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Issue:

The representation of youth in the media.

Suggestions:

Often, we have seen the negative and unfavourable portrayal of youth in the media.

Whether we be made to appear as violent, troublesome hoodlums; drunk and disorderly citizens or rebellious and impetuous juveniles. It is this unwarranted and at times, far-fetched image of the youth in the media that plagues my mind as a relevant issue affecting young people. Perhaps the Inquiry into Children, Young People and the Built Environment group could attempt to help put aside this vast web of deceit in relation to representation of youth in the media.

Rarely, have I witnessed a complimentary or even slightly favourable program devoted to young people within the media. By the media, I am referring to specifically the news programs which claim to report the truth and facts.

The Inquiry into Children, Young People and the Built Environment, I believe, would help in changing this skewed image of youth in the media.

Perhaps through television news or the newspapers, the Inquiry into Children, Young people and the Built Environment could appeal to the wider audience and deliver reports which recount both the negative and positive progress of young people in Australia.

Actions need to be taken to improve the general image and representation of young people within the media. The Inquiry into Children, Young people and the Built Environment have the power and resources to carry out these necessary actions.

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