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Redemption Sound Setters vacation pan camp culminates in Youth Graduation showcase

PORT OF SPAIN, August 3, 2025 – Seventy-five young musicians from across Tobago marked the culmination of weeks of hard work and musical discovery at the graduation ceremony of the Redemption Sound Setters 2025 Vacation Pan Camp, held on Friday.

Fostering a love for the national instrument, deepening appreciation among youth, and laying a solid foundation for the future of pan are key objectives of the Redemption Sound Setters Vacation Pan camp, now in its third year.

The three-week camp, which began on July 14, offered young participants valuable instruction in both theory and practice, along with insight into career and industry opportunities related to the instrument.

The Tobago participants, ranging in age from eight to eighteen years, were tutored by Shaquille Broomes and Dachele Morrisson, both musical professionals with a deep passion for and expertise in steel pan.

In April, the RBC sponsored Tobago pan side launched the Redemption Sound Setters Youth Academy with students from the 2023 and 2024 vacation pan camps. Building on the talent emerging from the group, they took part in the Pan Trinbago National Junior Panorama 2025 competition and placed eighth out of 22 youth orchestras. Additionally, 15 students from the Academy transitioned into the senior band for the 2025 National Panorama competition.

“We are particularly proud of Redemption Sound Setters’ ongoing commitment to community engagement through its annual pan camp,” said Marc Jardine, Vice President Commercial Banking and Managing Director, RBC Royal Bank Trinidad and Tobago. “This culturally focused, skill development camp empowers youth, celebrates our rich heritage, and is a testimony to RBC’s dedication to meaningful community development.”

Over the past two years, more than 90 youngsters have benefitted from the camp, with this year’s cohort adding to a growing legacy of youth involvement in the art form.





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