



NIROX
FOUNDATION



Columba
Leadership
Activating Youth 2.0

The Nirox Foundation and Columba Leadership's come together to develop responsible leadership in African youth.

This unique combination offers the pedagogy of culture, conservation, community, and commerce to inspire young leaders from Gauteng's most disadvantaged communities and equip them with skills for success in life and work. Nirox will manage and service the leadership residency and provide access to artists and their work as well as guided nature tours on the Nirox grounds and adjacent game reserve. Columba Leadership will conduct six days of values driven experiential learning at the leadership residency. This is part of the two year program which includes community engagement and youth mobilization to improve schools, the environment and communities. The facility will produce approximately 700 young leaders per year including 200 hundred educators from 45 schools in Gauteng and surrounding provinces.



THE RESIDENCY:

The Residency will be located on the eastern boundary to the NIROX Sculpture Park. It will have access to the 15ha grounds of the sculpture park as well as access to the 1000ha game farm which lies to the north.

THE FACILITY:

- Accommodations units for 24 people including learners, educators, training faculty and corporate guests.
- Indoor dining and conferencing facilities.
- Fully equipped kitchen.
- Swimming pool.
- Outside learning areas.

BENEFITS OF THE PROGRAM:

- Responsible young leaders who successfully transition from school to tertiary education and/or meaningful jobs.
- Improved learning and teaching because groups of Young People recruit their peers to care about and improve their schools.
- Young role models initiate social and environmental projects. Youth lead solutions to youth challenges.
- Increase in the reservoir of young African artistic talent.

THE ARCHITECTURE:

This iconic leadership residency has been designed through the collaboration of LYT Architecture and Johan Bergenthuin Architects. The structure is at the leading edge of design incorporating rammed earth technologies as well as state of the art renewable solutions that make this development truly world class.

