



NEWSLETTER

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INTERNATIONAL YOUTH ORCHESTRA BRIDGES

Carina Brown and Ishani Bhoola, in collaboration with Lainey Trequesser, from Musiquelaine France, established the International Youth Orchestra Bridges earlier in 2021.

The IYOB project is currently working on a collaboration between the West Coast Youth Orchestra and the Waverley Ensemble (UK). It will bring together young musicians from the UK and South Africa, aged between 13 and 17, to form an international orchestra and will tour through South Africa during 2024, or as soon as the pandemic is under control.

Before the above tour takes place, there are already plans to make online recordings with WCYO and other international Youth Orchestras.

After the tour, they plan to proceed with many more projects to encourage interaction between youths of various countries. This could be either online or via tours. This initiative was brought to life because they felt it is important for the youths to be able to meet and interact with youths of other countries who share the same passion and interests.

WCYO never backs down from enriching the West Coast Youth through music, despite the lockdown and restrictions - and we make sure everyone stays effectively involved in all programmes.



“Music is your own experience, your thoughts, your wisdom. If you don't live it, it won't come out of your horn.”

— Charlie Parker

NEW STAFF

A warm welcome to our new staff member, Petula Louw. She will be part of the WCMA and WCYO teams. We look forward to have her as part of our family and hope that she will find this new journey rewarding.



DIE KOELKAMERS
CLASSICAL FESTIVAL
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Due to COVID restrictions, the WCMA and WCYO performances at Die Koelkamers Classical Festival in **Paternoster** had to be moved to September. The festival will take place from 23 – 27 September 2021. **Save this date to come and support all the players.**

SA STRINGS FOUNDATION – CONVENTION 2021

The South African Strings Foundation is hosting an online strings (including acoustic and electric guitar, violin, viola, cello, double bass, indigenous, harp) conference and violin/viola competition in collaboration with the University of Stellenbosch from 30 September to 3 October 2021. The conference will feature a variety of activities to showcase South Africa's finest string experts, such as:

- ♪ presentations
- ♪ SASF competition for violin/viola featuring the Albertus Bekker prize (visit www.sastrings.co.za for more info)
- ♪ concerts
- ♪ masterclasses
- ♪ technique classes
- ♪ networking opportunities
- ♪ discussion stations

Please join the annual online South African Strings Conference this year to learn, share, connect and be inspired! To register, apply for the competition and scholarships please visit the SASF website at www.sastrings.co.za for more information. Don't miss out on this opportunity!

For more information, please contact secretary@sastrings.co.za.

THANK YOU

We want to thank all our wonderful 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!



WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT WCYO

- 🎵 **My School Card:** 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.

Help us continue the work that we do to uplift and inspire the children in our community through music by donating here: <https://wcyo.org.za/support-wcyo-2/>. You will be mentioned in newsletters & social media if preferred.

WCYO is a registered Non-Profit Company (NPC 132-992), and 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**.

Parents, grandparents, alumni and everyone connected with WCYO

Download the MySchool app and receive your virtual card immediately!

Download the free app at www.myschool.co.za and select WCYO as your beneficiary.

All funds raised will go directly towards our student's benefit.

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Thank you to every one who participated in our **Mandela Day R67 donation initiative**. We appreciate every donation, big or small.

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.

Visit our website (www.wcyo.org.za) for more information or contact Carina Brown at director@wcyo.org.za to become involved in our outreach programmes.

Important Dates

- 20 Aug** - WBE Videos (Primary Vocal with Piano Acc)
- 20 Aug** - WBE Videos (Instrumental)
- Vocals: Electronic, Self-Acc, Sér, Acapella groups, HS with Piano accompaniment.
- 23 Sept** - Curro close 3rd Term
- 23 Sept** - WCYO & WCMA Concert at PATERNOSTER CLASSICAL FESTIVAL
- 1 Oct** - Public Schools close 3rd Term
- 11 Oct** - Curro & Public-Schools open 4th Term
- 23 Nov** - Certificate Programme US Awards Ceremony
- 15 Dec** - Curro & Public Schools close 4th Term

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INSTRUMENT DRIVE

Be instrumental and donate pre-loved instruments to our Music Education Programmes

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