

Students told the steelpan can bring them jobs

STUDENTS WERE urged to take an active interest in the steelpan as it could possibly lead to some sort of employment opportunities abroad.

This bit of advice came from Pan Trinbago external officer, Keith Diaz, while speaking at the launching of the third annual Pan Adoption Competition at the Sunken Plaza, Gulf City Shopping Plaza, La Romain, last Thursday.

The competition is being organised by Commissiong Sport and Culture Promotions in collaboration with the South Central Region of Pan Trinbago.

It was started in 1994, by Anthony "Bike Doctor" Commissiong, and features steelbands in the South Central Region of Pan Trinbago adopting schools and training the students to play the steelpan.

The sessions will come to an end with a grand competition, which this year will be held in honour of Guy Griffith for his contribution to pan adoption, at the Pleasantville Community Centre on Saturday, October 5.

Griffith is the principal of the Pleasantville Junior Secondary School, now in retirement.

Diaz told the students that he was proud of the Commissiong Sports and Culture Promotions for the elevation done to the steelband in the South Central Region.

He said that other organisations should follow the efforts and project started by the Commissiong Sports and Culture Promotion and encourage more young people to get involved in the steelband.