

SINGAPORE YOUTH AWARDS 2007 **MEDAL OF COMMENDATION**

NATIONAL YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT AWARD GOLD AWARD HOLDERS' ALUMNI



*“With the right attitudes,
people can harness their
passions to contribute
meaningfully to the
community”*

The National Youth Achievement Award Gold Award Holders' Alumni (GAHA) was conferred the Singapore Youth Award for Community and Youth Services in 2000 for inspiring its members to excel in giving back to the community. Since then, GAHA has continued to play an active role in the community and youth services, thereby living up to its credo of “Service Beyond Gold”.

GAHA recognises the importance of developing youth and offers a myriad of youth development opportunities, including regular leadership talks and international youth exchange programmes. GAHA has come up with new and innovative initiatives including the Young Photographers' Network. More than 10,000 NYAA participants also successfully broke the existing record for the Longest Human Domino Chain, helping to raise \$100,000 for charity in the process. These novel methods of volunteerism reflect its innovative and extensive efforts in community outreach.



Internationally, GAHA has helped to raise Singapore's profile. GAHA regularly represents Singapore at various events at the regional and international levels. In 2006, the team hosted the United Nations Environment Programme TUNZA South East Asia Conference in Singapore, which brought together youth leaders from ASEAN to share



and discuss environmental concerns. The team has also organised overseas youth community projects in ASEAN countries as well as Sri Lanka, Pakistan, India and China.

In 2006, GAHA received the prestigious Commonwealth Youth Award for its youth-elderly integration project “Bridging the

Generation Gap”. The Award recognises outstanding achievements by young people who develop their communities through innovative and sustainable development projects.

For its achievements, as well as contributions to the community and youth development at significantly higher levels after being awarded the SYA, the National Youth Achievement Award Gold Award Holders’ Alumni is conferred the Medal of Commendation 2007.