

## The Big Issue's Youth Day edition out today

<u>The Big Issue</u>'s Youth Day edition, out today, 1 June 2012, shows there is still a huge amount of positive news about the kids of 2012 despite youth wage subsidies, escalating unemployment, teen pregnancies, ailing education systems and substance abuse, which usually dominate headlines.



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"That's not to say there aren't problems plaguing South African youth or that these issues are ignored in this special edition," said editor, Melany Bendix. "But we chose to primarily use this edition to give both our teen and adult readers a deeper and more balanced insight into youth issues and to put the spotlight on some of the many young people making meaningful change."

The magazine also partnered with two youth media organisations, Live Mag and the Umuzi Photo Club, for additional content.

"Instead of us old timers in the editorial office reporting on what we think the youth of today think, we thought it was important to bring some real youth voices into the mix," explains Bendix.

The Youth Day edition is on sale at R18 from vendors in and around Cape Town and some parts of Johannesburg. Readers are offered the chance of winning a R43 000 trip to Europe for two with Busabout. For more, go to <a href="https://www.bigissue.org.za">www.bigissue.org.za</a>.

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