



Chamwino Connect

“Culture is the essence and spirit of any nation. A country which lacks its own culture is no more than a collection of people without the spirit which makes them a nation.”—Julius Nyerere



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Chamwino Arts Center (CAC)

CAC began as a vision of Kedmon Mapana whose youth in Chamwino, Dodoma, Tanzania was marked by the community's regular and enthusiastic practice of Ngoma.

Ngoma is the tradition of musical expression with singing, drumming, dance, and storytelling which has been a key part of Wagogo life for centuries. Ngoma transmits history, values, education and identity from older to younger generations. Every participant is involved in its creation and performance, building community.

The impact of Western culture has eroded this culturally powerful multi-arts expressive opportunity, but for over 10 years, annual Wagogo Festivals have fostered the life of the tradition. The vision of Wagogo culture bearers providing residencies in the Chamwino Arts Center is nearing realization.

New Construction

In 2020, CAC purchased land and launched construction of a building for administration, conference and instruction. This message is intended to express appreciation for past donations that have made this possible. Now, CAC has official status of an NGO which allows Tanzanians to be involved. Your continued support in this transitional blooming of the cultural center would be deeply appreciated. Use the links below the photos to browse through the CAC and CC websites to see what your donations have supported!



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