

Marley's statue

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is a hit

SHOUTS OF APPROVAL ECHOED at Celebrity Park in the National Stadium Sunday night as the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Edward Seaga, unveiled the new statue of reggae superstar, the Hon. Robert Nesta Marley O.M., before a huge crowd.

The unveiling

The unveiling of the huge bronze monument of Jamaica's most famous performer fittingly opened the World Youth Festival of Arts, which is being staged in Kingston along with the International Youth Conference. Both are being attended by thousands of young people from all over the globe.

Marley's mother

Even Bob Marley's mother, Mrs. Cedella Booker, a Rastafarian, who claimed that "Rastas do not worship statues or graven images", described the occasion as "a wonderful moment" and a "day we will always remember". She expressed her appreciation of the statue and said that it was necessary to "remember him as he was". The sculpture was the work of Alvin Marriot, 82, the famous Jamaican sculptor.

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The statue of Bob Marley is the focus of attention after the unveiling which was done by Prime Minister Seaga who is seen here still holding the cord he used to bare the statue.