Benefit Art Sale for special needs school in Cuba that was devastated by Hurricane Sandy

Nelson Da Costa is an Angolan Artist and war refugee who lived and studied in Cuba for 18 years. Part of that time was spent at the Anton Makarenko School which was recently devastated by Hurricane Sandy.

He emigrated to the United State in 2002 and received a Master of Fine Arts in 2008 at Tufts University and the at School of the Museum of Fine Arts. He lives and works in Boston Massachusetts.

To help his former school, Nelson is doing a special one night sale of some of his works. Proceeds beyond his expenses will go to the school.

**Wed. Mar. 20th 6 to 8 PM,**

**Encuentro 5, 9B Hamilton Place, 2nd fl**

(near the Orpheum Theater around the corner from the Park St. T stop)

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![The Fishman story, 2011, acrylic on canvas, 36 x 48' by Nelson Da Costa](image_url)
Students and workers from May Day Polytechnic and Computer School helped in the recovery of educational centers affected by hurricanes in the town of Pinar del Rio.

For example in a special school Anton Makarenko a brigade of 50 builders helped with unit maintenance and repair of schools of Havana have the support of 27 majors power the polytechnic vueltabajero May Day.

Winds blew off the roof of Anton Makarenko School, and carpentry was severely damaged, but between Havana and Pinar del Rio the center, which had been scheduled for repair in 2009, will be like new, even with inside bathrooms bedrooms. Dyan Valdés García, professor of Mayday Polytechnic, said that students work in what we have to do from scratch walls with spatula until load blocks, fibers and debris.

Angel Lopez Mirabal, provincial director of education, marked the decisive support recuperative tasks of students, workers and community, enabled by parent councils in the affected areas.

In Vueltabajo 627 schools, 937 were damaged, and are already recuperadas 135. Numerous alternatives are applied to the development of the school year and despite the scale of the damage only six still not working, but working to do so as quickly as possible, one of which is the secondary field Barroso Oto in Marbajita, La Palma whose roofs were torn and has an enrollment of over 500 students from the municipality and Bahia Honda.

Management meant that the sector priority country knowing that it largely depends on the stability of the family, especially those who suffered damage to their homes.

The province received 17,700 fibers of asbestos cement, 45 cubic meters and about four thousand gutters, media resources transferred to the FAR, the transport sector and the industry Vueltabajo country level.

Photo: James Calero
Students of Mayday Polytechnic support builders in Havana rebuilding Anton Makarenko special school, in the town of Pinar del Rio.