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_ to get in touch with him and

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paintbrushes are busy in | the United States Information Service auditorium. Mr. Robbie Matshaba is allowed to use the premises for an art class of African and Coloured children from nine to 14 years

old. u

He teaches them without any charge, because he likes to- work among children and to share his knowledge. 405:

Recently an exhibition of work was held after the, first. few months of Mr. Matshabaâ\200\231s classes. Some of the. pictures will be chosen for an exhibition of child-renâ\200\231s art which is to go out from , New York on a round-the-world tour next month, and a few may be shown in the Smithsonian Institute in Washington.

SCHOLARSHIPâ\200\231

Mr. Hall Duncan came from the United States to direct an African art project for the World Council of Christian Education. He advertised for African artists $\hat{\mathbb{A}} @$

one of those who responded was Mr. Matshaba, who was then at work on $a \geq 0 \leq 30 \leq 30 \leq 30 \leq 35$

Through the Africa Art Project, Mr. Matshaba was given a scholarship and studied book illustrating by correspondence. At this point he became. interested in painting. â\200\2342, -.

 $\hat{a}\200\234$] was impressed by his sincerity, $\hat{a}\200\235$ said Mr. Duncan. . arc) wants to improve himself and to share with others... $\hat{a}\200\231$ These $\hat{a}\200\234$ classes fer children are pretty much his project. Ay epee ey

 $\hat{a}\200\234J$ was much: encouraged. to see some Soweto businessmen at the exhibition and to hear them $\hat{a}\200\230$ talk of trying to start something

'on the same lines. \hat{a} \200\235 ~*~

SAVED MONEY. .

In Canada and, the. United |
States, children put aside the
â\200\230 pocket-money they .earn for odd 4
| jobs and send it to buy materials
| for the art classes. One small
i girl made and sold sweets and
â\200\230donated the money. omen

The Africa Art Project encou--, rages art throughout Africa as: | ie creative activity for adults and ~ | children, for religious and educa-. tional programMeSeig <.-% oy ago | Mr.. Duncan,â\200\231 whose: stayin: - Africa is drawing *to.an, end,â\200\231 _working*~hard 'to eoriptete | research ~undertaking;®. together ~ with Dr. William Hudson, at the ~} University of the Witwatersrand.

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