



My name is Mugerwa Ben, I am 26years old. I grew up from a project called Daughters of Charity founded by Sister Rose Muyinza who died in 2009.

Children of Uganda supported my primary and a brief vocational training where I acquired art and craft skills. Today, even though it is hard to live, the crafts skills enable me to at least get what to eat and purchase small materials to make more craft work.

Maybe if Children of Uganda supported my dream like it does for those from Rakai and the Dance troupe, I would be earning sustainably.

As a total orphan who doesn't know the whereabouts of his parents, I haven't got a chance to know the true meaning of life. With no support, no opportunities, no one to show me the right way but my two hands I do my small art work and parade my finished pieces in the old orphanage building. I wish to display my work in a studio but there is nothing like finances to do that.

I know that being a total orphan is not the end of one's life and this keeps me strong and believing that one day, I will live my dream, a dream of being Uganda's famous artist, to give back to society, to give opportunities to the social outcasts like me. Like am saying, it is all just a dream that can only come true if you LEND ME YOUR HAND. God bless you.