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National support for Human Rights showing

THERE has been great support from artists throughout the country for the *Artists for Human Rights* exhibition, which opens in Durban tomorrow.

Top South African artists, not only from Natal, but many from the Cape and Transvaal have sent interesting and fine works, which express the spirit of the 30 Articles of the Declaration of Human Rights.

All artists who shared the belief that recognition of the dignity and basic rights of all is the foundation of justice, freedom and peace, were asked to take part in the exhibition. Therefore the standard of the works on exhibition may vary greatly — from amateur to professional — but the spirit of the Declaration should shine through in each work.

The exhibition is being organised by the Black Sash and Lawyers for Human Rights.

Professor Hugh Corder, who lectures Public Law at Cape Town University, will deliver the opening address tomorrow at 2.30 pm, during the official opening, which will be in Exhibition Hall 6, Durban Exhibition Centre, Walnut Road. After that, the exhibition will be open there from 9 am-6 pm daily until December 18.

To commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Declaration of Human Rights other exciting events have been organised. A morning programme, starting tomorrow at 9am concentrates on children.

Under the guidance of 20 art teachers, 500 children living in and round

Durban are taking part. They will be given art materials and will paint their own impressions of "Human Rights".

Some of their work will be displayed in the main exhibition. Andries Botha will be in charge of the children's workshop, as director of the Community Arts Workshop he will lead the team of teachers.

There is also a drama workshop, which is co-ordinated by actress and drama teacher Di Vlotman. The children's workshops are held at the same venue, as well as at the Community Arts Workshop from 9 am to midday. Lunch will be provided.

From 12.30 to 1.30 pm a 10-man Black Choir, led and accompanied by Tom Scott, will entertain the children at the bandstand.

After the official opening of the *Artists for Human Rights* exhibition, a music programme will be presented from 3.30 pm until 6 pm.

Two musicians (both lawyers), Mark Harris, a Durban busker, and Ilan Fax, of Pietermaritzburg, accompanied by Chris Smith, winner of TV's *No Jackets Required* national guitar competition, will entertain guests.

Also featured will be the Melvin Peters (jazz) Quintet of Natal University and the Mighty Living Voices, a group of young singers from Cherterville.

Black Sash and the Lawyers for Human Rights have put together this full programme. It needs and deserves the support of all to make the day a great success!

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CHECKING out some of the *Artists for Human Rights* works is Technikon Natal fine arts higher-diploma student Christine Ross-Watt

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