

15 MINUTES OF FAME

MONDAY 26 OCTOBER 2015

1.40pm – 1.55pm

Gladwell Wambui Kahara

Gladwell Wambui Kahara was appointed by the Kenyan Government as the first Official Youth Representative to the United Nations. During her 15 minutes of fame, Gladwell will discuss Touchable Earth, the first digital book for kids where kids are the teachers. This award-winning project enables children to share aspects of their daily life including their school day, culture, family and playtime. It has been produced in 16 countries around the world involving over 500 children. The project teaches children about global citizenship and promotes critical thinking.

<http://www.touchableearth.org/media.html>



1.55pm – 2.10pm

Arttu Holappa, Alex Myllymäki, Emmi Stenius & Vilma Vakkala

This small team of students from Laanila High School, Oulu City, Finland, designed "Aaro's Adventure" a Mobile Application for UNESCO, that aims to raise awareness of the importance in preserving the world's oceans. The app brings together IT with game design and open data resources with the aim to create a more sustainable future for our planet. The Arctic City of Oulu and the Finnish Meteorological Institute are particularly invested in this game, due to the increased need to alert national and international attention to the unique sea and ice areas of the Baltic and the Arctic regions threatened by climate change.



YouthMobile 



Oulu Capital
of Northern
Scandinavia



2.10pm - 2.25pm

Jordan Tieb

Jordan Tieb is a young Frenchman and active member of Respect Zone. During his 15 minutes of fame, Jordan will discuss the importance of self-moderation online in order to reduce hate speech and cyber bullying. Respect zone have developed a label that individuals and companies can use on their websites in order to rally against hate. For more information about their work:

<http://www.respectzone.org/fr/blog/actualites/view/20>



TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2015

1.15pm – 1.30pm

Redeat Gebeyehu & Marvellous Gozirim Olakunori

Redeat and Marvellous are two inspirational young community activists from the Women in Science STEAM Camp (WiSci) who came together to establish the Girl-Up Club to empower and support girls. The decision to begin the club was based on Redeat and Marvellous' experiences struggling with gender stereotypes and issues of gender equality. The club aims to support and empower other young women dealing with the same issues and provides advice to young women and men in order to create a more harmonious world.



YouthMobile 

1.30pm – 1.45pm

Noah Picard Simon, joined by Ève Ferguson

Noah Picard-Simon is a 16-year old indigenous man from Northern Quebec who participated in the Students on Ice Expedition, an award winning initiative from the organization, Students on Ice, and UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere (MAB) programme, NordMAB. During his 15 minutes of fame, Noah will talk about his experiences during the expedition and his subsequent new-found understand and respect for planet Earth. He will be supported by Ève Ferguson, a member of UNESCO Canada's Youth Advisory Group and staff member at Mondiale de la biosphere Manicouagan---Uapishka (RMBMU).

For more information about NordMAB's Students on Ice program visit

<http://studentsonice.com/arctic2015/>

https://youtu.be/jP-Y_FcS3Ok



1.45pm – 2pm

Manuel Alejandro Olivera Andrade

Manuel is the winner of the 2015 UNESCO/Juan Bosch Prize for the Promotion of Social Sciences Research in Latin America and the Caribbean for his thesis on lithium. During his 15 minutes of fame, Manuel will discuss his fieldwork and the importance of effectively addressing problems such as climate change, biodiversity loss, unequal distribution of assets and human migration. He will pose a series of questions about the limit of theoretical knowledge, the importance of local knowledge and the creation of new paradigms in promoting the acquisition of social, natural and local knowledge?

[http://www.unesco.org/new/en/unesco/events/learning-to-live-together/?tx_browser_pi1\[showUid\]=31230&cHash=0380ad06b3](http://www.unesco.org/new/en/unesco/events/learning-to-live-together/?tx_browser_pi1[showUid]=31230&cHash=0380ad06b3)

http://www.unesco.org/new/en/social-and-human-sciences/themes/youth/sv13/news/manuel_alejandro_olivera_andrade_from_bolivia_winner_of_the_2015_unescojuan_bosch_prize/#.VgALkxvsncs



2pm – 2.15pm

Ajda Gracia Golob, Ana Reisman, Luka Kropivnik & Jaka Gruden

In this inspirational presentation, these young representatives from the Slovenian National Commission for UNESCO's Youth Platform, will discuss the importance of cooperation, connectivity, creativity and action. They will give concrete examples of inspirational projects, including the PrYde Project, to connect youth to issues they are passionate about and will emphasise the need to inspire and empower young leaders to strive for a better world.



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WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER 2015

1.15pm – 1.30pm

Derrek Bentley

In his 15 minutes of fame, activist and Co-Director of the One Night project in Winnipeg, Derrek Bentley, will discuss the importance of youth-led community projects that address discrimination and the need for a unified front in eradicating this at a local level. Derrek is a young activist that is passionate about ending homelessness in his home city of Winnipeg, organizing food drives and encouraging other local students to get involved.



1.30pm – 1.45pm

Simon Kuany Kiir Kuany

Simon is a young Sudanese man born during the civil war in South Sudan. Due to the fighting, Simon's family lived in the UN Kakuma refugee camp where he learned to read and write. During his 15 minutes of fame, Simon will discuss his exceptional experiences, his struggle with war, poverty and illiteracy and his subsequent emergence into education. Simon will also talk about his book, "Enlightened Darkness" which discusses his country of birth, his childhood, his experience as a refugee and his journey into education and advocacy.



1.45pm – 2pm

Gautam Yadav

Gautam Yadav is “A youth icon for the young LGBT community in India” whose work focuses on establishing an identity for LGBT communities. Gautam’s contributions range from being an HIV and Human Rights Activist, to protecting the rights of the LGBT and PLHIV community across the globe, to being a voice on many international forums. Gautam is one of 14 HIV+ people in Mumbai, India, who photographed their lives in order to combat stigma and prejudice. In December 2012, he participated in a week-long photography workshop to tell his story.

<http://throughpositiveeyes.org/india/gautham>



2pm - 2.15pm

Andrey Khamnuev

Andrey Khamnuev is a young graduate student from the Irkutsk National Research Technical University in the Russian Federation. During his 15 minutes of fame, Andrey will discuss the fuel and energy industry in Russia and the challenging ecological issues this presents. He will talk about his experiences as a young scientist working to find innovative solutions to the environmental problems these industries pose and the Youth Mining Leaders Forum that motivates young people to bring their strategic insight into the sustainable development of this industry.

For more information about the Young Mining Leaders Forum visit

<http://vseros.yminer.fondsmena.ru/article/47/> (in Russian)

