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HOLLYWOOD IN SYMPHONY

Due to COVID-19 concerns, the WCYO Senior Orchestra is not currently able to practice. We have decided to start with virtual recordings of our 2020 Hollywood in Symphony Repertoire! More information on this exciting project will follow soon.



A **heartfelt thank you** to our wonderful sponsors, contributors, affiliates and partners.



MUSIC STANDS

WCYO has a real shortage of music stands. After the Parklands Festival of Music, we were fortunate to receive a donation of broken stands and parts from one of the schools. Henry and Cedric Brown took the parts and restored 24 solid and foldable music stands. They also spray-painted the stands, ready for WCYO's first rehearsal after lockdown. We want to give Henry and Cedric a big heartfelt thank you for their time and effort! It is much appreciated.



WEDDING PERFORMANCE

Anika Keuck (previously a student of WCMA and principal of the Senior Orchestra) and Aidan Daniëls (principal cello player of WCYO) performed at a wedding at Sea-Trader.



Any combination of Ensemble, a Junior Jazz Band or Orchestra, Percussion Ensembles, Senior Jazz Band or Orchestra, Wind- or String Ensembles may be booked for any event in advance. **Contact WCYO today to book a soloist, ensemble, band or orchestra:** <https://wcyo.org.za/book-an-event>.

SENIOR ORCHESTRA DEVELOPMENT STUDENTS

WCMA created a solution to enable the Senior Orchestra members, which is part of our Development programme, to continue with individual tuition during the lockdown period. They still receive their weekly lessons, as we realized that they need this in-depth training for the Hollywood in Symphony recordings; as well as for their examination preparation work to continue. We managed to get all their instruments, stands and sheet music to them and made arrangements with the use of mobile phones with WhatsApp for video-call lessons. They received their online lesson times weekly and data on the phones so that they can proceed with individual lessons in the comfort of their homes, without any social contact. Thus we were able to successfully give them quality tuition within the lockdown regulations.

We will proceed in this way until such time as the COVID-19 situation allows in-person lessons again. To accommodate these students, we are in urgent need of old or second hand mobile phones (for WhatsApp) and donations for data. When donating to WCYO, financially or otherwise, you will receive an Article 18A Certificate.

WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT WCYO

- 🎵 **My School Card (Woolworths):** Choose or add West Coast Youth Orchestra as your beneficiary. EVERY SWIPE COUNTS!
- 🎵 **Adopt-a-Musician:** Individuals and corporate companies can adopt a student in need of financial assistance as protégé.
- 🎵 **WCYO Alumni Programme:** Make a monthly contribution of your choice by EFT or Debit Order.
- 🎵 **Friends-of-WCYO Campaign:** Make a monthly contribution of your choice by EFT or Debit Order to support our Student Bursary Fund or any other programme of your choice.
- 🎵 **Instrument and Accessories Fund:** Contribute to our Instrument and Accessories Fund (repair, maintenance or purchase of accessories, e.g. sheet music stands, strings, rosin, reeds, fine-tuners and more).
- 🎵 **Transport:** Donate diesel vouchers or assist in transporting Outreach, Development, Band or Orchestra students from and to venues for tuition and/or rehearsals.
- 🎵 **Donate an Instrument:** Donate an unused or unwanted instrument, even if it is old.
- 🎵 **Technology/Digital assistance:** Donate second hand or refurbished laptops to WCYO for admin and other use. Assist WCYO in making recordings, managing sound for performances, donating any sound-equipment.
- 🎵 **SMS WCYO to 49333:** By sending such an SMS, you will donate a single R20 donation to our Instrument Repair Fund.

Please visit our website (www.wcyo.org.za) or contact Tania Mouton @ 074 428 2802 / tania@wcyo.org.za for more information.

BENEFITS OF SUPPORTING WCYO

- 🎵 WCYO was registered as a Non-Profit Company (NPC 132-992) in 2013, which was also approved as a Public Benefit Organisation in May 2018 by SARS.
- 🎵 When donating second-hand instruments, financially or adopting a musician, you will receive an **Article 18A Certificate**.
- 🎵 Your logo and a link to your website will be placed on the WCYO website.
- 🎵 You will be mentioned in newsletters & social media if preferred.



"Music is the divine way to tell beautiful, poetic things to the heart." – Pablo Casals

Important Dates

12 July: Day Tour to Vredendal: Senior Orchestra perform for opening of Klaver Kunstefees

22. 23. 24 July: HOLLYWOOD IN SYMPHONY SHOWS

21 August: Junior & Senior Orchestra perform for West Boland Eisteddfod - **cancelled**

Dates listed here may change due to COVID-19. All relevant information will be communicated to parents and musicians regularly.

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