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Pope Francis thanked artists of the Circus of Cuba HAVANA, Cuba, Dec 21 (ACN) Pope Francis thanked on Wednesday the presentation of a group of artists from the Circus of Cuba in his usual General Audience on Wednesday, in the Paul VI Hall of the Vatican City.

"I would like to thank the Cuban circus for this beautiful show! Thank you!" exclaimed the Supreme Pontiff after witnessing live and applauding the performance of the young Caribbean people before some five thousand people who cheered them, reported Prensa Latina (PL).

The music, the dance, the circus technique and the color of the Caribbean island left with this presentation an indelible mark on Francis, for whom the circus artists are "artisans of the party, of the wonder, of the beautiful".

Participants in the presentation made in the Vatican integrate the Havana Company, of the National Circus of Cuba, which is currently performing in Rome as part of a tour of six Italian cities.

The PL report recalled that last year the Pope said that circus artists "enrich society around the world, with the ambition also to feed feelings of hope and confidence."

During the celebration of the Circus Jubilee, within the framework of the Year of the Jubilee of Mercy, the Bishop of Rome greeted participants in the activity, and especially mentioned "the leaders and artists of the Circus of Cuba."