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Siyabonga Outreach Project concert

WCYO tutors Marlon van Rooyen, Darryn Prinsloo and Keagen Gertse was involved at the **Siyabonga Care Village** (Pikanini ECD Centre) in Vredenburg during the 4th term. They helped to showcase their year-end concert with live musical accompaniment. The evening was very successful, and we would like to thank Mrs Hannalize van Greunen for her co-operation and kindness. We hope to be able to contribute towards Siyabonga again in the future. We would like to thank the **National Arts Council** for their contribution towards this project.

WCYO Prize-Giving

The annual WCYO Prize-Giving was held on 27 November at Curro Langebaan, along with the WCMA Prize-Giving. Congratulations to 9 players that was awarded with Floating Trophies for Leadership in the Symphony Orchestra for 2015. They are **Anika Keuck (concert master)**, **Marika Frick (ad hoc concert master)**, **Jaydrin Cleophas**, **Darius Becker**, **Christelle Rheeder**, **Tanielle Meyer**, **Hanré Hickman**, **Nadja Geldenhuys**, and **Charl Henri Schoeman**.

The Symphony Orchestra also performed Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy entirely on Boomwhackers! We are planning to surprise the audiences next year with some more Boomwhacker repertoire..!

A special thanks to **Oscar van Antwerpen** from **Minrom** for sponsoring the awards; **Curro Langebaan Private School** for the use of their hall; **Joanita Smith** for the décor and catering; and also to photographer **Lisa Pereira** (Pereira Photos). For any photo orders, email lsapereira@mweb.co.za.

Percussion Workshop

On Friday 4 December, a Percussion Workshop was held at Curro Langebaan for all interested students. Presented by **Dominic Swartz** from UCT, many students was introduced to percussion playing for the first time. It was an enjoyable afternoon with new percussion talent that was spotted! These groups will rehearse frequently and players will be selected from

Farewell

We say goodbye to a few players and tutors. Tutors **Bradley Louw**, **Darryn Prinsloo** and **Keagen Gertse** will be leaving the West Coast. Bradley coached the WCYO Junior Strings and Darryn and Keagen were involved in the Brass and Strings Outreach Projects at Diazville and Jurie Hayes Primary Schools. We thank them for their contributions and tutoring. WCYO will dearly miss you!

More players are spreading their wings: **Tanielle Meyer** (percussion) and **Jo-Mari Marx** (viola) just finished their matric examinations and will continue with further studies elsewhere.

We would also like to acknowledge the following percussion players: **Anastasia Brodina**, **Catherine Bessenger-Rüster**, **Hanré Hickman** and **Mari Hickman**, who are stepping down and has greatly contributed to the percussion section for many years.

Welcome



it for the WCYO Percussion- and Symphony Orchestra.

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Students enjoyed the percussion workshop!

We welcome **Felecia Roux (B.Mus US)** on our team from 2016. She will take over the reins of coaching the WCYO Junior Strings, as well as the String Outreach Projects, along with tutors **Marlon van Rooyen** (Brass instruments) and **Lara Block** (Lower Strings). Felecia has been involved in outreach projects in the past and we are all very excited for her to join us.

2016

Tutors and players will be enjoying a well-deserved holiday. An updated WCYO rehearsal and performance calendar will be send out in January (will also be published on the website), and new players and applicants will also be contacted.



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