

Hubert van der Spuy

NATIONAL MUSIC COMPETITION

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Audition results: Hubert van der Spuy National Music Competition 2024

The annual Hubert van der Spuy National Music Competition, this year in its 35th year, has undoubtedly become one of the highlights on the music scene for young prodigies. Our 35 year celebration will be marked by a new collaboration with the Stellenbosch University Music Department.

Words from **Professor Mario Nell**, chairperson of the Stellenbosch University Music Department: "The Stellenbosch University Music Department is the oldest institution of its kind in South Africa, and boasts a proud tradition, spanning more than a century, of dedication to music education, the performing arts, creative work and academic research. The Hubert van der Spuy National Music Competition's commitment to identify, develop and provide public exposure to our country's outstanding young generation of classical musicians, fit hand in glove with the Music Department's commitment to reach out further into the school-going ages, and foster such young talents."

Words from chairperson of the Tygerberg branch of the South African Society of Music Teachers, **Hilda Boonzaier**:

"We are extremely excited for this milestone year of the Hubert van der Spuy National Music Competition. Celebrating 35 years is no small feat! We are utterly thrilled with the quality of entries and the diversity of instruments received from students across South Africa and Namibia. We wish everyone the very best as they prepare for our competition week."

We are proud to announce our new collaboration with Stellenbosch University Music Department. The beautiful Endler Hall will be our home from 16-20 September 2024. This collaboration will indeed introduce a new chapter to the rich history of our competition."

The Hubert van der Spuy National Music Competition is organised and presented by the Tygerberg branch of the South African Society of Music Teachers (SASMT). The first competition took place in 1989. Prof Hubert van der Spuy - former chairperson of the SASMT (Tygerberg Branch) and widely respected music educator, inspired the competition.

Professor van der Spuy's work ethic, integrity and charisma is legendary. Unisa recognised his enormous contribution in so many areas in 2011 and 2012 when he was awarded the Huberte Rupert Prize by the SA Academy for Arts and Science and an Honorary Licentiate in Music. In March 2023, he was honoured with the Lifetime Achievement award at the 13th KykNET Fiëstas.

He is an active member of the SASMT and served as National President for four terms. He is Patron of the Atterbury National Piano Competition since 2018. He is still active as an adjudicator and acts as external examiner for prominent universities. The optimal development of young musicians has always been a priority for van der Spuy and the establishment and continued success of this competition over more than three decades confirms his visionary role in the music life of South Africa.

The competition is currently the only one of its kind in South Africa and offers a unique opportunity for children aged 13 years and younger to compete against their peers from all across the nation. Several previous winners of the competition have not only gone on to study music at tertiary level but have also in turn become critically (even internationally) acclaimed performers and educators themselves. On occasion, others have returned to the competition as esteemed members of the jury panel.

The rigorous program demanded of participants ensures a high standard of quality is maintained, whilst providing them with a platform from which to gain invaluable performance experience. As custodians of young talent, the competition seeks to foster a positive environment in which the musical community of educators, their students and parents, can share ideas and support for one another.

Dr Marlene le Roux serves as **patron** of the Hubert van der Spuy National Music Competition since 2019. Dr Marlene le Roux is a South African disability and women's rights activist, co-founder of the Women's Achievement Network for Disability, and CEO of the Artscape Theatre Centre in Cape Town.

We are excited to announce the **successful applicants** for the 2024 Hubert van der Spuy National Music Competition.

Breakdown per area:

- Free State: 1
- Northern Cape: 2
- Western Cape: 22
- Gauteng: 19
- Eastern Cape: 2
- Namibia: 3

49 participants in total. For each region, we list the name, surname, instrument and age of each participant:

From **Free State (1)**:

Hendie Human	Clarinet	13
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From **Northern Cape (2)**:

Waldo Kotze	Clarinet	13
Dietrich Laubscher	Clarinet	13

From **Western Cape (22):**

Olivia Malan	Piano	12
William Cass	Piano	11
Benjamin Monvoisin	Clarinet	11
Julia Foye	Piano	13
Anneline Steenkamp	Piano	13
Isolde Venter	Piano	10
Jean Tai A'Koh Julius	Piano	12
April (Siqi) Lin	Piano	11
Kuishuo Liu	Piano	13
Nayima Ndlovu	Trumpet	12
Mike Haotian Yang	Piano	12
Izak Kriel	Clarinet	12
Jazmin Pietersen	Flute	13
Cathy Gravell	Flute	12
Jayden Ruiters	Trumpet	13
Vidya Bhoola	Cello	13
Markus van der Westhuizen	Cello	10
Milana du Toit	Violin	13
Luke Steenkamp	Cello	13
Gideon Venter	Cello	13
Jehoshua van Zyl	Cello	11
Saara Orrie	Violin	13

From **Gauteng (19):**

Dylan Price	Piano	13
Hiroyuki Numasawa	Violin	12
Sinran (Emilie) Yang	Piano	8
Naomi van Straaten	Piano	13
Laylah van Straaten	Piano	10
Bianke van Staden	Violin	13
Sienna Liu	Flute	10
Connor Liu	Piano	11
Milla Swart	Piano	11
Agnes Huang	Piano	11
Lia Kleynhans	Piano	7
Elsa Marais	Piano	7
Hanna Marais	Piano	8
Henning Bouwer	Flute	11
Carla van den Berg	Violin	12
Yuan Crafford	Recorder	13
Bokang Kutumela	Violin	9
Lili Bouwer	Recorder	13
Shiyu Qi	Violin	9

From **Eastern Cape (2)**:

Zara Simons	Recorder	12
Victor Le Du	Piano	12

From **Namibia (3)**:

Juliette Nel	Cello	11
Samuel Nel	Piano	13
Xin Yu Chen	Piano	13

The competition week will run from 16 - 20 September at the Endler Hall, Stellenbosch University. The competition final will be live streamed on 20 September from our YouTube channel. To join our audience at the Endler Hall, tickets will be available through Webtickets.

Kind Regards

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