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WELCOME!

Welcome back to all our students and parents. We also want to welcome all new students and parents to the WCMA family! We know that you will enjoy your lessons and playing your instrument. Remember, success is the result of preparation, hard work and learning from mistakes.

As we all know, this is a challenging time we are currently going through. Please note that we constantly monitor the situation and all information regarding lessons and activities will be communicated to parents on a regular basis.



Matric Results

Congratulations to **Nelandi Boshoff** for achieving an A symbol for Music as Subject in the 2019 National Senior Certificate examinations. **Lené Stuart** and **Christelle Rheeder** both achieved a B symbol for Music. We are extremely proud of all our 2019 Matric music students from Hopefield High School and Curro Langebaan Independent School!



Nelandi Boshoff

Examination Results

UNISA Theory of Music – October 2019 Session

Congratulations to our students with their superb results in the UNISA Theory of Music exams. Four students achieved Roll of Honour and seven students achieved Distinction. The Roll of Honour students are Armand Potgieter, Corné Meintjes, Annika Gericke and Jennafer Tapuch.

Liam Opperman, Deidré Loubser, Chasmin-Lee Topass, Stevie Phillips, Lindi Blomerus, Georgia Pontello and Caitlin Links achieved Distinction.



Armand Potgieter
Grade 1 – 100%



Corné Meintjes
Grade 1 – 98%



Annika Gericke
Grade 2 – 96%



Jennafer Tapuch
Pre-Grade 1 – 95%

UNISA Theory of Music – February 2020 Session

Congratulations to Thinus Moolman and Alexi Frick with excellent results achieved in the UNISA Theory of Music examinations in February. Thinus achieved Roll of Honour.



Thinus Moolman
Grade 1 – 96%



Alexi Frick
Grade 3 – 83%

Trinity Theory of Music – November 2019 Session

Congratulations to the WCMA students who achieved excellent results in the Trinity Theory of Music exams. Three Distinctions and two Merits were obtained. Well done!

Students who achieved Distinction: Aiden Fransman, Damon de Foglio and Tyla Maltby.



Aiden Fransman
Grade 2 – 100%



Damon de Foglio
Grade 4 – 89%



Tyla Maltby
Grade 4 – 89%

Baroque Festival

WCMA music subject students attended the 2nd Schools' Baroque Festival on the 22nd of February. It was hosted by DF Malan High School, in collaboration with Camerata Tinta Barocca. Grade 10 - 12 Music Pupils had the opportunity to be part of interactive workshops on the history of opera and symphony, which follows the curriculum of Grade 10 and 12 History of Music. Sessions was presented by Erik Dippenaar, the artistic Director of Camerata Tinta Barocca. Members of CTB performed with period instruments to ensure a first-hand experience of Baroque Music.



CWAA Circle Conference

WCMA students, Monique van der Merwe and Damon de Foglio, recently performed at the CWAA Circle Conference in Langebaan.

They played solos and duets and Damon also performed some acoustic guitar repertoire. Their performance was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



Music Education

WCMA offers Music as a subject up to Grade 12 at **Hopfield High School**, **Curro Langebaan Independent School** and **Vredenburg High School**. Students have the choice to incorporate Music as subject from Grade 8 onwards in some of these schools to prepare them for the required standard at Grade 10. This will enable them to proceed with Music as subject to Grade 12 with ease.

Music is a university admission subject, just like Mathematics. Since it is a well-known fact that Music develops both parts of the brain, it is ideal to have Music on your Matric certificate. Music opens the doors to University admission, residence and any type of course you want to study. In addition, it is a privilege to be able to do your hobby as a subject. That way you can easily perform better in this subject.

Opportunity to study locally, via the University of Stellenbosch or Free State

- ♪ Gap Year Programme
- ♪ Music Certificates of different levels in Music Literacy & Performance (US)
- ♪ Variety of Short Learning Courses, fully accredited (UFS) - choose any combination of subjects or only one
- ♪ Entrepreneurship & Arts Management
- ♪ University Credits in learning an instrument / ensemble
- ♪ Higher Certificate in Music Performance
- ♪ Diploma in Music
- ♪ All courses lectured locally in Langebaan / Hopefield by WCMA lecturers and examined by UFS / US.



NO prior knowledge of Music needed.

Only Gr. 12 needed to enter.

For more information and registration, send an email to: ufs@westcoastmusicacademy.co.za / usmusic@westcoastmusicacademy.co.za

COVID-19

All individual lessons are currently suspended. The safety of our students and tutors is of utmost importance and we will take every precaution to ensure that all venues are safe before lessons are resumed at the venues itself. The health of all our tutors will also be monitored at all times.

WCMA is already geared to offer individual practical lessons online. Lessons will resume as early as 6 April. A detailed email will be sent to all parents regarding options and procedures for online lessons. WCMA has all the necessary tools to present online lessons. Theory and Subject lessons will also follow online from 14th April. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Please use this isolation period to practice as exams will take place soon after schools reopen.



Wes-Boland Eisteddfod

The Wes-Boland Eisteddfod will be taking place from **17 - 21 August 2020** at the Dutch Reformed Church & Church Hall in Hopefield. The Wes-Boland Eisteddfod creates excellent opportunities for beginner to advanced students to perform solos, duets, trios and in various ensembles. Eisteddfod participation is vitally important because it provides students with opportunities to participate, grow, gain experience and showcase their talents.

Email sania@westcoastmusicacademy.co.za for any questions or information regarding the Eisteddfod.

Important Dates

- 9 May:** Trinity Theory Exams – postponed due to COVID-19
- 13-15 May:** Stellenbosch Eisteddfod – postponed due to COVID-19
- 1 June:** UNISA Gr. 1 Theory Exams – postponed due to COVID-19
- 2 June:** UNISA Pre-Gr. 1, Gr. 2, Gr.4 Theory Exams – postponed due to COVID-19
- 3 June:** UNISA Gr. 3, Gr. 5 Theory Exams – postponed due to COVID-19
- 20 July:** Wes-Boland Eisteddfod: High School Singing with Piano Accomp.
- 30 July:** Wes-Boland Eisteddfod: Primary School Singing with Piano Accomp.
- 31 July:** Wes-Boland Eisteddfod: Primary School Singing with Piano Accomp.
- 3 August:** Wes-Boland Eisteddfod: Junior & High School Choirs
- 4 August:** Wes-Boland Eisteddfod: Senior Choirs
- 5 August:** Wes-Boland Eisteddfod: Singing with Backtracks
- 6 August:** Wes-Boland Eisteddfod: Singing with Backtracks
- 13 August:** National Senior Certificate (Grade 12) Final Music Practical Exams
- 17-21 August:** Wes-Boland Eisteddfod: MUSIC ITEMS
- 11 September:** Wes-Boland Eisteddfod: Prestige Evening

Dates listed here may change due to COVID-19. All relevant information will be communicated to parents and musicians regularly.

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