



## NEWSLETTER

### Term 3 2021

## THIRD TERM

The third term was again a very busy time for WCMA staff and students. More recordings had to be finalised for the various Eisteddfods and there were also music examinations and performances. Despite the ongoing COVID obstacles, we are proud of what we accomplished during this term.

Some of our staff and students had the opportunity to perform live for the first time in almost two years at the Koelkamers Classical Festival. It was wonderful to perform again in front of an audience.

The fourth term is filled with more activities, exams and performances. We want to encourage all students and parents to hang in there for the short period of time left for 2021.

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## EXAMINATION RESULTS

### Rockschool Exam Results - Practical, July Session

Congratulations to **Jan Lochner** for passing his Grade 8 Rockschool practical exam (drums) with flying colours. He achieved 78%, a remarkable achievement!



Congratulations to our students for their outstanding results in the Rockschool practical exams. Izabella Schnetler and Charl-Philip Visser received Distinction and five students received Merit. You make us proud!



**Izabella Schnetler**  
Debut Acoustic Guitar – 91%



**Charl-Philip Visser**  
Gr. 4 Drums – 90%

# EISTEDDFOD RESULTS

## Stellenbosch Eisteddfod

WCMA students achieved incredible results in the 2021 Stellenbosch Eisteddfod. Seven students achieved Cum Laude. Congratulations to everyone who participated.



**Jan Lochner**  
Alto Saxophone  
Solo – Modern



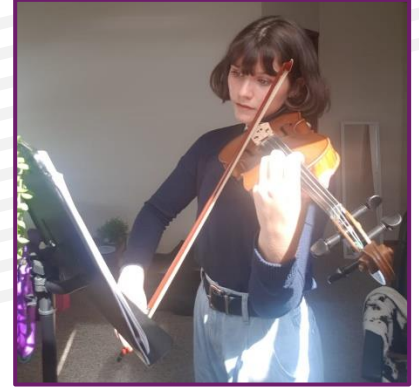
**Armand Potgieter**  
Singing  
Solo – Music Theatre



**Emile Britz**  
Classical Guitar  
Solo - Modern



**Christijan Opperman**  
Classical Guitar  
Solo - Romantic



**Kristina Jonker**  
Violin  
Solo - Romantic



**Charl Colyn**  
Classical Guitar  
Solo - Modern



**Monique van der Merwe**  
Viola  
Solo - Modern

Congratulations to **Monique van der Merwe** who was named the winner of the Louis van der Watt Cup for Best Violinist for the Stellenbosch Eisteddfod. Well done!

**PLEASE NOTE: Wes-Boland Eisteddfod results will only be available in the fourth term.**

Follow this link to view complete lists of all results: <https://westcoastmusicacademy.co.za/news-hub/results/>

## Western Cape Virtual Eisteddfod

WCMA students achieved outstanding results in the 2021 Western Cape Virtual Eisteddfod. Twelve students achieved Cum Laude, congratulations. There were also 29 Gold, 35 Silver, and 11 Bronze. We are proud of the students who adapted to this format so quickly and put in the hard work.



**Damon de Foglio**  
Double Bass – Recital  
Acoustic Guitar – Recital



**Andrea van Zyl**  
Percussion solo –  
Own Choice



**Hanru Viljoen**  
Drums solo – Own Choice



**Mieke Reynolds**  
Percussion solo –  
Own Choice



**Amé van Niekerk**  
Singing solo – Own Choice



**Monique van der Merwe**  
Viola solo – Modern



**Gesje Pretorius**  
Piano solo – Modern



**Caylin Pfister**  
Singing solo – Musical



**Johan Pelser**  
Drums solo – Own Choice



**Jan Lochner**  
Saxophone solo – Modern



**Saskia du Plooy**  
Singing solo – Musical



**Lily Breedt**  
Singing solo – Musical

## NEW STAFF APPOINTMENT

WCMA is delighted to welcome our new, specialised tutor as part of our team. Mrs. Angela Smith is appointed to work with students with special needs and is more than qualified to provide that extra attention and solicitude.

Angela Smith offers creative, interactive music-remedial tuition with a special focus on those with learning difficulties or moderate forms of ADHD, Asperger's Syndrome and Dyslexia, or who need an extra patient teacher. She offers a unique, purpose-driven, well-rounded programme for all students, particularly those who fall into the spectrum with mild to moderate forms of Autism.

Her programme was developed due to the demand for children who require extra nurturing and support to assist their specific learning style and is designed to creatively align the brain more effectively using MUSIC as its main subject. It encourages teacher and student interaction and recognises the uniqueness of each child's ability, learning pace, and potential, with passion and purpose. Angela has 20 years of music teaching experience and enjoyed many wonderful successes with informal evaluations, UNISA, Royal Schools of Music examinations, Eisteddfods, and petit performances.

Angela focusses mainly on Theory, Aural, Piano & Recorder tuition to get the basics done, but students are welcome to switch with time to another instrument and to proceed with Theory tuition with her. But the initial combination of Theory and Piano is ideal to make sure all concepts are dealt with and understood.

If anyone is interested in either switching over to her or entering for tuition with her, please contact [info@westcoastmusicacademy.co.za](mailto:info@westcoastmusicacademy.co.za).



## DIE KOELKAMERS CLASSICAL FESTIVAL

The Koelkamers Classical Festival was a huge success. Thank you to all the staff members and students who participated. We are so proud of the hard work, enthusiasm and conduct of everyone. The audience was astounded at the level of the performances. We want to thank Jan Malan and the Koelkamers for the opportunity.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Lize Brown, co-director of the West Coast Music Academy, has just been selected by the Western Cape Education Department to serve as an examiner for the Department. Lize is excellently qualified, she obtained her BMus degree, as well as Licentiate in various instruments and genres.

WCMA and WCYO's success can directly be attributed to the hard work and passion of Lize Brown and Carina Brown. In Lize's own words: "Our music education programmes play an important role in West Coast communities, whether large or small, and we need to support the artistic growth, social development and personal needs of our students. Carina and I are fully committed to expanding our music education programmes, which are already firmly established in the West Coast."

Congratulations, Lize.



**DID YOU KNOW?** Several well-known astronauts and other scientists performed in their school bands. Neil Armstrong, the first man to set foot on the moon, played the baritone in high school and college. Also, he was a member of the Purdue All-American Marching Band!

## MUSIC EDUCATION – SCHOOL SUBJECT & HIGHER CERTIFICATE

WCMA offers Music as a subject up to Grade 12 at **Curro Langebaan Independent School, Hopfield High 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.

Any prospective students who are interested in the **Certificate Courses** from the **University of Stellenbosch** or **Bridging Courses** at the local Satellite Campus are **welcome to make a Zoom appointment with Carina Brown @ [principal@westcoastmusicacademy.co.za](mailto:principal@westcoastmusicacademy.co.za)** where she will explain everything and pass on info.



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**Contact WCMA now for more information or visit our website to learn more.**

## GOOD LUCK

We want to wish all our Matric Music students good luck with their final exams. You put in the hard work, now is the time to reap the benefits.



## IMPORTANT DATES

- 1 Oct** - Public Schools close 3<sup>rd</sup> Term
- 11/12 Oct** - Curro & Public Schools open 4<sup>th</sup> Term
- 18 Oct** - UNISA Gr 6 Paper 1 Theory Exam
- 20 Oct** - UNISA Gr 2 Theory Exam
- UNISA Pre- Gr 1 Theory Exam
- 21 Oct** - UNISA Gr 1 Theory Exam
- UNISA Gr 3 - Theory Exam
- 22 Oct** - UNISA Gr 4 Theory Exam
- UNISA Gr 6 - Paper 2 Theory Exam
- 6 Nov** - Trinity Theory Exams @ Curro
- 23 Nov** - Certificate Programme US Awards Ceremony
- 15 Dec** - Curro & Public Schools close 4<sup>th</sup> Term

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