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Notes@Night Concert

WCYO held a fabulous concert at the Hopefield Commercial Hotel, on Friday 16 March 2018. With WCYO's first concert for the year, the Junior Orchestra gave a great performance of "Superhero Blues", and the Senior Orchestra delighted the audience with The Moldau, Golliwogg's Cakewalk, and even Rockabye by Clean Bandit. For the second half of the evening, the WCYO Jazz Band gave an energetic performance and entertained the audience with hits such as Havana, Pata Pata, and Mama Thembu's Wedding. We would like to thank Ms Eugenia Paulo (master of ceremonies), and Jacques & Rina from the Commercial Hotel, for the venue.

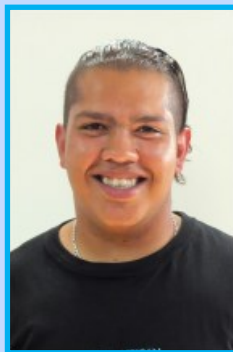
DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND AN ENCORE CONCERT WILL BE HELD AT THE PLAASMOL IN HOPEFIELD ON 25 MAY.

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Welcome Craig!

We are very excited to have **Mr Craig Nicholas** on our team from 2018! Craig is the new WCYO Events & Jazz Band Manager; the WCYO Junior Orchestra Conductor, and also the full time Brass Tutor at WCMA.



He was an Ad hoc member of the Cape Philharmonic Orchestra, KZN Philharmonic Orchestra, and South African National Youth Orchestra (Principal Tuba). **Welcome to the West Coast, Craig!**

WCYO receives award!

Congratulations to the WCYO staff & students for winning the prestigious **Department of Arts & Culture Award for Best Contribution to the Performing arts in Music**, on the 4th of March.



Parklands College Festival of Music

On Saturday 24 March, Senior Orchestra players attended the **Parklands College Festival of Music**.

It was an amazing opportunity for our students to collaborate with players from other schools.



Under the baton of Craig Nicholas, rehearsals took place in the morning, and ended with a mass orchestra concert in the afternoon with performances that included items like Bohemian Rhapsody and Ancient Echoes.

It was an honour to perform The National Anthem and our special repertoire for students, VIPs and delegates at the **Department of Basic Education Jamboree Event**, at Louville High School, on 10 February .



Franschhoek Chamber Music Workshop

Congratulations to flute player **Sarah Kleynhans**, who were once again selected to attend the **Franschhoek Chamber Music Workshop** during the April school holiday. During this 7-day course, high school students receive intensive ensemble training. We know you will thoroughly enjoy it, Sarah!



Upcoming Events:

- 20 April**— Recording for AFDA Movie Soundtrack
- 1 May** — Seniors attends concert at Suidoosterfees
- 12 May** — Stellenbosch Eisteddfod for Seniors
- 19 May** — Windworx Fanfare, Cape Town for West Coast Youth Symphonic Winds & Percussion
- 25 May** — Notes@Night Encore Plus Concert, Plaasmol, Hopefield—with more exciting repertoire
- 21 June** — WCMA & WCYO Showcase Event
- 24 Aug** — Participation at Wes-Boland Eisteddfod

Former WCYO players excel!

Former principal Clarinet player, **Nadja Geldenhuys**, has been selected for the **North West Youth Orchestra**. Nadja is currently studying Music at the University of Potchefstroom.



Owen Dalton, former Principal Oboist currently plays for the **University of Stellenbosch Symphony Orchestra and Wind Band**, and the **South African National Youth Orchestra**.

WCYO JAZZ BAND

Since they had their debut performance at the **Club Mykonos Festival** in December 2017, the WCYO Jazz Band has made a name for themselves! Under the management of Virl Albertyn and Craig Nicholas, they have been rehearsing intensively and we are extremely proud of what they have achieved so far.



They also had very successful performances at the **V&A Waterfront Jazzathon** in January AND **The Jazz on the Rocks Festival** at Paternoster in February.

Our Development & Outreach Programs

We are very excited that our Development & Outreach Programs are expanding and student totals are increasing to such an extent, that we urgently need more space to teach our new students brass, recorder, strings and music theory groups. Even though the classrooms that we currently use are mostly without tables and chairs, our students attend each class faithfully. We are extremely proud of our students, whom is an example that no adversary is too big if one wants to study and excel.



A HUGE THANK YOU to **Lovemore Music**, for donating 2x P-trumpets, P-bones and P-Buzz.

These instruments will help immensely in our brass group tuition and are currently shared amongst 32 students.

We have also successfully established a feeding scheme with **Woolworths Laguna Mall Langebaan**, enabling us to provide food to our students before they start class.



Ways you Can Support our Students

- ♪ **MySchool Card** - Choose or **ADD West Coast Youth Orchestra** as your beneficiary - **EVERY SWIPE COUNTS!**
- ♪ Please sms **WCYO** to **49333** for a R20 single donation
- ♪ **Contributions in kind** - Donate unused or unwanted instruments

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