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NUUSBRIEF • NEWS LETTER • AUGUST 2024

Greetings from our CEO

The Handevat Music Project entered its second decade in 2024 – a wonderful blessing to all here since its humble start in 2013. We are thankful for our wonderful Music Centre, our dedicated staff, and all individuals and organisational donors who helped turn this dream into a reality.

We all are looking forward to continuing to contribute to the lives and wellbeing of our learners and all involved, and to make a difference in bringing our communities closer together.

We stay committed to our vision:

- To develop learners holistically through participation in music activities: a higher sense of self-worth and purpose, new and enhanced abilities, and improved scholastic skills.
- To broaden the horizons of learners, who often due to limited resources, have few recreational, creative and career options.
- To create opportunities for people from different communities to come together and work together.



NEW Developments!

We acquired two “Wendy” type houses to realise the dream of a dedicated percussion classroom, and are erecting them. The extra rooms will give us much-needed extra classroom space. We also had to have additional work done by electricians: for the two new Wendy houses, as well as to improve our lighting – especially on the front stoep used for our orchestra rehearsals.



WCSO (Whale Coast Symphony Orchestra) Participation:

Two of our teachers (Jakobie de Wet – violin and D’mitri Linnerd – brass, as well as one of our flautist learners, Lelona Somdaka) participate in this newly formed orchestra. It is a wonderful opportunity to play with professional and semiprofessional musicians in this orchestra!

We would like to send more of our learner musicians, but due to the travelling time that our high school learners already spend daily to travel to the different high schools, it is not feasible to spend another hour weekly to travel to Hermanus and back for the practices. (We need a high school in Kleinmond)! Lelona goes to school in Hermanus so it is not an extra trip for her.

Educational & Medical Support:

We want to thank Dr Anli Theron (medical doctor), Dr Jolani Klopper (dentist) and Philip Obermeyer (optometrist) for their expert advice, support and help for our learners and our wider community who needed those services; as well as Verninsula Abrahams (M.Ed, B.Ed, BA) for her educational support lessons to our junior learners.



Linomtha Mondla with his new glasses



Petro



Pierre



Verninsula



Joel



Gerald

Support Staff:

Percussion: Pierre Brits will be our new teacher for percussion as soon as our venue is ready.

Joel Mgcineni Martins is our visiting teacher for traditional percussion, e.g. djembe

School / Educational Support: Verninsula Abrahams

HMC Maintenance: Petro van Coller, Joseph Ramokhele & Gerald Moyake



Our Teachers:

STEFNÉ van Dyk has a MMus degree from Stellenbosch university and more than 45 years of experience teaching music on all levels: pre-school to university. She does a musical development programme (using recorders and marimbas) for all beginners.

D'MITRI Linnerd [Dip. in Music Presentation] is our Brass teacher & admin coordinator.



MAIKE Skein [BMus, UNISA Performance Licentiate (Piano), ABRSM Advanced Diploma] from Hermanus teaches cello at Handevat. She is a very experienced teacher, with many achievements and awards in her field and she has brought a new passion and excitement for the instrument to the Project.



MARIANNE Kassier [BMus (Hons)] Piano. She is a very experienced teacher as well as an accomplished accompanist – which is a big asset to us.



ZANETTE van der Merwe [LLB, National Diploma in Contemporary Music, Gr 8 in piano (UNISA) & Saxophone (ABRSM)] is our Saxophone and Flute teacher and also coaches our Handevat Orchestra.

JAKOBIE de Wet [BA Applied Graphics - freelance Graphic Designer, GrVII Unisa Violin], teaches violin. She joined the Whalecoast Symphony Orchestra in 2024 after playing in Pretoria orchestras for years.



RIKA Steenkamp [BMus, HED, DKO (Diploma Church Organist)] - Piano. She has taught music for more than 40 years (piano & music theory) and is also an accomplished organist and choir conductor.

SYLVIA Humphreys [MMus, BMus, HED] is a very experienced music teacher, specialising in clarinet playing with a specific interest in ensemble work.



MAJA van Dyk [BMus] is the administrator of the Handevat Music Project NPO in Kleinmond and is co-teacher and music arranger of the award-winning Handevat Marimbas. She is a visiting teacher for violin as well.

ROANDA van Reenen [HED IV] has joined the Project as a co-facilitator for guitar.



SOLOMZI (Elvis) Dyonkile is our recorder teaching assistant and a tremendous help with class organization, preparing the teaching material and assisting those that need extra help with playing or music reading / literacy. He is one of the EPWP workers that we trained in 2022.

Our Learners (numbers at present):

Overberg High:	11
Laerskool Kleinmond:	44 (Marimbas)
Handevat Music Centre:	Recorder: 25
	Woodwind: 21 (8 flute, 9 clarinet, 4 saxophone)
	Piano: 21
	Guitar: 8
	Brass instruments: 12
	Marimbas: 10
	Cello: 7
	Violin: 10

Workshops:

Three highly successful workshops were presented with funding received from the National Arts Council:

- 21 October 2023 for Marimbas in Hermanus;
- 11 November 2023 for choir leaders in Kleinmond;
- 20 January 2024 for ECD music in Kleinmond.



FREE WERKSWINKEL VIR VOLWASSENES WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS
 aangebied deur / presented by

MARIMBA - PERCUSSION - DJEMBE

Vir wie? | Who can come? Onderwysers & Ouers
 Teachers & Parents

Datum | Date: Sat, 21 October
Hermanus Venue: curro School Hall
Tyd | Time: 10:00-16:00
Toegang | Entry: GRATIS | FREE

BESPREKINGS - RESERVATIONS
 admin@handevatmusic.co.za
 082 923 2723
 RSVP BEFORE 18 OCT 2023

Presenters & Facilitators:
 Stefné van Dyk
 Joel Mphahlele Martins
 Mphahlele Pooane
 Mphahlele van Dyk
 Zonette Visser

FREE WERKSWINKEL VIR VOLWASSENES WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS
 aangebied deur / presented by

KOOR - CHOIR

Vir wie? | Who can come? Koorleiers en -entoesiaste
 Choir leaders & enthusiasts

Datum | Date: Saturday, 11 November
Kleinmond Venue: NG Kerksaal, 36 1st Ave
Tyd | Time: 10:00-16:00
Toegang | Entry: GRATIS | FREE

BESPREKINGS - RESERVATIONS
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 082 923 2723
 RSVP BEFORE 6 NOVEMBER 2023

Presenters & Facilitators:
 Hubert van der Merwe
 Stefné van Dyk
 Mphahlele Pooane
 Mphahlele van Dyk
 Zonette Visser

**MUSIEK VIR DIE JONGE KIND & GRONDSLAGFASE
 MUSIC IN EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT (ECD) & FOUNDATION PHASE**

Vir wie? | Who can come? Onderwysers & Ouers
 Teachers & Parents

Datum | Date: Sat, 20 January 2024
Kleinmond Venue: NG Kerksaal
Tyd | Time: 10:00-16:00
Toegang | Entry: GRATIS | FREE

BESPREKINGS - RESERVATIONS
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 RSVP BEFORE 18 JANUARY 2024

Presenters & Facilitators:
 Stefné van Dyk
 Samantha Kruger
 Zonette Visser
 Synthia Dyonkila



Kleinmond Liggiesaan (8 December 2023)

Other Highlights:

- Annual concert: 17 November 2023 in the DRC Hall in Kleinmond.
- Annual carols event: 21 December 2023 at the lagoon in Kleinmond.
- The Windworx event on 3-4 May 2024 in Bellville.
- The Classics for All event at Greyton-Genadendal on 10 May 2024.
- Two end-of-semester concerts for the benefit of the parents of learners were held at the Handevat Music Centre on the afternoon of 8 & 15 June 2024.

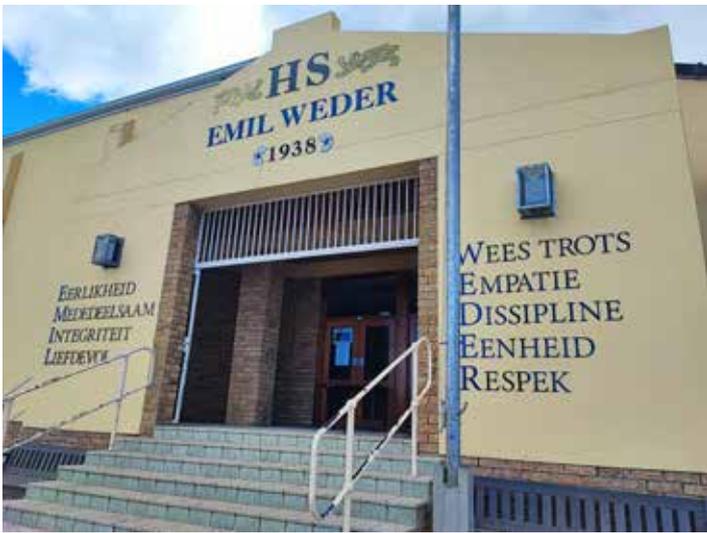




Handevat Windband at WINDWORX, Bellville



Handevat Windband at WINDWORX conducted by Zanette van der Merwe



School Concert in Greyton & Genadendal



Kleinmond Carols at the Lagune since 2014. We would like to thank our sponsors for 2023: Albertyn Apteek, Hangklip-Kleinmond Tourism, Overstrand Municipality and Carry me Home

Other Events in 2023:

- 19 August: A social event to celebrate women's month for our parents and other interested parties in the Centre.
- 27 September: Marshalaine de Wet played as the clarinet soloist with Helena Malan's piano accompaniment for Helena's matric practical music examination. Here follows Helena's report: *"For my matric practical music exam an ensemble piece was a requirement. I was privileged to work with a clarinetist (Marshalaine de Wet) from the Handevat Music Project. What a positive and pleasurable experience! We worked quite a few afternoons on Prelude 1 from The Victorian Garden - Paul Reade. The exam went extremely well, and in fact, I passed with a distinction in music! Marshalaine is a talented and skilled young musician and a testimony to the quality of work the project produces."*
- 16-18 October: All the marimba groups of Laerskool Kleinmond played at their music concert.
- 19 October: Handevat Music learners from Swartberg Secondary School performed at their prizegiving evening.
- 24 October: We did a presentation about our Handevat Music's work at a Stellenbosch book club called Boeksisters.
- 4 November: We provided items for Mthimkhulu's crèche fundraising function.
- 5 November: Marimba performance at the Advent service of the Stellenbosch Reformed Church at the Stellenboschfontein estate.
- 12 November: D'imitri Linnerd played a trumpet solo at St Frances Anglican church in Betty's Bay for their Remembrance Sunday service.

Some Activities since the Beginning of 2024:

- 16 January: Hugo Lambrecht Music School Staff training by Handevat Music: i.a. ECD – A holistic approach to beginners' music education – accent on acquiring musical concepts through active music making. Introduction of Orff's principles in music education through the use of the (accessible) Orff instruments.
- 26 - 27 January: D'mitri Linnerd & Stefné van Dyk assisted as "répétiteurs" at Overberg High's Choir Camp.
- 24 February: A Flute workshop was presented by Tracey Burger for our flautists at the HMC.
- 18 & 19 March: Ovies Marimba Band performed at Overberg High School's Cultural festival, Koesterklanke
- April - July: Malika Haaf, a German exchange student, joined Handevat for cello lessons for this period. She enjoyed it thoroughly and had learned a lot.
- 26 July: A Wind quartet accompanied and provided all the music for the St Francis Anglican Church in Betty's Bay.
- 2 August: Our Ovies Marimba Band played for Overberg High's Interschool Big Brag Event; our Clarinet Octet and a Brass Quintet performed at Thinus Ries' A Musical Collage concert in Kleinmond.
- 8 August: Handevat Music's young musicians presented a half-hour pre-programme for a Woman's Day tea event in the DRC hall, Kleinmond.

Some Future Commitments:

- 17 August: Marimbas will play at Swartberg Secondary school's sport day.
- 23 August: Steinhaus Orchestra Besigheim concert will be attended by our learners in Kleinmond.
- 30 August: Helicon Ensemble - Telemann and beyond - concert will be attended in Hermanus.
- 1 & 28 September: Handevat Marimbas will play at Kleinmond's Market Fair.
- 12 September: Classical Rendezvous with WCSO - Hermanus High School. Some of our staff and learners partake.
- 6 October: St Francis Anglican Church, Betty's Bay: Providing music and accompaniment for their Patronal festival.
- 18 October: Handevat Music's annual concert at Laerskool Kleinmond's school hall at 19:00.
- 10 November: Remembrance Day – providing a trumpeter for the "Last post".
- October/November: Providing music items for the different school's award ceremony evenings.
- 19 December: Kleinmond Carols at the Lagune.

Some Non-musical Achievements of our Learners:

- Gr 7 **Faith Erasmus** Head girl of Kleinmond Primary school
- Gr 9 **Zarah Abrahams** School bursary for academic achievements; WCED English Creative Writing, 3rd position
- Gr 11 **Chriswin Hull** Received overall 2nd position in Caledon Museum's annual public speaking competition
- Gr 11 **Lelona Somdaka** First Position in English & Mathematics; attended The National Youth camp (2-9 December 2023) for young leaders

STELLENBOSCH Eisteddfod results

PIANO

Zarah Abrahams: Gold+ • Bella Hubbard: Silver+ & Gold+

FLUTE

Chriswin Hull: Silver+ & Gold
Maurescher Oliver: 2 Gold awards • Lelona Somdaka: Gold+

BRASS

Jamian Prins (trombone): Silver+
Lutho Dyonkile (trumpet): Gold
Tristan Oliver (trumpet): Gold+

& Zarah's piano exam results:
LMC Grade 4 Piano Pass with Distinction



Stefné busy
with staff
training
at Hugo
Lambrecht
Music School in
January 2024



Malika Haaf with Maïke (cello teacher)

Support Handevat

Here are some ways you can get involved and support the Handevat Music Project:

- Volunteer Your Time and Skills:** We are always looking for passionate individuals who are willing to share their time and skills with us. Whether you are a music teacher, performer, or someone with organizational and administrative expertise, there are numerous opportunities for you to contribute. To volunteer, simply contact us via email (admin@handevatmusic.co.za).
- Make a Donation:** Your financial or other support is immensely appreciated as it allows us to continue providing high-quality music programmes and initiatives. Every contribution, no matter the amount or in what form (services, instruments, books), makes a difference and enables us to reach more individuals and communities with the power of music. We also have a QR code (see pg 11).
- Spread the Word:** Help us expand our reach and impact by spreading the word about the Handevat Music Project. Share our newsletters, social media posts, and website with your friends, family, and colleagues. Encourage them to get involved or consider supporting us in any way they can. By harnessing the power of your network, we can create a larger community that believes in the power of music and education to bring about positive change.
- Refer Potential Collaborators or Sponsors:** If you know of any schools, businesses, or organizations that might be interested in partnering with us or becoming sponsors, please let us know. Your referrals are invaluable to us as we seek to form meaningful collaborations and secure the resources necessary to further our mission.

We believe that everyone has something unique to contribute, and together, we can make a significant impact on the lives of many through music. Your involvement will help us create a world where music becomes a bridge of understanding, healing, and empowerment.

Thank you for considering supporting the Handevat Music Project. We truly appreciate your commitment and belief in the power of music. Together, let's make a difference, one note at a time.

Our Current Needs

- **Instruments:** Viola, Oboe, Bass clarinet, Bassoon, Timpani (kettledrums); and accessories e.g strings, rosin, oil for brass instruments
- Carpets
- Book shelves

With Gratitude

Handevat expresses deep gratitude to the Mzansi Philharmonic National Orchestra, National Arts Council, Rupert Foundation, and all other organizations and individuals who have generously provided funding and support. Your invaluable contributions have played a pivotal role in the success and growth of the Handevat Music Project. Thank you for your unwavering dedication to the arts and for believing in our vision.



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To our volunteers and staff, your tireless efforts and passion are what make the Handevat Music Project thrive. Through your guidance, mentorship, and expertise, you have helped individuals discover their musical abilities, grow in self-confidence, and find joy in music. Your dedication is truly inspiring, and we are grateful for every moment you have shared with us.



Come and visit our Handevat Music Centre, or attend one of our concerts/events and support our Handevat Merchandise fundraising initiative. We have mugs, magnets and stickers with our beautiful Handevat Music logo available for sale.



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Chriswin Hull attending a flute workshop in February with Tracey Burger