



2021 Annual Report

us on this Journey.

# Founder's Message

2021 was a year of tremendous growth and evolution. ZRISE was formally registered on the 28th of September, 2021 and we have made strides towards building a sustainable company dedicated to the growth of the Caribbean's Cultural and Creative Industries (CCI). Within this our first formal year of operations, we have secured partnerships that have put us under the gaze of major investors and financial institutions, both regionally and internationally. We have leveraged data

from our community to inform the drafting of legislations

and all the interdependent industries. ZRISE is actively

positioning itself as an innovative force that will bring new

geared towards strengthening the creative sector of Jamaica

light to the Caribbean CCIs. The future is optimistic and we look

forward to the continued support of everyone who has joined

Jean-Claude Walters Dunn Founder



### Our Purpose

### Vision

We envision creating a centralized ecosystem of digital tools to promote the integrated growth of the Caribbean's Cultural and Creative sector.

### Mission

Connect creators with the knowledge, network and skills to build sustainable creative careers.

### **Core Values**

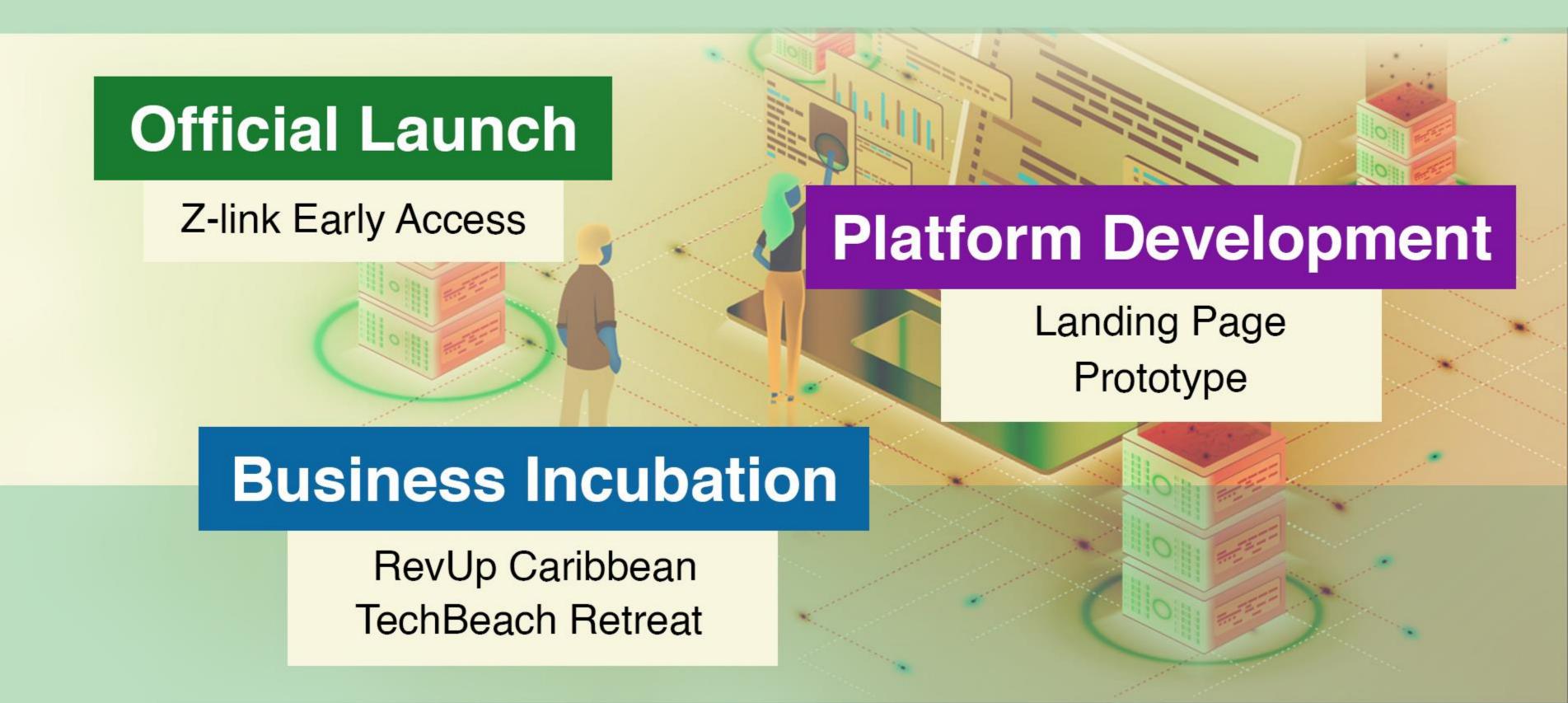
Be Authentic

Create with Heart

Break Barriers



# Performance Highlights

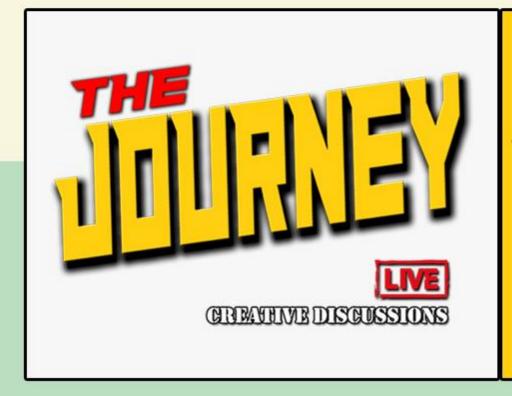




## **About the Company**

### We nurture the ecosystem of Caribbean creators

ZRISE started as a movement by creatives to empower creatives. Today, this movement has evolved into a company dedicated to nurturing the ecosystem of Caribbean creators through different digital platforms. To date, we have launched two (2) platforms towards this end.



The Journey is a web series empowering creators on how to Manage, Market & Monetize creativity



Z-link is a marketplace where brands can connect and collaborate with the ideal Caribbean creatives for any campaign.



### The Launch



Z-link

ZRISE to launch AI - powered platform to connect the Ecosystem of Caribbean Creators

From left: Jean-Claude Walters Dunn (Founder) engages Alexia James - Trinidadian globally recognized digital strategist - and Bonito Thompson - Jamaican digital artist & NFT creator - about how Caribbean creators can earn using NFTs.





The launch saw the opening of the early access program for Z-link along with discussions around the different ways for Caribbean creators to monetize their creativity. This included dialogue about NFTs and other digital trends





### **Business Incubation**





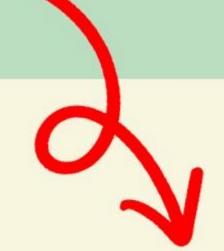
ZRISE is a member of RevUp Caribbean's first cohort of startups. The team benefitted from 5-months of rigorous training and mentorship from local and international business experts about the disciplines required to successfully scale a startup.



Sandra Glasgow Angel Investor & Business Mentor



Maria Marenco World Bussiness Angel Investment Forum Mentor





ZRISE is a member of the TBR Lab's startup accelerator program. TechBeach Retreat (TBR) is the Caribbean's premier technology ecosystem that connects startups to investors and opportunities for scale. The program provides lifelong mentorship and guidance to startups in their program.

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Spotlight on Startups: New Startups Making Waves in Unconventional...



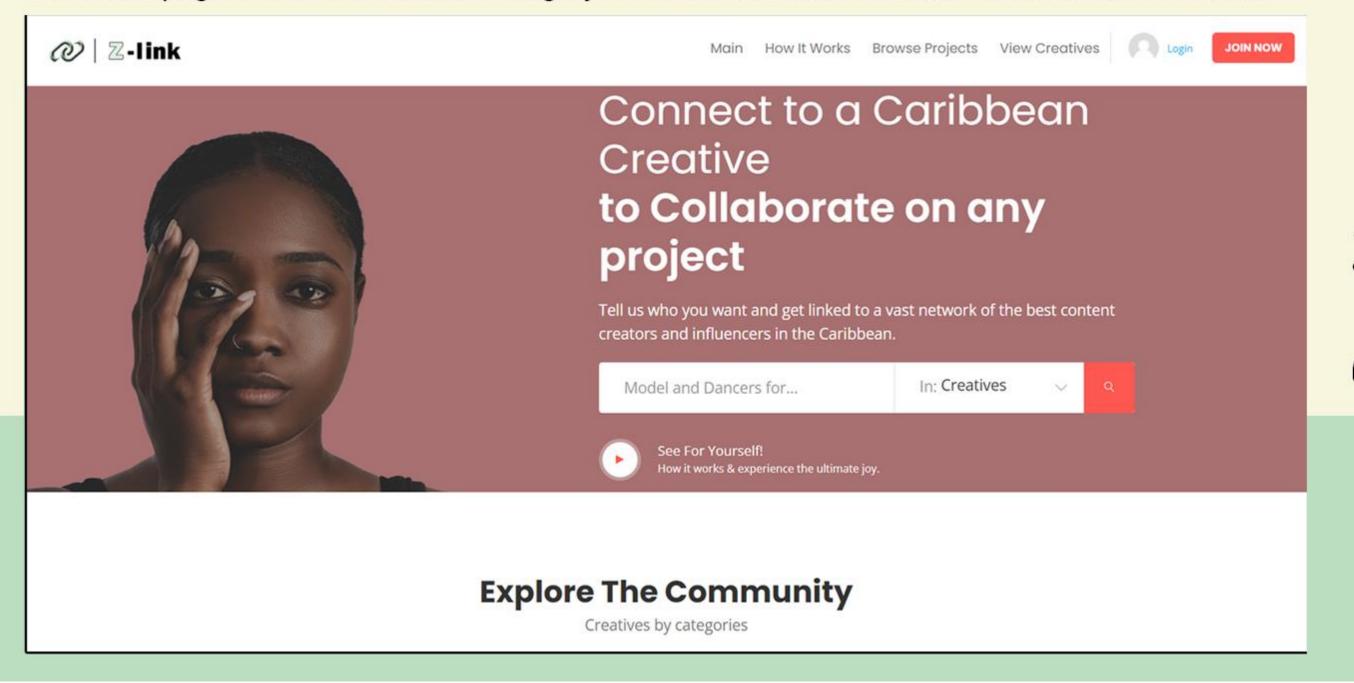
Every successful startup begins with a problem that needs to be solved. Some issues are glaringly obvious, while others go...

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# Platform Development

Screenshot of the homepage of the first build of the Z-link platform. From this page a user can select a category of creatives, such as models or dancers, to search.





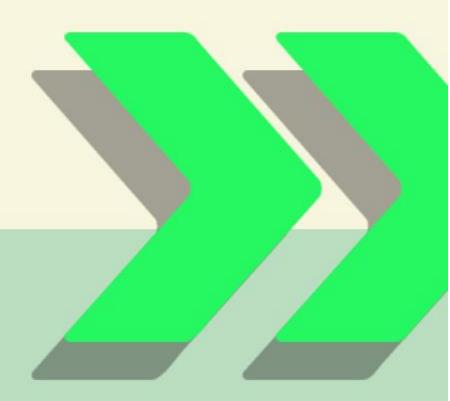
# SEARCH CATEGORIES

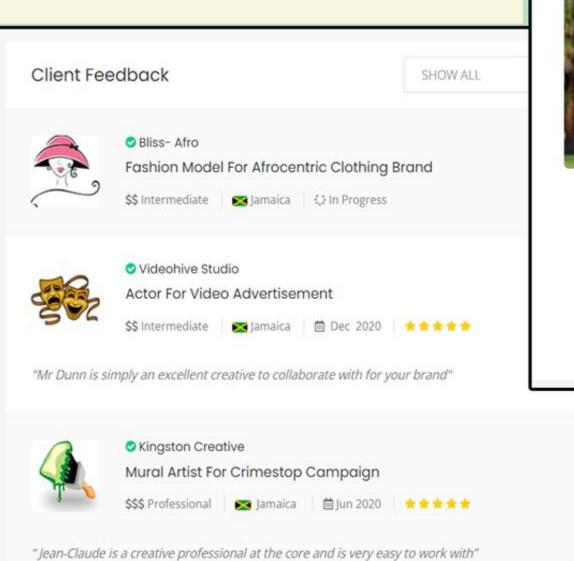


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	Jean-Claude Walters Dunn	****
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Digital Media/News Outlets		
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Visual Arts And Design	Young Visual Artist and Fashion Model who has a love for Jamaica'	's rich cultural and creative legacy.
Performing Arts	Fashion Visual Artist Instagram Culture Mod	del Micro-Influencer
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Screenshot of a page displaying results based on compatibility ratings and relevance. Users can narrow results by location, category and other parameters.

# SELECT BEST MATCH





**LOAD MORE** 



### Jean-Claude Walters Dunn

9.5/10.00 Compatibiliy Rating Z-linked since May 30, 2020

Report User

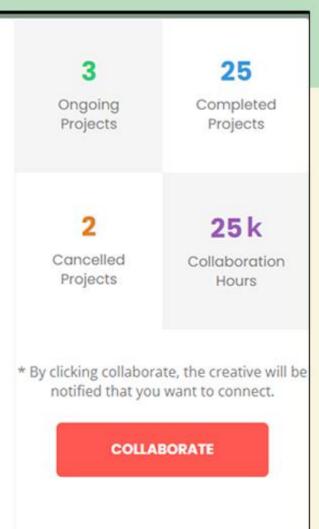
### Visual Artist, Fashion Model, Cultural Enthusiast.

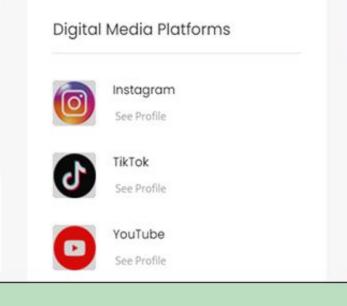
■ \$70.00 / hr Save

Jean-Claude Walters Dunn is a Jamaican with a passion for the culture and the creative arts. He is a graduate of the prestigious Wolmer's Boys' High School and is currently pursuing a BSc in Marketing.

I am a young art enthusiast, visual artist, graphic designer and youth advocate who takes pleasure in learning and interacting with people from different backgrounds. I strive for continual growth and improvement and take pride in gaining knowledge

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Users can also find further details about creators inclusive of statistics, ratings and reviews about collaboration history, social reach and social engagement. Furthermore, creators are able to add pictures, and details about values, styles and interests to customize their display profiles.

# Leadership Team



### Jean-Claude Walters Dunn

(Founder, Head of Marketing)

Jean-Claude is the Founder of ZRISE.

He is a content creator, visual artist with an avid interest in the cultural and creative industries of the Caribbean. He holds certifications in project management, video production, social media management and is actively studying for a BSc. in Marketing. He also has an aptitude for website design, graphic design, video editing and other media related disciplines.



### Trae-Ana Wilkins

(Human Resources & Community Manager)

Trae-Ana serves primarily as
the manager for the ZRISE community
and is the hostess of 'The Journey' - the
web-series. As a model and a published
author -along with her other creative pursuits Trae-Ana is an active member of the creative
sector. She holds certifications in customer
service and is currently pursuing a BA in
Journalism. Trae-Ana is an advocate for
persons with disabilities and has a passion
for female empowerment.



### **Shemar Grant**

(Head of Media Production)

Shemar is a cinematographer and multimedia producer with 5+ active years in the media industry. He has done extensive work with companies such as the Jamaica Stock Exchange and has a media portfolio of productions spanning from music videos, video adverts, and so much more. His primary responsibility includes coordinating and managing the media production components of ZRISE projects.



### **Tamarnie Tavares**

(Head of Administration)

Tamarnie holds a BSc. in Operations
Management and Management Studies.
With experience in project management
and as a past promotions supervisor,
Tamarinie is well equipped to manage her
responsibilities of filing and documenting
key information about the operations
of ZRISE. She also brings her keen
insights and skills to the project
management capabilities of the
company.

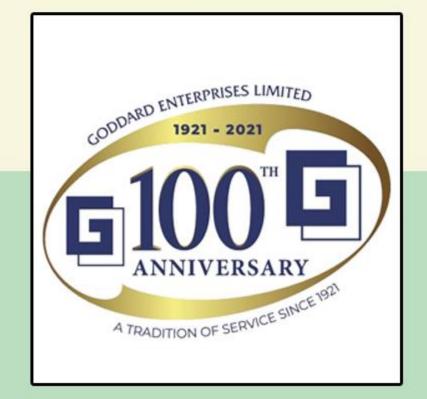


# **Key Partnerships**

The growth and evolution of ZRISE was possible due to the guidance and support of some key organizations, whether through invaluable mentorship, the provision of financial grants or the provision of services in kind. We are grateful and we look forward to the continued support as we continue on our Journey.













### #Forward

ZRISE will continue to move **#FORWARD**. The key milestones for gauging our progress include:

- Release 1st functional MVP of Z-link
- Create Board of Directors/ Advisory Board
  - Begin revenue generation through
- Z-link platform



ZRISE gears up to raise Angel Investment to build its Creator Marketplace for the Caribbean Region



# Highlights from our Journey









A screen grab of Trae-Ana Wilkins in the production of promotional content for ZRISE.

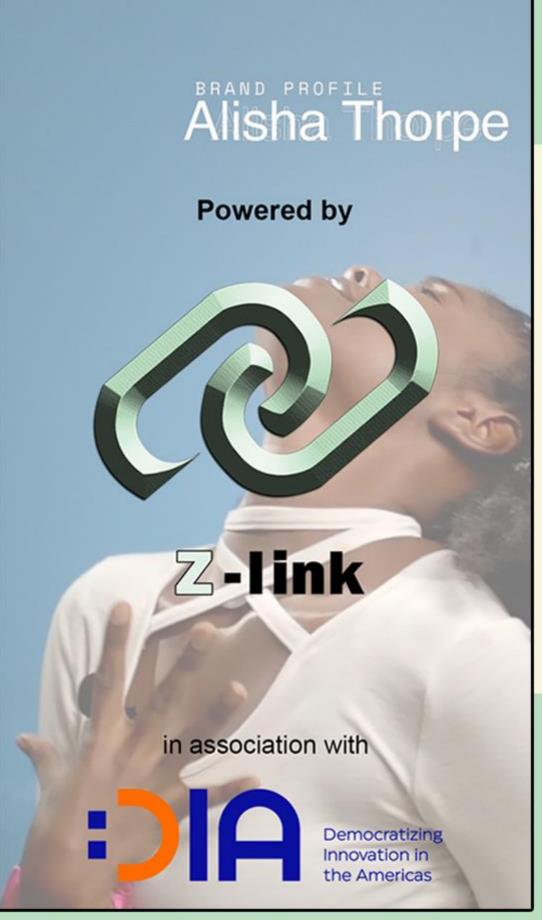
Highlights from the official launch ceremony of ZRISE. The hostess, Tamoy Campbell - Miss Kingston and St Andrew Festival Queen 2021- interacts with the virtual audience and moderates a panel discussion.

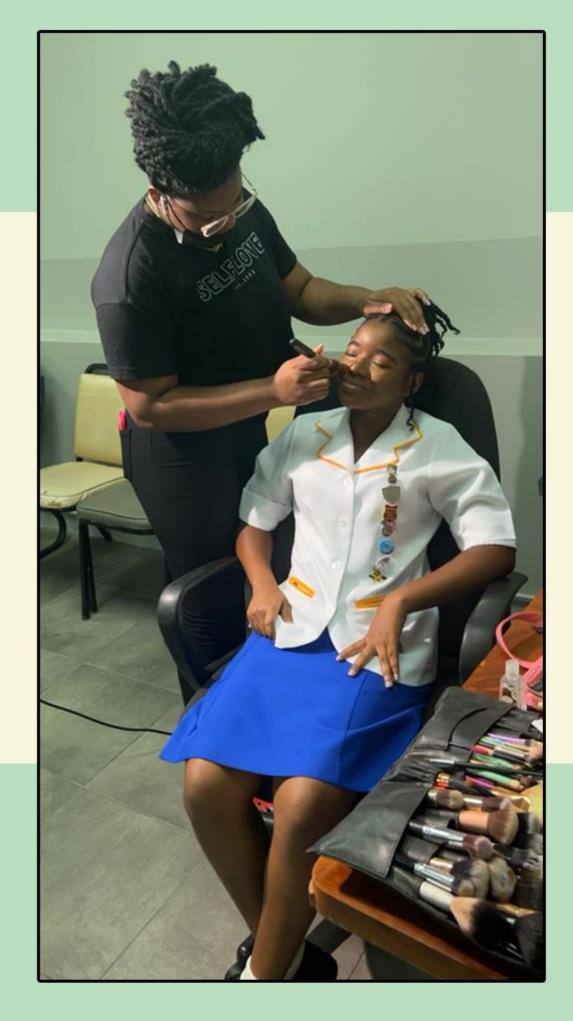






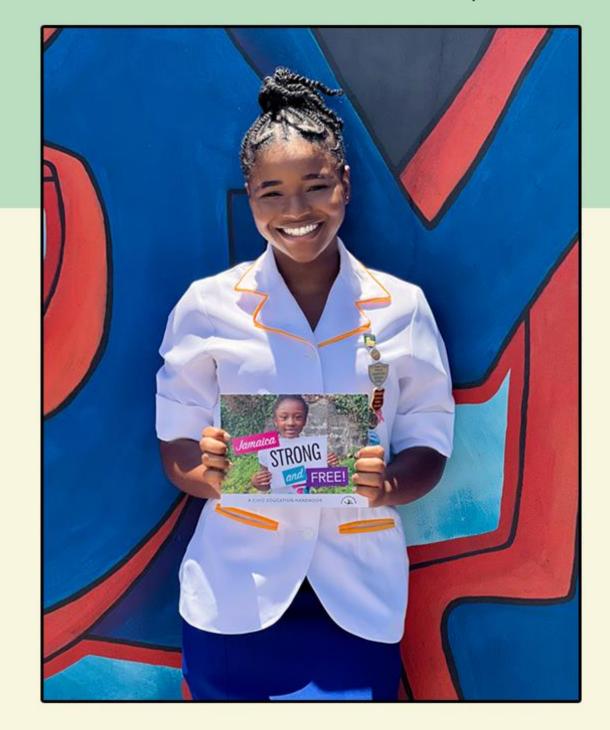












ZRISE partners with the Office of the Political Ombudsman of Jamaica on their book launch digital media campaign.







More highlights from the collaboration between ZRISE and the Office of the Political Ombudsman of Jamaica for the launch campaign of 'Jamaica Strong and Free' - a civic education handbook.

### **Financial Statement**



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### **Reviewers Report**

#### To the Directors of Walters Dunn Holdings Limited T/A ZRISE.

We have reviewed the accompanying statement of financial position and notes to the statement of financial position as at September 30, 2022. This financial statement is the responsibility of the company's management. Our responsibility is to issue a report on this financial statement based on our review.

We conducted our review in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing applicable to review engagements. This Standard requires that we plan and perform the review to obtain moderate assurance as to whether the financial statement is free of material misstatements. A review is limited primarily to enquiries of the company's personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data and thus provides less assurance than an audit. We have not performed an audit and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying financial statement does not give a true and fair view in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards for Small and Medium Sized entities.

for Welter. Ian Walters **Chartered Accountants** 

October 12, 2022

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WALTERS DUNN HOLDINGS LIMITED T/A ZRISE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

	Note	<u>2022</u> \$
ASSETS		•
Non-Current Assets		
Property Plant and Equipment	3	238,000
Intangible Assets	4	378,123
		616,123
Deferred Expenditure		1,109,835
Current Assets		
Director's Current account		100,000
Investments	5	300,169
		400,169
Total Assets		2,126,127
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES:		
Equity		
Share Capital	6	100,000
Grant Capital	7	1,500,500
		1,600,500
Non-Current Liabilities		
Director's Loan	8	525,627
		525,627
Total Equity and Liabilities		2,126,127

Approved and signed by the directors on October 12, 2022

an-Claude Walters Dunn Collet

Managing Director Director

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statement.



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### WALTERS DUNN HOLDINGS LIMITED T/A ZRISE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

#### 1. Identification and Principal Activity

Walters Dunn Holdings Limited is a limited liability company duly incorporated under the Jamaica Companies Act 2004. Walters Dunn Holdings Limited is 'trading as' Zrise. The trading name 'Zrise' is registered under the Registration of Business Names Act. The registered office of the company is situated at 14 Retirement Crescent, Kingston 5. The primary activities of the company are business management, consultancy, media production and the provision of creative services.

#### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

#### (a) Statement of Compliance and Basis of Preparation

The financial statement is prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards for Small and Mediun Sized Entities (IFRS for SMEs) and their interpretations adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and comply with the provisions of the Companies Act.

The financial statement is presented in Jamaican dollars (J\$) which is the functional currency of the company. This financial statement has been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) for SMEs and has been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### (b) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated as historical cost.

#### Depreciation

No depreciation has been provided.

#### (c) Cash and Cash Equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents are carried in the statement of financial position at cost.

### 3. Property, Plant and Equipment

This includes digital media tools and equipment.

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### WALTERS DUNN HOLDINGS LIMITED T/A ZRISE NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

### 4. Intangible Assets

Intangible assest represent cost of domain acquisition and web platform development.

#### 5. Investment

Investment represents the acquisition of digital art on the Blockchain.

#### 6. Share Capital

Authorised, Issued and Fully Paid. 100,000 Ordinary shares @ no par value.

### 7. Grant Capital

This represents seed capital received from the Optimist International Entrepreneurship Pitch Competition, the DIA Lab, Goddard Enterprises Limited Entrepreneurship competition and the UWI Vincent Hosung Venture Competition.

#### 8. Director's Loan

This represents advances made to the company by the principal shareholder. It is unsecured and interest free.



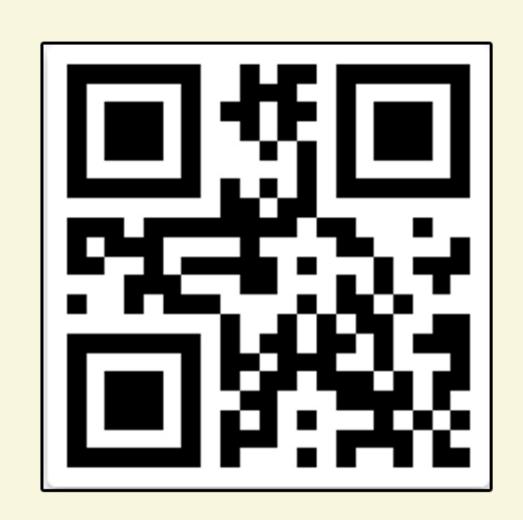
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WALTERS DUNN HOLDINGS LIMITED T/A ZRISE SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED EXPENDITURE SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

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ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL:	
Office supplies	173,248
Travel and subsistency	176,097
Telephone	25,191
Advertising and marketing	127,439
Co-working space	10,900
Project management	306,760
Staff development	214,000
Web platform maintenance	71,200
Bank charges	5,000
	1,109,835



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