



THUTO MANYAMA

Thuto Manyama was born in Soweto, South Africa. He grew up on the dusty roads of Kliptown settlement. In 2004, Thuto joined Soweto Kliptown Youth (SKY) where he started learning gumboots dance. After ten years, he joined Kliptown Youth Program (KYP) and completed high school. In early 2017, he was awarded most dedicated member. Thuto joined City Year South Africa as a Service Leader, working in Naturena. He worked with youth, motivating, encouraging, and influencing their education. After City Year, Thuto joined KYP, where he teaches gumboots dance and is an assistant in the IT department. He enrolled at Richfield Institute of Technology in IT and studied software development. In 2021, he began an internship at KYP and obtained a degree in Software Development. At KYP, Thuto works in the IT department and teaches dance. His personal motto is "One person can make a difference. Keep your eyes on the prize. Every day is a second chance. Tomorrow is another day." Thuto has visited Thailand, Vietnam, Boston, Indianapolis, New Orleans and San Francisco where he did performing arts. His hobbies are music, video games, and sports, and his skills include mentoring and leadership.