Bonahoom
- Hanen: It takes two to talk program
- Kindergarten & Primary School Education – Is it for your child" [an introduction to Integration Facilitation Support Programme [IFSP]]

Culinary workshop



Education on Healthcare (Outreach/Awareness)

- Awareness Talks on 'Understanding Down syndrome' were presented to Medical Professionals, Allied Nurses, Therapists and students at Gleneagles Hospital
- KK Women's & Children's Hospital
- Thomson Medical Centre
- Occupational Therapy Pediatrics Special Interest Group Speech Therapy Department
- Singapore General Hospital - Speech therapy Department
- Nanyang Polytechnic - Speech Therapy Department

Local and foreign service providers, speakers and medical professionals were engaged and they shared their knowledge with parents and caregivers of persons with Down syndrome. The talks and activities enabled the families to have broader view of possibilities that persons with Down syndrome are able to achieve, learn and CAN do.

Through these events, parents and caregivers gained knowledge and learnt newer techniques of therapies, care-giving and activities.



Developing teaching materials



Good walking feet? Podiatrist at work



Key Word Signing & Gestures Workshop

Family Support Group (FSG)

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

1. *The Power of EQ and Engagement to Drive IQ! by DanaKae Bonahoom*

DanaKae Bonahoom, M.A., has been an early childhood educator since 1982. She holds a Master of Arts degree and teaching credential in early childhood special education.; Co-Director SmartStart Developmental Learning Center Founder Heartworks Intervention Services® DIR® Faculty for ICDL.



She is a tremendously insightful mentor and teacher. She has an exquisite understanding of where children are on the developmental ladder; and is able to chart a road map to supporting of the child.

During the presentation, she demonstrated through examples of what we all want in interpersonal communication, the gift of being heard and understood. She gave the participants the tools and strategies to look for, listen to, and to feel the love and excitement of the child.

The presentation captured the participants' attention, interest and the advice given leaves them with only forward motion inside and out as she teaches tangible lessons to help parents understand and relate better to their children.



Participants at the DanaKae talk

2. FSG's launch of a book "Opening Our Hearts" in November 2012.

We are proud to say that the book brings about awareness and advocates for equal opportunities, quality of life and social contribution to society.

Quotes:

A typically Singaporean book that creates awareness and understanding about what it means to receive a child with Down syndrome into your family and your world.

Editors

You will cry and you will smile through your tears as you read these plain, unadorned accounts by parents and family members who reveal a heart so big and resilience so strong that they can withstand several heartbreaks in one day and yet find joy in the blessings of daily living. I urge all parents and would-be-parents, doctors and nurses to read this book about love for all our children big and small, strong and weak in Singapore.

Suchen Christine Lim, Novelist & Children's Writer.



Mr Lawrence Wong, Minister of State for Education & Defence (right), at the launch of DSA(S) book "Opening Our Hearts" with DSA(S) Chairperson Ms Monica Lim and DSA(S) artist Judith Teo

Parent Mentor Core Group (PMCG)

A group of parents with passion and dedication, has been selected to form the PMCG. PMCG has been very busy throughout the year mentoring and giving assistance to new parents locally and overseas, e.g. UAE, Pakistan, Turkey, Tamil Nadu, Vietnam, Italy, and USA. New Parents came to know about DSA(S) through it's website or through their medical professionals. Some were here for short-term stay in Singapore whilst others were re-locating. Parent Mentors have been going out of their way to mentor many parents, made home visits and assisted them in providing the latest information and guidance and assured them that they are not alone in their journey.

Resource & Information Centre

The Resource Library provides members with reference books, books on early intervention, biographical novels, journals, magazines and children's books. Members have full access to borrowing these books. The website has a few book reviews which can be easily accessed through DSA(S)'s website. (<http://downsyndrome-singapore.org/content/view/20/82/>)



The Toy Library

The Toy Library houses toys which aim at promoting children's all rounded development. The toys can effectively develop children's basic skills because they fulfil the different areas of development in a child – oral motor skills, language skills, cognitive skills, manipulative fine motor skills and early Mathematics through engaging in a series of enjoyable learning process.

DSA's aim is to let children enjoy playing, learn from playing and develop their potential through exploration. To achieve this aim, there are 223 games, learning props, which include "Individual-learning series" and "learning-through-interaction series".



Fundraising & PR Events

New partnerships in fundraising

The year under review saw DSA(S) celebrating its 15th anniversary with old friends and new-found relationships in a show of support for its fundraising activities.

Despite a jittery market and recession fears, long-time supporters continued to stand by DSA(S) by giving generously while new partnerships were established in our efforts to reach out to a wider group of communities living in Singapore.

DSA(S) partnered with the Singapore-Ireland Fund, which had donated \$200,000, for setting up of a new Enrichment Centre for DSA(S). This led to the Irish community in Singapore coming full force to join in the World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD) Buddy Walk event, in conjunction with the St Patrick's Day celebrations in Singapore on 18 March 2012.

The St Patrick's Society in Singapore too showed support for DSA(S) by selecting DSA(S) as its beneficiary in the annual St Patrick's Society Ball held in March 2012.

Fundraising initiatives

Despite a challenging year, DSA(S) managed to raise a total of **\$838,269** from its key fund-raising events during the year in review, as against **\$670,760** for the previous financial year. Funds generated from fundraising events include **\$248,846** from the Mystique V Charity Gala Dinner held in Sept 2011; **\$175,566** from the WDSD event held in March 2012; **\$45,920** from the DSA(S) Charity Bowl held in March 2012; and **\$222,236** from the Charity Movie "Men In Black 3" held in May 2012. Other fundraising initiatives include **\$67,584** generated from the year-end Greeting Cards Appeal project, and **\$12,937** raised from a "silent auction" of artworks by DSA(S) members held in conjunction with an Art Exhibition "Refraction" at the LaSalle College of the Arts.

Fund-raising expenses incurred during the year was **\$129,982** as against **\$108,318** the previous year, showing a slight increase due to higher cost in logistics. Surplus from fundraising projects was **\$708,307** as against **\$562,442** the previous year.

Overall, DSA(S) managed to raise **\$1,526.41** for the financial year 2011-2012.

DSA(S) could not have achieved all this without the unstinting support of its longtime loyal supporters for our fund raisings events such as the Tote Board, Temasek Group of Companies, Lee Foundation, NTUC Foundation, Loyang Tua Pek Kong Temple, Millennium 3 Building, CB Richard Ellis, Marie France Bodyline (S) Pte Ltd, Trailblazer-T, Firetronics, Atlas Vending, Xali, Prosper Marine, SATS Staff Association, Pontiac Land, Focus Network Agencies, City Development, Sembawang Soccer Club, KFC, Keppel Club and many other individual donors who have donated generously and participated in all our fundraising and awareness events (as per our acknowledgement list in the following pages).

On behalf of all persons with Down syndrome, DSA(S) would like to extend a huge "thank you" to all our donors, sponsors, supporters, volunteers and friends for your generosity and for believing in our cause.

The Year Ahead

Although DSA(S) managed to raise over \$1.5 million during the year in review, it did see a shortfall of about \$300,000 as compared to the total income of \$1.88 million for the previous year. This can be attributed to lesser donations received due to uncertainty of the current global economy and increase in expenditure due to higher cost in running its programmes.

As a voluntary welfare organization, DSA(S) is dependent on the support and generosity of the corporations and members of the public to continue providing quality service at affordable cost.

As it embarks on another challenging year ahead, DSA(S) hopes to reach out to more corporates and organisations via their CSR initiatives as well as continue to seek support from our longtime loyal donors and corporate partners who have stood by us in our efforts to uplift the lives of persons with Down syndrome.

Mystique V Charity Gala Dinner 2011

DSA(S) celebrated its 15th anniversary in grand style by hosting the Mystique V Charity Gala Dinner at the Shangri-La Hotel on 17 September 2011, making another major milestone in its history.

Guest-of-Honour (GOH) for the evening was Mr Teo Chee Hean, Deputy Prime Minister & Minister for Home Affairs, who was accompanied by his wife. It was wonderful having Mr and Mrs Teo at DSA(S)'s 15th anniversary celebrations as the Minister was also the GOH when we celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2006.

The 15th anniversary celebrations included a cake-cutting ceremony with the Minister joining DSA(S) Board members and persons with Down syndrome for the occasion.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by DSA(S) Drummers and Fusion Dance Ensemble with singing performances by local artiste Faridah Ali and Korean couple Jae Hyeok Choi and Suhyeon Choi as well as an exclusive fashion show by Fashion House MANTRA.

The highlight of the evening was auction of paintings done by DSA(S) members with Down syndrome. Other auction items include carpets and high-end luggages. Bidding was intense. Special thanks go to Loreal for providing goodie bags containing high value perfumes.



Dancers rocked at the Mystique Gala Dinner



Fashion Show by MANTRA

It was one of the most successful fundraising Gala Dinner with DSA(S) raising over \$248,000 from this event, the highest amount raised since the first Mystique Charity Gala Dinner was held in 2007.

DSA(S) would like to express its grateful thanks to all our donors, sponsors, volunteers and supporters in making DSA(S)'s 15th anniversary celebrations a memorable occasion.

World Down Syndrome Day Buddy Walk 2012

Members of DSA(S) and their families and friends celebrated World Down Syndrome Day Buddy Walk (WDSD) 2012 by joining thousands of revellers at the St Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday 18 March.

Despite a heavy downpour earlier in the day, the WDSD Buddy Walk cum St Patrick's Day Parade drew a crowd of over 3,000, many dressed in colourful costumes. Participants included corporate representatives, students from various schools, individuals and the Irish community as they walked alongside persons with Down syndrome in a show of unity in diversity.



DSA(S) members at WDSD Buddy Walk

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The Parade was led by Mr Sam Tan, Senior Parliamentary Secretary for the Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Mayor of Central Singapore District. He was accompanied by the Irish Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, Mr Brendan Howlin, and the Irish Ambassador Mr Joe Hayes and his wife Mrs Deirdre Hayes, Ms Monica De Silva-Lim, Chairperson of Down Syndrome Association (Singapore), and representatives of various cultural groups in Singapore.

The colourful Parade stretched along the Singapore River as the crowd made its way from the Asian Civilisation Museum to the UOB Plaza, accompanied to the tunes of bagpipes, percussionists and brass bands. DSA(S) drummers provided the drum-rolls for the Guests of Honour.

Also leading the Parade was "St Patrick", a role that was played by DSA(S) Advisor Dr Balbir Singh, who looked resplendent in a green robe and green turban!

It is the first time that the WDSD Buddy Walk, which was first held in 2006, is being organised jointly with the St Patrick's Day Parade, aimed at creating greater awareness for Down syndrome by reaching out to a wider group of communities living in Singapore.

"The WDSD Buddy Walk this year marks a major milestone for Down Syndrome Association (Singapore) as we reach out to different communities and share and celebrate together as one community," said DSA(S) Chairperson, Ms Monica de Silva-Lim.

Mr Colin MacDonald, Chairman of the St Patrick's Day Parade Committee, said that it was also the first time that St Patrick's Day Parade, which has been held annually in Singapore for the past seven years, was being celebrated with a "worthy cause" in mind. He added that the St Patrick's Day Parade in Singapore is believed to be the only one in Southeast Asia.

The DSA(S)-Irish collaboration blossomed with a do-



Dr Balbir Singh as St Patrick

nation of \$200,000 to DSA(S) by the Singapore-Ireland Fund for the setting up of an Enrichment Centre to promote 'growth' and development of the person with Down syndrome, with the goal of achieving increased self-esteem and social integration by way of creative expression. DSA(S) runs a series of enrichment programmes for persons with Down syndrome to have the opportunity to develop their talents in music, dance, arts and other activities that will enhance and enrich their lives in a supportive and creative environment.

This year's World Down Syndrome Day celebrations was of special significance as it marked the





DSA Drummers at the parade

7th anniversary of World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD) and for the first time, officially observed by the United Nations.

Besides creating greater awareness for DSA(S), the event also helped raise over \$175,000 for DSA(S).

DSA(S) extends its grateful thanks to all persons with Down Syndrome, members of the Irish community, our sponsors, donors, volunteers and all participants for making World Down Syndrome Day celebrations in Singapore a huge success!



Irish Minister, Mr Brendan Howlin (left), receiving a painting done by DSA member, John Grace (right).



Fundraising & PR Events

DSA Charity Bowl 2012

In conjunction with the World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD) celebrations, DSA(S) held its annual Charity Bowl event on 24 March 2012 at the SAFRA Mount Faber Bowling.

The DSA(S) Charity Bowl event, introduced six years ago, is a platform for the community to integrate with persons with Down syndrome within a sporting environment. A total of 31 corporate companies came on board as sponsors, taking up a total of 34 bowling lanes at sponsorship of \$1,000 per lane.

Guest-of-Honour for the event was Mr Lim Teck Yin, CEO of Singapore Sports Council, who rolled the first ball to start the tournament.

The half-day event ended successfully, having met its main objective of integration with persons with Down syndrome through participation with corporate teams. Corporates had to form teams of four players comprising three corporate members and one bowler with Down syndrome. It also was an opportunity for DSA(S) bowlers to showcase their bowling skills.

Like previous years, SilkAir came forward readily to support the event by sponsoring five airline tickets to Bandung, Indonesia, as top prize for members of the winning team.



Corporate team with DSA members



Participants at the Charity Bowl

Guest-of-Honour Mr Lim Teck Yin presented the trophies to the top three winning teams as follows:

- Winning team - Trevose 1 with a total team score of 1,783 points (DSA(S) member: Quek Hong An).
- 2nd Place – Antiants with a total team score of 1,771 points (DSA(S) member: Wei Wen).
- 3rd Place – Price Breakers with a total team score of 1,587 (DSA(S) member: Wee Kim Hong)
- Each member of the winning team also received a SilkAir ticket to Bandung with DSA(S) bowler Hong An given two tickets so that he can go with his caregiver.
- Mr Lim expressed delight at DSA(S) organising such events and hoped to see similar integration programmes in other sports events too.

Although the main objective of the Charity Bowl event was to create a greater awareness for DSA(S) in conjunction with World Down Syndrome Day celebrations, and provide an avenue for community integration for our members, sponsorship for the event was heartening with over \$45,000 raised from direct donations and sponsorship of lanes, with expenditure incurred at less than 10% of income earned.

DSA(S) would like to thank our sponsors, donors, volunteers and all participants in making the DSA(S) Charity Bowl 2012 a great success!

Art Exhibition (Refraction)

The Art Exhibition is an important event, not just because we want to celebrate the achievements of our artists, but more importantly, because it allows us to create a platform from which our artists are able to showcase their artworks to the public.

None is more proud than the artists themselves on opening night and the leaps in self esteem experienced by each participant more than justifies the time and effort taken to get there.

With these views in mind, this year's art exhibition entitled 'Refraction' was organized in collaboration with LaSalle College of the Arts and held from 25 April to 3 May 2012 at the Project Space Gallery. On opening night, the atmosphere was in a festive mood with all of the participating artists, families and friends mingling with invited guests. In attendance was Dr Yaacob Ibrahim, Minister for Information, Communications and the Arts, to officiate the event.



Juggling performance

Throughout the exhibition, guests were impressed with the artworks on display, drawing compliments from many in the art circle in Singapore. Many of the artworks were sold at a silent auction held during the exhibition.

With funding support, we hope to continue having regular art exhibitions to promote and showcase the talents and expressions of our artists with Down syndrome.



Live performance



Dr Yaacob Ibrahim appreciating the artworks



Artwork by our DSA(S) members

Fundraising & PR Events

Charity Movie Screening 2012

DSA(S) received overwhelming support from our donors and sponsors for the Charity Movie Screening of "Men In Black 3" at the Cathay Cinema on Sunday 27 May 2012, with four theatre halls filled to capacity.

This is the first time that DSA(S) had to book four halls, with two smaller halls offered to corporates at a premium sponsorship for exclusive usage.

DSA(S) managed to raise over \$220,000 from this charity movie event, exceeding the target of \$150,000, making it one of the highest amounts raised since the event was first introduced four years ago. Funds raised will be directed to educational and enrichment programmes for children and adults with Down syndrome.

DSA(S) would like to thank all our supporters - the many donors and sponsors and the volunteers from UPS for making the DSA(S) Charity Movie another success event.

Special thanks also go to our Guest-of-Honour Mr Laurence Lien, Nominated Member of Parliament and Chief Executive Officer of National Volunteer & Philanthropy Centre and the Community Foundation of Singapore, for gracing the occasion.



DSA(S) Chairperson Ms Monica-Lim (left) with Mr Lawrence Lien and DSA(S) 'ambassadors', Samantha Teo (centre) and Anna Ow (right)

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Movie Screening Poster



Our lovely 'ambassadors' who welcomed the guests



Movie goers

Down Syndrome International (DSI)

DOWN SYNDROME INTERNATIONAL

Down Syndrome International (DSI) is committed to improving the quality of life for people with Down syndrome worldwide and promoting their inherent right to be accepted and included as valued and equal members of their communities.

The last year has been very eventful, especially with the United Nations resolution on World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD), being adopted by consensus during the plenary meeting of the Third Committee of the UN General Assembly on 10 November 2011. To commemorate this landmark event, DSI organised a well supported Conference "Building our Future" on 21 March 2012 at the United Nations.

World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD)

DSI is appreciative of everyone who took part in WDSD on 21 March 2012. The year also marked the 7th anniversary of WDSD and for the first time in 2012 this day was officially observed by the United Nations (UN). The celebrations were unprecedented and on a truly global scale and we hope that people with Down syndrome, their families, friends and everyone who works and live with them were able to share our message of inclusion and participation in society with as many people as possible, while enjoying the various events and activities.

World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD) Website

DSI re-launched the website www.worlddownsyndromeday.org for 2012, with new features, especially being able to register and upload details of activities and events to share with the global community. The WDSD website was able to publish 244 events and stories from 61 countries and on 21 March, 21,570 people visited the website - that is approximately 1 person every 4 seconds.

This is a remarkable achievement which everyone who joined in can take credit for! Through this event, we were able to create a single global voice for advocating for the rights, inclusion and well being of people with Down syndrome.



*The Down Syndrome International Board at the World Congress at Capetown, S. Africa, August 2012.
L to R : Paul, Rekha, Jessamy, Rhonda, Vanessa, Andrew, Penny, Bridgette & Dr Balbir Singh*

Global Video Event

Following the success of the Global Video Event "LET US IN!" in 2011, DSI launched a new Global Video Event for 2012 titled - "I WANT TO LEARN!". Down syndrome advocacy groups and organisations from 68 countries participated, up from 45 in 2011. On 21 March 2012, the Global Video Event was viewed 18,947 times, that is approximately once every 4.5 seconds, and this further helped us to create a single global voice for people with Down syndrome on 21 March.

World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD) Awards

Following the successful Awards in 2010 and 2011, DSI announced WDSD Awards again in 2012 to recognise people, groups or organisations who have strengthened and enriched the lives of people with Down syndrome or who have contributed to scientific advancement related to Down syndrome. There were many worthy recipients - kindly see website www.worlddownsyndromeday.org for details.

World Down Syndrome Day (WDSD) on Facebook and Twitter

For 2012, DSI launched a new WDSD Facebook Fan Page. This operates in partnership with the existing WDSD Facebook Group and the WDSD Facebook Event which was attended by 7,184 people in 2012. We have also launched a WDSD Twitter page which we welcome you to follow.

"Building Our Future" Conference at the United Nations - 21 March 2012

On 21 March 2012, self-advocates from Australia, Brazil,

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Peru, Spain and United States and specialists from every continent discussed inclusive education, human rights and political participation, independent living, how to work with the media and scientific research, among other topics, in the first celebration of World Down Syndrome Day at the UN Headquarters in New York. The Conference was organised by DSI with the sponsorship of the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations, Permanent Mission of Poland to the United Nations, UN Secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and UNICEF.

International Journal Of Down Syndrome

A peer reviewed special edition of the Journal on Developmental Disabilities [Canada www.oadd.org] which was produced jointly with Down Syndrome International, viz "The International Journal of Down Syndrome. This was made possible by the tremendous efforts of Prof Roy Brown and his editorial team.

Committee Of Persons With Down Syndrome

The initial initiative was launched on Facebook on 31 May 2012 as the forum for persons with Down syndrome. The response and participation was encouraging. Ms Esther Joosa advised that visual means be used to make the forum easier understood and more fun to participate.

Membership

DSI now has more than 430 members and about 9,100 contacts in the database. The membership has been more contributing and participative. This augurs well for DSI.

Outreach Programmes & United Nations (UN) Convention on The Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) & Scientific Advisory Research Group.

An assessment of the direction of the outreach programmes and the concept of the CRPD global project was undertaken and some preliminary discussions with potential recipient countries are ongoing. The Scientific Advisory Research Group was requested by UNICEF for its expert advice and comments on the Clinical Guidelines on Health Care for Persons with Down syndrome produced

by the Ministry of Health in Oman. DSI sincerely hopes that UNICEF will adopt these guidelines globally.

World Down Syndrome Congress (WDSC)

The 11th World Down Syndrome Congress (WDSC) was held in Capetown, South Africa, from 14 till 17 August 2012. It focused on the "Big Five" viz - Rights, Health, Social Participation, Education and Employment. It was a very successful Congress, organised by Down Syndrome South Africa (DSSA) and DSI, under the able leadership of Ms Vanessa dos Santos, the newly elected President of DSI. The proceedings reached out well to the various target participants. Through Facebook and the live Twitter feed, regular updates and discussions enabled a truly global participation.



Ms Jaspreet K Sekhon (left), a member of Down Syndrome Association (Singapore), was invited to make a Plenary presentation on Employment, which was well received. She also made the opening presentation at the Down Syndrome Medical Interest Group meeting. Dr Balbir Singh and Ms Esther Joosa were also active participants and made presentations too. DSA Singapore was also represented by its Executive Director Mr Moses Lee. The 12th WDSC will be held in Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India, in 2015 under the able leadership of Dr Surekha Ramachandaran.

DSI is, as always, very appreciative of DSA Singapore's support for its many activities and the Trustees Board thanks Ms Kristin van Burm for her many valued contributions and services rendered.

Dr. Balbir Singh PBM

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45	Mdm Charmaine Athaide	09/0783/2	95	Mr Foo Hou Jing	11/0953
46	Ms Yam Swee Ying	09/0797	96	Mdm Carmel Tiburtian	11/0955
47	Mrs Wong Sherlyn	09/0798	97	Mr Lim Chee Boon	11/0960
48	Mr Kwek We Heong	09/0799	98	Mrs Soh Hui Ling Wendy	11/0961
49	Mr Tan Jun Keat	09/0813	99	Mrs Choo Cassandra	11/0967
50	Mr Lee Wai Hon Benjamin	09/0814	100	Mr Choo Yit Lai Lily	11/0968

101	Mdm Cheah Sim Ean Ann	11/0973
102	Mr Kwek Peng Soon Benjamin	11/0977
103	Mdm Low Poh Wah Anita	11/0978
104	Mr Halima Charles Saguda	11/0979
105	Mrs Mary Grace Perez	11/0980
106	Mrs Sim Supa Simarat	11/0981
107	Mr Low Peng Nam Eric	11/0982
108	Ms Poh Li Jin	11/0983
109	Mr Ng Ban Huat Milton	11/0988
110	Dr Sin Joo Ee	12/0990
111	Mr Lim Guang Sheng Ryan	12/0991
112	Mrs Tan Janet	12/0998
113	Mr Wu Tuck Wai David	12/1003
114	Mdm Hon Yoke Cheng Mary	12/1005
115	Mr Lai Paul	12/1007
116	Mdm Tan Mee Kiang	12/1009
117	Ms Lee Pei Yun	12/1010
118	Mdm Gan Samantha	12/1011
119	Mr Yeo Kiat Meng Allan	12/1013
120	Mdm Lee Biyi	12/1014
121	Mr Koong Kok On	12/1017
122	Mr Lew Cheun Hong Darren	12/1023
123	Mdm Lee Hui Kuan Agnes	12/1024
124	Mrs Koh Guek Kiang	12/1025
125	Mr John Grace	12/1027
126	Mr Tan Boon Hwa	12/1029
127	Mdm Hui Choy Leng	12/1031
128	Mdm Cynthia Kusnadi	12/1032
129	Mr Tan Peng Kien	12/1033
130	Ms Chan Yi Ling Rachel	12/1034

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1	Mr Tan Zhi Wei Bryan Samuel	01/0370	62	Mr Rasaiah Eugene Selva	09/0759
2	Ms Lee Zhi Yan Michelle	01/0374	63	Ms Goh Shai Fern Clare Elizabeth	09/0761
3	Ms Lee Wei Ling Sarah	03/0442	64	Mr Wee Hong Zhe Kyle	09/0775
4	Ms Teo Yi Yun Samantha	00/0283	65	Ms Yik May Ling Avina Ester	09/0776
5	Mr Parekh Zubin	00/0303	66	Ms Tan Zi Hui Gabrielle	09/0778
6	Mr Toh Wei Kang Hansel	00/0316	67	Ms Lee Shu Min Grace Marie	09/0795/1
7	Mr Toh Wei Yang	00/0318	68	Mr Chan Yong Ze Chlive	09/0810
8	Mr Ng Jun Ming Bryan	02/0415	69	Mr Aqid Shahrudin Bin Daud	09/0823
9	Mr Lee En Ci Samuel	03/0465	70	Ms Ng Hui Bin Angie	09/0825
10	Mr Chia Wei Chong Shawn	03/0467	71	Mr Foo Yi Ren Gideon	09/0836
11	Ms Wee Soo Lin	03/0484	72	Mr Goh Jia Chun Shawn	09/0837
12	Ms Nur Hanis Bte Mohd Nazarudin	03/0487	73	Mr Cai Chen Xi Allan	09/0838
13	Mr Tan Yeong Qiang David	03/0489	74	Mr Oh Jia Xing	10/0840
14	Ms Koh Sze Chyi Ariel	04/0496	75	Ms Ng Li Shan	10/0842
15	Ms Koh Sze Yen	04/0497	76	Mr Lim Ming Hui	10/0843
16	Ms Nadrahah Binte Daud	04/0506	77	Mr Lu Tian Wei	10/0854
17	Mr Tan Jia Rong Marcus	04/0514	78	Mr Wong Jo Wayne Benjamin	10/0871
18	Mr Ng Qing Kai Zach	04/0521	79	Mr Yik Bryan Jo Wayne	10/0872
19	Mr Lim Jun Han Lleyton	05/0537	80	Mr Yeo Kai Jie Eugene	10/0878
20	Mr Cheng Ching Kang	05/0535	81	Mr Cheng Jia Zhe Jayden	10/0879
21	Ms Yeo Wei Xuan	05/0542	82	Ms Tay Kai Yang Dawn	10/0880
22	Mr Phua Yu En Joseph	05/0539	83	Mr Tan Zi Yi Christian	10/0881
23	Ms Chan Yun Xuan	05/0546	84	Ms Ang Kai Lin	10/0892
24	Mr Khanal Reuben	05/0547	85	Mr Oh Yu XuanTasha	10/0905
25	Ms Teoh Li-Ann	05/0548	86	Ms Tan Adlena, Mei Yi	10/0906
26	Ms Theresa Ann Ovinis	05/0549	87	Mr Nam Alexander Ambrose, Yu Xing	10/0907
27	Ms Goek Hui Xue Michelle	05/0553	88	Mr Chong Andrew Jonathan	10/0912
28	Mr Muhd Badrul Hafyz	05/0555	89	Ms Ng Cai Ling Melody	11/0922
29	Ms Teng Sok Sin	05/0560	90	Mr Ong Jovian	11/0923
30	Mr Tan Zhi Bang Kenneth	05/0569	91	Ms Shauna Tabitha Dorai	11/0925
31	Ms Kokila Khanal	06/0579	92	Mr Nathan Aaron Isaac	11/0929
32	Ms Chan Yun Xin	06/0590	93	Ms Chong Junan Sarah	11/0932
33	Mr Chan Jun Xi	06/0591	94	Ms Tan Tabitha Yee Teng	11/0933
34	Ms Ng Kai Li	06/0598	95	Mr Chew Jun Xuan Shawn	11/0941
35	Ms Teo Shui Shann	06/0606	96	Mr Rahul Sharma	11/0947
36	Mr Alhamdu Bin An'am	06/0631	97	Mr Ryan Joel Thomas	11/0954
37	Mr Tan Jun Hao Joshua	07/0649	98	Ms Rhea Dudeja	11/0956
38	Ms Ng Xin Yao	07/0650	99	Mr Mahesh s/o Goundarayyan	11/0957
39	Ms Lim Li Jun Nadine	07/0672	100	Mr Samuel Darryn Christovan	11/0958
40	Mr Yap Jin Hui Aaron James	07/0676	101	Mr Lee Jun Hui Nicholas	11/0959
41	Ms Lee Hui Janelle	07/0679	102	Ms Lim Li Tong Nichelle	11/0962
42	Mr Lee Xi Matthew Hubert	07/0681	103	Mr Chang Zhi Kang	11/0963
43	Ms Mok Hana Danial	07/0686	104	Mr Choo Jie En Jeriel	11/0966
44	Mr Low Xin Rui Josh	07/0694/1	105	Ms Hew Hui Min	11/0969
45	Mr Hui Chen Fung Joshua	07/0700	106	Ms Loh Chen Ling Reinie	11/0970
46	Ms Chua Si Hui	07/0701	107	Mr Loh Chen Huei Dionnie	11/0971
47	Mr Gan Oon Chuan John	07/0704	108	Mr Kua Ghim Leng Harold	11/0972
48	Mr Jherel Gift D. Navoa	08/0710	109	Ms Ow Xian Pei Anna	11/0940
49	Ms Xenia Cariza Carvalho	08/0712	110	Mr Verhulst Tristan Niels	11/0985
50	Ms Ong Kye Ting	97/0198	111	Ms Emma Grace Reed	11/0986
51	Mr Choo Jun Wei	08/0716	112	Mr Oh Mingjie Javier	12/0997
52	Mr Ang Chia Kai	08/0723	113	Mr Wu Jun Yew Joseph	12/1004
53	Mr Tang Zhen Hong Michael Paul	08/0724	114	Mr Wu Jun Rong Joshua	12/1006
54	Mr Koh Wen Xun	08/0725	115	Mr Meaganathan s/o Renganathan	12/1008
55	Mr Lim Thye Ann	08/0728	116	Ms Eng Leann	12/1012
56	Ms Lim Sophie-Anne	08/0730	117	Ms Sin Ruo Xin	12/1016
57	Mr Teo Xuan He Bryan	08/0732	118	Ms Koong Rui Ke Rayko	12/1018
58	Mr Chua Chee Hon	08/0735	119	Mr Wong Yoong Kai Elliot	12/1019
59	Ms Toi Hsieh Hui Joanne	08/0743	120	Ms Chan Hai Jie Cathryn	12/1026
60	Mr Yap Wei Hern Ryan	08/0748	121	Ms Lee Zhuo Ying	12/1030
61	Mr Tay De Sheng John	09/0756			

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1	Mr Wong Ling Zheng Brandon	00/0299	Mdm Lee Soh Mui	08/0747/4
	Mdm Loh Mee Chun Doreen	00/0299/01	Mrs David Mari Freida Aguila Guerzon	09/0752
	Ms Wong Li Ting Kerin	00/0299/02	Mr David Gerard Lorenzo Guerzon	09/0752/1
	Mdm Hui Chee Har Doris	00/0299/03	Mr David Wenceslao Teddy Sison	09/0752/2
2	Mr Ho Meng Huat Philip	01/0334	Ms Sabares Sarah Ensoy	09/0752/3
	Ms Ho Zhi Xin Carolyn	01/0334/1	Mdm Guerzon Rose Marie Aguila	09/0752/4
	Mdm Han Su-Ling Patricia	01/0334/2	15 Mdm Norliza Bte Rolan	09/0777
	Mr Ho Zhi Qiang Luke	01/0334/3	Mr Wasif Aniq	09/0777/1
3	Mr Lee Siew Kuan Francis	01/0343	Mr Ahsanal Kalam	09/0777/2
	Mr Lee Shi Xin	01/0343/1	Mr Wafi Ammar	09/0777/3
	Mdm Tan Lee Meng Vivian	01/0343/2	Mr Wabil Arfan	09/0777/4
	Mr Lee Wan Xiang	01/0343/3	16 Ms Szeto Pei Ying Jessica	09/0793
	Mr Lee Zhao Yong	01/0343/4	Mr Szeto Jonathan	09/0793/1
4	Mr Lim Ju Boon Gerard	01/0385	Mdm Chee Wai Lin Serene	09/0793/2
	Mdm Chow Wan Thonh	01/0385/01	Ms Szeto Gerry	09/0793/3
	Ms Lim Ming Jie Marianne	01/0385/02	Ms Szeto Bernie	09/0793/4
5	Mrs Nasreen Fadoo	02/0396	17 Mr Heng Siak Ling William	09/0819
	Mr Imaad Ali Fadoo	02/0396/1	Ms Heng Jing Wen	09/0819/1
	Mr Abdul Reza Fadoo	02/0396/2	Mdm Toh Kim Suan	09/0819/2
	Ms Heather Dina	02/0396/3	Ms Heng Kar Yee	09/0819/3
	Mr Rafiq Dina	02/0396/4	18 Mrs Teo Vivienne	09/0820
6	Mr Rajagopal Rajkumar	02/0411	Ms Teo Vanessa	09/0820/1
	Ms Arassi Maria Rajkumar	02/0411/1	Mr Teo Bernard	09/0820/2
	Ms Rajali Maria Rajkumar	02/0411/2	Ms Teo Victoria	09/0820/3
	Ms Monica Rajkumar	02/0411/3	Mr Teo Bennett	09/0820/4
	Ms Marianne Rajkumar	02/0411/4	19 Mr Lim Wee Leng Jeffrey	10/0846
7	Mr Cheung Chak Shi Hardy	06/0585	Ms Lim Li Xuan Lecia	10/0846/1
	Ms Cheung Seok Yee Lynette	06/0585/1	Mrs Lim Su Fen Yvonne	10/0846/2
	Mdm Chan Soo Chung	06/0585/2	Ms Lim Li En Leanne	10/0846/3
	Mr Cheung Cheong Chi Alexandra	06/0585/3	20 Mrs Niamh Clifford	10/0847
	Ms Cheung Seok Yan Sandra	06/0585/4	Mr John Clifford	10/0847/1
8	Mr Wang Kok Wing	06/0600	Ms Laura Clifford	10/0847/2
	Mr Wang Si Kwang Joseph	06/0600/1	Mr Colm Clifford	10/0847/3
	Ms Wang Si Ming Josephine	06/0600/2	Mr Darragh Clifford	10/0847/4
	Ms Wang Si Hui Marie	06/0600/3	21 Mr Tan Soon Seng Christopher	10/0855
	Mdm Teo Alice	06/0600/4	Mr Tan Jun Kai Dominic	10/0855/1
9	Mrs Lim Monica	07/0642	Mdm Ee Pei Shan	10/0855/2
	Ms Lim Rui Yan Marie Ann	07/0642/1	Mr Tan Kai Wen Ignatius	10/0855/3
	Mr Lim Mark	07/0642/2	22 Mrs Lee Hui Ling Caslin	10/0869
	Ms Lim Victoria Ann	07/0642/3	Mr Lee Joshua, Cheet	10/0869/1
	Mr Lim Timothy James	07/0642/4	Mr Lee Eugene	10/0869/2
10	Mr S. Iswaran	07/0653	Mr Lee Poey Heo Desmond	10/0869/3
	Mr Sanjay Robert Iswaran	07/0653/1	Mdm Foo Wai Ngoh Jenny	10/0869/4
	Ms Monisha C Iswaran	07/0653/2	23 Ms Carina D'Souza	10/0877
	Mr Krishan Z Iswaran	07/0653/3	Mdm Divya D'Souza	10/0877/1
11	Ms Lin Hat Tsu	07/0694/2	Ms Anya D'Souza	10/0877/2
	Mr Low Xin Kai Jeryl	07/0694/3	Mr Errol D'Souza	10/0877/3
12	Mdm Naveed Kamil Hasan	08/0731	24 Mr Chang Fatt Wee	10/0882
	Mr Hasaan Hasan	08/0731/1	Mr Chang Zhi Kang	10/0882/1
	Ms Ayesha Hasan	08/0731/2	Mdm Lau Wai Kuen	10/0882/2
	Mr Faizan Hasan	08/0731/3	Mr Chang Zhi Xian	10/0882/3
	Mr Kamil Faizan Hasan	08/0731/4	25 Ms Karishma Kannan	10/0899
13	Mr Lai Wen Kai Caleb	08/0747	Mr H Kannan	10/0899/1
	Mr Lai Szu Ann Derrick	08/0747/1	Mrs Kalpana Kannan	10/0899/2
	Mdm Lui Cheng Cheng	08/0747/2	Ms Kajol Kannan	10/0899/3
	Mr Lai Wen Le Joel	08/0747/3	26 Ms Chua Wan Zhen Stacie	10/0900

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	Mr Chua Tian Min Kenny	10/0900/1		Mr Yeo Rui Jie Zekiel	12/0992/3
	Mdm Sim Tow Khim Jenny	10/0900/2		Mr Yeo Ken Siang Leonard	12/0992/4
	Mr Chua Zong Chen Robbie	10/0900/3	40	Mdm Heng May Shiang Mary	12/0993
27	Mdm Ng Doris Dorothy	10/0909		Mdm Goh Jing En Kayleen	12/0993/1
	Ms Chim Chu Er Rachel	10/0909/1		Mr Goh Chee Young	12/0993/2
	Mr Chim John	10/0909/2		Ms Goh Rui En Charlene	12/0993/3
	Mr Chim Leroy Gabriel	10/0909/3		Mr Goh Hao Wen Lucas	12/0993/4
28	Ms Catherine Manuel Villar	10/0909/4	41	Mrs Sin Gwendoline	12/0994
	Mr Norizam Bin Khamis	10/0910		Ms Sin Ying Qi Erynn	12/0994/1
	Mr Najm Irfaan Bin Norizam	10/0910/1		Mr Sin Joo Siong Marcus	12/0994/2
	Mdm Zulaika Binte Aziz	10/0910/2		Ms Sin Ying En Elyse	12/0994/3
	Mr Niq Irham Bin Norizam	10/0910/3		Ms Sin Ying Xi Estelle	12/0994/4
	Ms Debi Susanti	10/0910/4	42	Ms Chung Sock Ching Emily	12/0995
29	Ms Filzah Damia Hannan Bte Hamim	11/0927/2		Mr Wee Eng Peng	12/0995/1
	Ms Farah Izzah Hannan Bte Hamim	11/0927/3		Mr Huang Yang Yi	12/0995/2
	Mr Muhammad Farhan Hannan Bin Hamim	11/0927/4	43	Mr Lim Theng Alex Bill	12/0996
	Mr Hamim Bin Hashim	11/0927/5		Ms Lim Zi Yin Elise	12/0996/1
30	Mr George Benjamin Ballard	11/0928/1	44	Mr Chen Weng Yew Ronald	12/0999
	Mrs Elaine Teale	11/0928/2		Ms Chen Jia Min Natalie Wanisia	12/0999/1
	Mr Alexander Ballard	11/0928/3		Ms Chen Jia Hui Sofia Ratchanee	12/0999/2
31	Mdm Ong Shannon	11/0942/1	45	Mdm Nophmas Kositchititana	12/0999/3
	Mr Chin Yinn Kang Ernest	11/0942/2		Mr Vivek Singh	12/1000
	Ms Chin Yi Ru Gladys	11/0942/3		Mr Ruhaan Singh	12/1000/1
	Mdm Choo Lei Tim	11/0942/4		Mrs Sonal Singh	12/1000/2
32	Mr Koh Wei Ming	11/0964/1		Ms Tuhina Singh	12/1000/3
	Ms Koh Trinie Emilia	11/0964/2	46	Mr Png Lai Soon Ambrose	12/1001
	Mrs Lim Sushan Christine	11/0964/3		Mdm Seah Siew Li Michelle	12/1001/1
	Ms Koh Emilia Trisha	11/0964/4		Ms Png Keat Yi Gabrielle	12/1001/2
	Ms Koh Trixie Emilia	11/0964/5		Mr Png Cheng Hao Nathanael	12/1001/3
33	Ms Fan Yu Fei Stella	11/0965		Mdm Choo Geok Neo Rosalind	12/1001/4
	Mr Wong Chee Keat	11/0965/1	47	Dr Sun Bing Feng	12/1002
	Mdm Tan Liang Choo	11/0965/2		Mr Qiao Yunhai	12/1002/1
	Mdm Liu Ying	11/0965/3		Ms Qiao Yongxin	12/1002/2
	Mr Wong Jing Heng Callum	11/0965/4	48	Mdm Grace Suriadi @ Anisa Tul Jannah	12/1020
34	Mrs Sheralee Mohamed Saniff	11/0974/01		Mr Fazrihan Bin Mohamed Duriat	12/1020/1
	Ms Nuur Faszerah Bte Ahmed Ouyuti	11/0974/02		Mr Ahmad Dzul Faniq	12/1020/2
	Mr Ahmed Suyuti Bin Mipot	11/0974/03		Mdm Taliha Bte Mahroon	12/1020/3
	Mr Muhammed Khair	11/0974/04		Mr Mohamed Duriat B Rashid	12/1020/4
	Mr Hifzil Iman	11/0974/05	49	Mr Alphieza Syam	12/1021
35	Mr Kyaw Kyaw	11/0975/01		Mr Kemal M. Rizky Avicenna	12/1021/1
	Ms Eatn Dray Oo	11/0975/02		Mdm Early Roza	12/1021/2
	Mrs Thutn Poant Poant	11/0975/03	50	Ms Twardzik Ching Chor Leng	12/1022
	Mr Aung Myat Min	11/0975/04		Mr Twardzik Ching Vincent	12/1022/1
36	Mr Chian Chieh Sheng	11/0976/01		Ms Twardzik Ching Ripley	12/1022/2
	Mrs Teo Siew Lee Sally	11/0976/02		Ms Twardzik Ching Zayna	12/1022/3
	Ms Chian Kai Qi	11/0976/03		Mdm Rosa Tuballa Barra	12/1022/4
	Ms Chian Kai Ern	11/0976/04	51	Mdm Luah Wan Yee	12/1028
37	Mrs Bizzoco Anella	11/0984/1		Mr Lim Wee Fong	12/1028/1
	Mr Alessandro Ceriani	11/0984/2		Ms Lim Ying Xin	12/1028/2
	Mr Pierangelo Ceriani	11/0984/3		Mr Lim Ying Zhe	12/1028/3
	Ms Aurora Ceriani	11/0984/4		Mr Lim Ying Kang	12/1028/4
38	Mdm Peh Serene	12/0966/2			
	Mdm Lim Lee	12/0966/3			
39	Mdm Koh Kwee Peng Adeline	12/0992			
	Ms Yeo Rui Zhen Ellyssa	12/0992/1			
	Ms Yeo Rui En Estelle	12/0992/2			



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Report of The Executive Committee Members

We, the undersigned Executive Committee Members, submit this annual report to the members together with the audited financial statements of Down Syndrome Association (Singapore) for the financial year ended 30 June 2012.

Executive Committee Members

The office bearers of the Executive Committee Members at the date of this report are as follows:

Ms Monica de Silva-Lim - Chairperson
Ms Patricia Han Su Ling - Deputy Chairperson
Mr Roderick Tan Tiong Own - Honorary Secretary
Ms Monica Kan Lai Lai - Honorary Treasurer

Auditors

The auditors, S B Tan & Co, have expressed their willingness to accept re-appointment.

Statement by Executive Committee Members

The Executive Committee Members of Down Syndrome Association (Singapore) is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the Societies Act, Chapter 311, Charities Act, Chapter 37, Recommended Accounting Practice No. 6 (RAP 6) and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards. This responsibility includes selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association as at 30 June 2012, and of the results, changes in funds and cash flows of the Association for the year ended on that date in accordance with the provisions of the Acts.

The Executive Committee Members have, on the date of this statement, authorised these financial statements for issue.

On behalf of the Executive Committee



Ms Monica De Silva-Lim
Chairperson



Ms Monica Kan Lai Lai
Honorary Treasurer



Mr Roderick Tan Tiong Own
Honorary Secretary

Singapore
27 August 2012

Report of The Independent Auditors to the Members of Down Syndrome Association (Singapore)

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Down Syndrome Association (Singapore)** (the "Association") for the year ended 30 June 2012, which comprises the statement of financial position, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in funds and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information. The comparative financial information for the year ended 30 June 2011 was audited by another public accountant whose unqualified report was dated 6 September 2011.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the Societies Act, Chapter 311, Charities Act, Chapter 37, Recommended Accounting Practice No. 6 (RAP 6) and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS"), and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorized and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair financial statements and to maintain accountability of assets.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements, and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatements of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements are properly drawn up in accordance with the Societies Act, Chapter 311, Charities Act Chapter 37, Recommended Accounting Practice No. 6 (RAP 6) and the FRS and so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association as at 30 June 2012 and the results, changes in funds and cash flows of the Association for the year ended on that date.

Report of The Independent Auditors to the Members of Down Syndrome Association (Singapore)

Report on Other legal and Regulatory Requirements

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Association have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

During the course of our audit, nothing has come to our attention to cause us to believe that:

- i) the donation monies have not been used in accordance with the objectives of the Association as an institution of a public character; and
- ii) the total fund-raising expenses of the entity have exceeded 30% of the total gross receipts from fund-raising as mentioned in the Charities (Institutions of a Public Character) Regulations.



S B TAN & CO
Public Accountants and
Certified Public Accountants
Singapore

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Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2012

	Note	2012 \$	2011 \$
Non-current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	3	29,326	42,053
Current Assets			
Trade and other receivables	4	39,477	225,898
Other assets	5	10,525	4,002
Cash and bank balances	6	2,533,988	1,995,956
		2,583,990	2,225,856
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	7	102,308	117,731
Finance lease payables	8	1,889	3,531
		104,197	121,262
Net Current Assets		2,479,793	2,104,594
Non-Current Liabilities			
Finance lease payables	8	(1,321)	(3,504)
Net Assets		<u>2,507,798</u>	<u>2,143,143</u>

Representing:

Unrestricted Funds - Accumulated Fund	11	<u>2,507,798</u>	<u>2,143,143</u>
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The accompanying notes form part of the financial statements

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 30 June 2012

	Note	2012 \$	2011 \$
<u>Voluntary income</u>			
Donations - Tax exempt		109,566	502,925
Donations - Non - tax exempt		113,063	152,153
Donations - Designated tax exempt		2,500	86,000
Donations - Designated non tax exempt		100,000	-
Online donation - tax exempt		45,049	26,479
Online donation - non tax exempt		1,987	3,636
Government grant		193,209	260,899
Membership fee		6,592	10,045
		571,966	1,042,137
<u>Funds Generating Activities</u>			
Awareness and events activities		-	52,680
Fund raising income - designated tax exempt	9	20,000	-
Fund raising income - tax exempt	9	763,697	546,491
Fund raising income - non tax exempt	9	54,592	124,269
Income from external events		1,300	1,220
Sales		15,804	13,440
Sponsorship		540	-
		855,933	738,100
Programme fees - charitable activities		91,395	100,042
Interest income		7,067	4,490
Other income		100	4,659
		98,562	109,191
Total Income		1,526,461	1,889,428
<u>Expenses:</u>			
<u>Costs of Generating Voluntary Income</u>			
Online Service Fee		2,144	-
<u>Cost of Fund Generating Activities</u>			
Awareness and events activities expenses		893	9,783
Fund raising expenses	9	129,982	108,318
		130,875	118,101
<u>Cost of Charitable Activities</u>			
Advertisement		8,918	5,976
Bank charges		1,893	1,558
Contributions to CPF Board		83,644	72,449
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	3	23,505	24,962
General expenses		2,012	3,216
Gift expenses		339	96
IT support		7,162	9,127
Medical expenses		3,198	2,573
Balance carried forward		130,671	119,957

	Note	2012 \$	2011 \$
<i>Cost of Charitable Activities (cont'd)</i>			
Balance brought forward		130,671	119,957
Property, plant and equipment written off		-	110
Postage and couriers		2,358	1,103
Printing and stationery		16,644	8,946
Programme materials		7,698	14,211
Refreshment		6,278	1,990
Rental of office equipment		3,226	1,768
Rental of facilities		2,026	1,958
Rental of office space		40,161	40,162
Repairs and maintenance		6,649	3,275
Resource materials		842	221
Salaries, bonus and allowances		634,158	579,186
Staff welfare		331	1,235
Subscription fees		899	2,888
Telecommunication		6,972	6,971
Trainer salary and allowances for programmes		84,563	93,439
Training and developments		11,422	18,102
Transport and travel		9,146	5,612
Utilities		12,037	9,580
Volunteer expenses		1,929	1,235
		978,010	911,949
 <i>Administrative expenses</i>			
Accountancy fees		18,593	25,534
Auditors remuneration		4,497	4,500
Impairment of receivables		4,100	3,900
Insurances		10,339	12,202
Newspaper and periodicals		220	235
Professional fees		13,028	902
		50,777	47,273
Total expenditure		(1,161,806)	(1,077,323)
Surplus for the year before taxation		364,655	812,105
Taxation		-	-
Surplus after taxation		364,655	812,105
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total surplus for the year		364,655	812,105

The accompanying notes form part of the financial statements

Statement of Changes in Fund

For the year ended 30 June 2012

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Accumulated Fund		
Balance brought forward	2,143,143	1,331,038
Surplus after taxation	<u>364,655</u>	<u>812,105</u>
Balance carried forward	<u><u>2,507,798</u></u>	<u><u>2,143,143</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of the financial statements

Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 30 June 2012

	Note	2012 \$	2011 \$
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:			
Surplus for the year before taxation		364,655	812,105
<i>Adjustments for:</i>			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	3	23,505	24,962
Interest income		(7,067)	(4,490)
Property, plant and equipment written off		-	110
		16,438	20,582
Operating cash flow before working capital changes		381,093	832,687
<i>Change in operating assets and liabilities:</i>			
Trade and other receivables		186,422	(139,659)
Other assets		(6,524)	(13,443)
Trade and other payables		(15,423)	(21,909)
Cash generated from operations		545,568	657,676
Interest income		7,067	4,490
Net cash from operating activities		552,635	662,166
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	3	(10,778)	(3,697)
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(10,778)	(3,697)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:			
Payment of finance lease payables		(3,825)	(3,237)
Net cash outflow from financing activities		(3,825)	(3,237)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		538,032	655,232
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		1,995,956	1,340,724
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		2,533,988	1,995,956
Cash and cash equivalents			
Fixed deposits		1,729,753	723,574
Cash and bank balance		804,235	1,272,382
		2,533,988	1,995,956

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1 General

Down Syndrome Association (Singapore) (the "Association") is registered in Singapore with its registered office at 17A Telok Blangah Crescent #01-270, Singapore 091017.

The principal activities of the Association are to develop individuals with down syndrome through life long learning and social integration, support families through specialist services, information and education and advocate for equal opportunities, quality of life and their contribution to society.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Management Committee on 27 August 2012.

2 Significant Accounting Policies

2.1 Basis of Accounting

The financial statements, expressed in Singapore dollars, are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Societies Act, Chapter 311, Charities Act, Chapter 37, Recommended Accounting Practice No. 6 (RAP 6) and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS").

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised, and in any future periods affected. Judgements made by management in the application of FRS that have a significant effect on the financial statements and in arriving at estimates with a significant risk of material adjustment in the following year are discussed in subsequent note to accounts.

The Association maintains restricted funds and unrestricted funds. Funds set up for specific purposes are classified as restricted funds. All income and expenses other than those attributable to restricted funds and common overheads are recorded in the unrestricted fund's statement of comprehensive income.

2.2 Changes in Accounting Policies

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year except for changes resulting from adoption of new FRS. The adoption of these standards did not have any significant effect on the financial performance or position of the Association.

2.3 New Standards and Interpretations Not Yet Effective

New standards, amendments to standards and interpretations that are not yet effective for the financial year have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. The Management is in the process of assessing the impact of these new standards, amendments and interpretations.

Effective date (annual
period beginning on/after)

1 January 2012

Revised FRS 12 - Deferred Tax: Recovery of Underlying Assets

2.4 Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Association and the revenue can be reliably measured and the following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue are recognised.

- (a) Donations and contributions are recognised in the financial statements as and when received.
- (b) Government grant is recognised in the financial statements when they are due and receivable.
- (c) Interest income is recognised as the interest accrues unless collectibility is in doubt.
- (d) Membership fee is recognised on an accrual basis.

2.5 Foreign Currencies

Items included in the financial statements of the Association are measured using the currency that best reflects the economic substance of the underlying events and circumstances relevant to that entity. The functional currency of the Association is the Singapore dollar. The financial statements of the Association are presented in Singapore dollars. Foreign currency transactions are translated into Singapore dollars at rates of exchange approximating those ruling at transaction dates. Foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities are translated at the rates ruling at the year-end. The resulting profits and losses on exchange are dealt with through the profit and loss account. Balances in notes are in functional currency unless otherwise stated.

2.6 Property, plant and equipment and Depreciation

All items of property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at cost. Subsequent to recognition, property, plant and equipment are measured at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised as an asset if, and only if, it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Association and the cost of an item can be measured reliably.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line method to write off the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:

	<u>Number of years</u>
Donation boxes	10
Office equipment, furniture and fittings	5
Renovation, computers and IT laboratory	5
Library books and library toys	5

The carrying values of property, plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

The residual value, useful life and depreciation method are reviewed at each financial year-end, and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss on derecognition of the asset is included in profit or loss in the year the asset is derecognised.

Fully depreciated property, plant and equipment are retained in the financial statements until they are no longer in use and no further charge for depreciation is made in respect of these assets.

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2.7 Cash and Cash Equivalent

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and bank balances that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

2.8 Employee Benefits

The Association makes contributions to the Central Provident Fund scheme in Singapore. Such contributions are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is performed.

2.9 Impairment

The carrying amounts of the Association's assets are reviewed at year-end to determine if there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. All impairment losses are recognised in the profit and loss account. An impairment loss is only reversed to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

2.10 Financial Assets

i) Classification

The Association classifies its financial assets according to the purpose for which the assets were acquired. Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition and re-evaluates this designation at every reporting date. The Association's only financial assets is receivables.

Loans and receivables

Loan and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets, except those maturing later than 12 months after the balance sheet date which are classified as non-current assets. Loans and receivables excluding prepayments are presented as "trade and other receivables" and "cash and bank balances" on the balance sheet.

ii) Recognition and derecognition

Regular purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade-date - the date on which the Association commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Association has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. On disposal of a financial asset, the difference between the net sale proceeds and its carrying amount is recognised in profit or loss. Any amount in the fair value reserve relating to that asset is also transferred to profit or loss.

iii) Initial measurement

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs except for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, which are recognised at fair value. Transaction costs for financial assets at fair value through profit and loss are recognised as expenses.

iv) Subsequent measurement

Loans and receivables are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Interest income on financial assets are recognised separately in profit or loss.

2.11 Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities include trade payables and other payables. Financial liabilities are recognised on the balance sheet when, only when, the Association becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. Financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value of consideration received less directly attributable transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

2.12 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Association has a present obligation (legal or constructive) where, as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Provisions are reviewed at each balance sheet date and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate. Where the effect of time value of money is material, the amount of the provision is the present value of the expenditure expected to be required to settle the obligation.

2.13 Leases

Finance leases

Leases of assets in which the Association assumes substantially the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Property, plant and equipment acquired through finance leases are capitalised at the inception of the lease at the lower of its fair value and the present value of the minimum lease payments. Subsequent to the initial recognition, the asset is accounted for in accordance with the accounting policy applicable to that asset. Lease payments are apportioned between the finance charges and reduction of the lease liability so as to achieve a constant rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability. Finance charges are charged to profit or loss.

Operating leases

Lessee

Leases where significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are taken to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

When an operating lease is terminated before the lease period has expired, any payment required to be made to the lessor by way of penalty is recognised as an expense in the period in which termination takes place.

Lessor

Leases where the Association retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset are classified as operating leases. Rental income (net of any incentives given to lessees) is recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

2.14 Financial Instruments

Non-derivative financial instruments comprise trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, and trade and other payables. They are recognised initially at fair value plus, for instruments not at fair value through profit or loss, any directly attributable transaction costs.

A financial instrument is recognised if the Association becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial assets are derecognised if the Association's contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets expire or if the Association transfers the financial asset to another party without retaining control or transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset. Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are accounted for at trade date, ie the date the Association commits itself to purchase or sell the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised if the Association's obligations specified in the contract expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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3 Property, Plant and Equipment

	Computer, Office Equipment and IT	Furniture and Fittings	Renovation	Donation boxes, Library Books and Toys	Total
	Laboratory				
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cost:					
At 1 Jul 2010	207,366	62,933	239,327	13,560	523,186
Additions	2,680	1,017	-	-	3,697
Disposal	(16,722)	-	-	-	(16,722)
At 30 Jun 2011 and					
1 Jul 2011	193,324	63,950	239,327	13,560	510,161
Additions	10,778	-	-	-	10,778
At 30 Jun 2012	204,102	63,950	239,327	13,560	520,939

Accumulated Depreciation:

At 1 Jul 2010	156,498	60,798	228,902	13,560	459,758
Charge for the financial year	20,198	615	4,149	-	24,962
Disposal	(16,612)	-	-	-	(16,612)
At 30 Jun 2011 and					
1 Jul 2011	160,084	61,413	233,051	13,560	468,108
Charge for the financial year	20,245	793	2,467	-	23,505
At 30 Jun 2012	180,329	62,206	235,518	13,560	491,613

Net Book Value:

At 30 Jun 2012	23,773	1,744	3,809	-	29,326
At 30 Jun 2011	33,240	2,537	6,276	-	42,053

Property, plant and equipment with net book value of \$4,894 (2011:\$8,426) was acquired by finance leases (Note 8).

4 Trade and Other Receivables

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Trade receivables:		
Third parties	22,840	170,647
Other receivables:		
Deposits	10,241	27,201
Tax-exempt donation	1,060	24,300
Interest receivable	2,236	1,525
Course fees	-	1,280
Cash advance	3,100	945
	16,637	55,251
	<hr/> <u>39,477</u>	<hr/> <u>225,898</u>

5 Other Assets

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Prepayments	10,525	4,002
	<hr/> <u>10,525</u>	<hr/> <u>4,002</u>

6 Cash and Bank Balances

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Fixed deposits	1,729,753	723,574
Cash and bank balances	<hr/> 804,235	<hr/> 1,272,382
	<hr/> <u>2,533,988</u>	<hr/> <u>1,995,956</u>

The rate of interest for the cash on interest earning accounts is between 0.40% and 0.875% (2011: 0.50% and 0.875%) per annum.

7 Trade and Other Payables

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Receipts in advance:		
	286	1,975
	-	7,143
	-	630
Accrual	<hr/> 102,022	<hr/> 107,983
	<hr/> <u>102,308</u>	<hr/> <u>117,731</u>

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8 Finance lease payables

	Minimum Lease Payments	Present Value of Lease Payments	Minimum Lease Payments	Present Value of Lease Payments
	2012	2012	2011	2011
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<i>Finance lease instalments:</i>				
- payable within 1 year	1,889	1,889	3,531	3,531
- payable after 1 year	1,321	1,321	3,504	3,504
	<u>3,210</u>	<u>3,210</u>	<u>7,035</u>	<u>7,035</u>

The lease term is 5 years and is non-interest bearing

9 Fund Raising Activities

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Art Exhibition	12,937	-
Charity Bowl	45,920	15,966
Charity Golf and Dinner	50,000	-
Charity Movie Preview	222,236	268,404
Greeting cards	67,584	-
ISG Asia Charity	-	63,921
Lotte Carpets Charity Auction	-	(2,300)
Mystique	248,846	187,571
NTU Fund Raise Project	2,013	-
Soccer Tournament	13,187	-
World Down Syndrome Day	<u>175,566</u>	<u>137,198</u>
	<u>838,289</u>	<u>670,760</u>
Less: Fund raising expenses		
Art Exhibition	6,059	-
Charity Golf and Gala Dinner	28	13
Charity Bowl	5,562	3,346
Charity Movie Preview	23,538	38,112
ISG Asia Charity	-	220
Lotte Carpets Charity Auction	-	-
Mystique	74,181	47,673
Singapore Ireland Fund	5,302	-
World Down Syndrome Day	13,900	18,954
Other events	<u>1,412</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>129,982</u>	<u>108,318</u>
Surplus from fund raising activities	708,307	562,442

10 Reserves

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Unrestricted Fund - Accumulated Fund	2,507,798	2,143,143
Restricted Fund	-	-
Total Funds	<u>2,507,798</u>	<u>2,143,143</u>
Ratio of Reserves to Annual Operating Expenditure	2.16	1.99

The reserves set aside provide financial stability and the means for the continued development of the Association's activities. The Association intends to maintain the reserves at a level sufficient for its annual operating expenditure. The Executive Committee Members review the level of reserves annually to ensure they are adequate to fulfill the Association's continuing obligations.

11 Unrestricted Funds

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
General Funds (Accumulated Fund)	2,796,054	2,259,100
Thrift Shop fund (Note 12)	(35,023)	(28,742)
Programme fund (Note 13)	(224,005)	(148,224)
Family support group fund (Note 14)	(3,748)	(23,362)
Adult Enhancement programme fund (Note 15)	(131,674)	(53,595)
Education fund (Note 16)	<u>106,194</u>	<u>137,966</u>
Total	<u>2,507,798</u>	<u>2,143,143</u>

12 Thrift Shop Fund

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Balance at beginning of year	(28,742)	(19,108)
Government grant	1,020	2,501
Sales	11,759	10,856
Sponsorship	45	-
Expenditure	<u>(19,105)</u>	<u>(22,991)</u>
	<u>(35,023)</u>	<u>(28,742)</u>

This represents revenues and funding into the social enterprise initiative as well as expenses generated from its maintenance.

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13 Programme Fund

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Balance at beginning of year	(148,224)	(90,420)
Awareness and events activities	-	52,680
Donations	1,000	-
Fund raising income	2,500	-
Programme fees	27,890	33,396
Government grant	1,020	2,501
Other income	1,400	1,220
Sponsorship	45	-
Expenditure	<u>(109,636)</u>	<u>(147,601)</u>
	<u><u>(224,005)</u></u>	<u><u>(148,224)</u></u>

This represents fund designated to enrichment programs which provides enrichment services and co-curricular activities for members with Down Syndrome from all ages and all walks of life which aims to attain productive, meaningful and enhanced quality of life according to their interest, aptitude and abilities.

14 Family Support Group Fund

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Balance at beginning of year	(23,362)	6,701
Donations	10	200
Programme fees	1,365	1,875
Government grant	134,919	77,010
Other income	2,884	-
Sponsorship	180	-
Expenditure	<u>(119,744)</u>	<u>(109,148)</u>
	<u><u>(3,748)</u></u>	<u><u>(23,362)</u></u>

This represents fund designated to provide social and emotional support through peer encouragement to enable families to cope with their disabled members.

15 Adult Enhancement Programme Fund

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Balance at beginning of year	(53,595)	(45,393)
Fund raising income	65,000	-
Donations	7,232	157,266
Programme fees	51,320	52,291
Government grant	1,020	2,501
Sales	1,161	2,584
Other income	-	250
Sponsorship	180	-
Expenditure	<u>(203,992)</u>	<u>(223,094)</u>
	<u><u>(131,674)</u></u>	<u><u>(53,595)</u></u>

This represents fund designated to provide adult enhancement programme.

16 Education Fund

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Balance at beginning of year	137,966	(64,398)
Donations	102,550	264,000
Fund raising income	2,500	63,921
Programme fees	10,820	12,480
Government grant	15,400	28,945
Other income	16	7
Sponsorship	45	-
Expenditure	<u>(163,103)</u>	<u>(166,989)</u>
	<u><u>106,194</u></u>	<u><u>137,966</u></u>

This represents fund designated to provide education and support services in the aspect of basic literacy skills (writing, reading), daily living, socialization skills and communication skills.

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17 Staff Costs

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Top three executives' annual remuneration (Including CPF)		
-Salary range below \$100,000	138,952	132,000
-Salary range \$100,000 to \$150,000	102,835	-
 No. of key executives		
-Salary range below \$100,000	2	3
-Salary range \$100,000 to \$150,000	1	-

18 Income

Funds mainly represent contributions received and receivable for fund raising activities and donation conducted during the year. Tax deductible donation income for the year amounted to \$940,812 (2011: \$1,161,895).

19 Operating Lease Commitments

The Association has commitment for future lease payments under non-cancellable operating lease as follows:

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Payable:		
- within one year	66,308	23,924
- after one year	202,415	-
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	268,723	23,924

Leases where the lessor effectively retains substantially all risks and benefits of ownership of the leased items are classified as operating leases.

Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The aggregate benefit of incentives provided by the lessor is recognised as a reduction of rental expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis.

20 Related Party Transactions

The Association had no significant related party transactions for the year.

21 Financial Risk Management Objectives and Policies

The main risks arising from the Association's financial instruments are liquidity risk, credit risk and foreign currency risk. The policies for managing each of these risks are summarised as follows:

Liquidity risk

The Association's financing activities are managed by maintaining an adequate level of cash and cash equivalents to finance the operations.

Credit risk

Credit risk arises mainly from the risk on counterparties defaulting on the terms of their agreements. The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents and debtors represent the Association's maximum exposure to credit risk in relation to financial assets. The Association monitors the exposure to credit risk on an ongoing basis and credit evaluations are performed on parties requiring credit over a certain amount. Cash terms or advance payments are required for parties of lower credit standing. The credit risk on balances of cash and cash equivalents is low as these balances are placed with a reputable bank.

Foreign currency risk

The Association is exposed to foreign currency risk because tournament entrance fees and the payment of Affiliation fee are denominated in foreign currencies. As the foreign currency exposure of these receipts and payments are insignificant, they are left unhedged.

22 Fair Values of Financial Instruments

The carrying value of cash at bank, and the amounts receivable and payable approximates fair value due to the relatively short-term maturity of these financial instruments.

23 Accounting Estimates and Judgement in Applying Accounting Policies

The Association makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Key source of estimation uncertainty

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the balance sheet date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below:

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment

The cost of property, plant and equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis over their respective useful lives. Management estimates the useful lives of this property, plant and equipment to be within 5 to 10 years. The carrying amount of the Association's property, plant and equipment as at 30 June 2012 is stated in Note 3. Changes in the expected level of usage and technological developments could impact the economic useful lives and the residual values of these assets. Therefore future depreciation charges could be revised and impact the profit in future years.

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Impairment loss on trade receivables

The Association evaluates whether there is any objective evidence that trade receivables are impaired and determine the amount of impairment loss as a result of the inability of the debtors to make required payments. The Association bases the estimates on the ageing of the trade receivables balance, credit-worthiness of the debtors and historical write-off experience. If the financial conditions of the debtors were to deteriorate, actual write-offs would be higher than estimated.

24 Comparative Figures

The comparative financial information for the year ended 30 Jun 2011 was audited by another auditor.

Mystique V





Paintings from the “Refraction Art Collection” by DSA artists

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