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IYOB INTRODUCTORY REHEARSAL

As we announced last year, Carina Brown and Ishani Bhoola, WCYO Patron, established the International Youth Orchestra Bridges in 2021. They have teamed up with Cathy Scott-Burt in Coventry, Marcy A. Sudock in California and musical director Alexander Walker to bring young musicians from different backgrounds together to tour through South Africa in 2024.

On Sunday, 20 March, WCYO members had the opportunity to meet their counterparts from the UK and US when the first introductory rehearsal of IYOB was held. This was in preparation for the 2024 tour. It was a truly wonderful experience. Alexander Walker walked everyone through Finlandia, which is one of the pieces that will be played on the tour. WCYO even had the chance to perform a snippet of Pata Pata for the other groups. International Youth Orchestra Bridges truly came alive! We cannot wait for the next rehearsal in July.

IYOB

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA BRIDGES



[Follow the International Youth Orchestra Bridges on Facebook.](#)

THANK YOU DK WIRELESS

We want to say a huge thank you to [DK Wireless](#) for assisting us with our internet connection to ensure that our first International Youth Orchestra Bridges rehearsal was held without any hiccups. You are always more than willing to assist us, and we are very grateful.



IYOB 2024 SOUTH AFRICA TOUR

WCYO is very excited about the planned tour in 2024. The IYOB project will bring together young musicians from the UK, US and South Africa to form an international orchestra. By bringing young people from different backgrounds and nationalities together, we will encourage good social skills and nurture the ability to work alongside others, regardless of background or nationality. This is an essential workplace skill in music or any other industry. The musicians will rehearse in their own countries and online, before coming together in South Africa in July 2024. The international players will first come to Langebaan to rehearse with WCYO at **Curro Langebaan** for the first few days before the tour kicks off. The combined orchestra will perform at venues in Cape Town, Pietermaritzburg, Soweto and Johannesburg.

The preliminary programme is as follows:

21/07/2024 – Concert in Cape Town

24/07/2024 – Concert in Pietermaritzburg

26/07/2024 – Concert in Soweto

27/07/2024 – Concert in Johannesburg

Any musicians who are interested in being part of this wonderful experience can contact WCYO. There are no age restrictions for musicians from South Africa. Contact WCYO at info@wcyo.co.za for more information.

SAVE THE DATE

On **23 April 2022**, the senior orchestra will perform at the **Weskus Mall** where they will participate in a surprise **flash mob**. See you there!

SAVE THE DATE

On **19 May 2022**, WCYO will perform at the **Classical Music Festival** at the Koelkamers Theatre in Paternoster. We hope to see you there.

SAVE THE DATE

On **17 June 2022**, the senior Jazz Band will perform at the **Artscape Youth Jazz Festival**. We are one of only 8 jazz bands selected to perform!

We want to thank all our brilliant sponsors, contributors, affiliates and partners. We are grateful for their support and for believing in our vision and sharing our passion. With their help, we are striving to make a difference in the communities we serve. THANK YOU!



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“How is it that music can, without words, evoke our laughter, our fears, our highest aspirations?” – Jane Swan

WELCOME

We are pleased to welcome **Shadé Jansen** to the WCMA and WCYO family. Shadé is from Cape Town, but she completed her master's degree in composition at the University of Pretoria. She is an experienced teacher, and excellent in theory and harmony. She is a pianist, accompanist, violin, and viola player. Shadé is also a conductor (she took part in the Len van Zyl Conducting Competition) and will be co-conductor for the WCYO junior and senior orchestras. We trust that you will be happy in your new position.



WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT WCYO

- 🎵 **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.
- 🎵 **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.
- 🎵 **SMS WCYO to 49333:** By sending such an SMS, you will donate a single R20 donation to our Instrument Repair Fund.

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- 🎵 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.

Help us continue the work that we do to uplift and inspire the children in our community through music by donating here: [WCYO SUPPORT](#). You will be mentioned in newsletters and social media if preferred.



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We also urge you to keep on using your **MySchool Card** to help WCYO raise funds. It is a quick and easy way to help and all funds raised go directly to benefit our students.

For more information on how to become involved in our outreach programmes or to become a volunteer, contact Carina Brown at director@wcyo.org.za or visit our website (www.wcyo.org.za).



Important Dates

- 5 April** - Curro & WCED School Open
- 8 April** - WCYO Rehearsals
- 15 April** - Good Friday
- 18 April** - Easter Monday
- 22 April** - WCYO Rehearsals
- 23 April** - Flashmob @ Weskus Mall, Vredenburg (Time to be confirmed)
- 6 May** - WCYO Rehearsals
- 13 May** - WCYO Rehearsals
- 19 May** - Classical Festival Performance Koelkamers
- 17 June** - Artscape Youth Cape Jazz Band Festival
- 29 August – 2 September** – Wes-Boland Eisteddfod

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