



EARL SPENCER, TRUDIE STYLER & KNOWLEDGE TO ACTION PLEDGE SUPPORT OF SOUTH AFRICA'S MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN AT STAR-STUDED GALA DINNER

Knowledge to Action helps raise over £750,000 raised at Ubuntu Education Fund Gala to launch first comprehensive paediatric HIV clinic of its kind in the Eastern Cape, South Africa

Wednesday 4th May: Bow ties, evening gowns and dancing shoes were the order of the day when the Knowledge to Action team including CEO Greg Secker and his partner Katherine Scott arrived to support the annual Ubuntu Education Fund Gala Dinner at London's Battersea Power Station.

Over 450 glittering guests gathered to raise funds for Ubuntu's new pediatric HIV clinic in The Ubuntu Centre in South Africa, giving Ubuntu's children access to the life-saving medical services they need to live healthier, longer lives. The evening was hosted by, Earl Charles Spenser, fresh from the royal wedding with his fiancée Karen Gordon. Speckled amongst a sea of London's top business personalities and sports stars were James Caan, Trudie Styler and French rugby player Serge Betsen.



A proud sponsor of evening, Knowledge to Action is dedicated to improving the quality of children's lives and pledged a large sum towards the pediatric clinic. Young Bulali Dyakopu, who has been with Ubuntu for 3 years on their scholarship programme moved the crowd to tears with her heart-felt speech.

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Bulali Dyakopu, said:

"I grew up in the dusty streets of Kwazakhele Township in Port Elizabeth, South Africa. In my young life I have seen so much sadness: children raped, alcohol destroying families - but with a pen in my hand and books in my backpack I still continued living in hope. In 2008, Ubuntu Education Fund found me, nurtured me and loved me. I was enrolled in their after school programme and Ubuntu gave me the most precious gift ever-choice- the one thing I didn't have in my life. I was given a choice to be what I want to be, where I want to be and who I want to be. With the exposure they gave us - I was able to decide now for my tomorrow. It is 2011 and I am now a journalism student at Rhodes University, one of the top university's in South Africa. I am a poet, a peer educator and the first person within my family to reach to university level and beyond. Ubuntu has changed me to be the change I want to see from the world."

BBC's "Flog-it's" exuberant auctioneer, Charlie Ross, was quick on the hammer and to the crowd's delight the evening raised an impressive £750,000 for the charity! The auction included an array of luxurious prizes donated by a host of Ubuntu's generous supporters such as Ubuntu Patron Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, Kevin Spacey, Springbok Rugby Stars Jannie and Bismark du Plessis, Jimmy Choo and Victoria's Secret.

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