

About Friends of Orchestral Music (Cape Town)

The Friends of Orchestral Music (Cape Town) – FOM – is a registered Public Benefit Organisation that has, as its main aim, the support of orchestral music and the development of students particularly from previously disadvantaged communities. We support students and orchestral organisations with orchestral training programmes that help act as a feeder system towards a classical career as an orchestral musician, and we support the broader enjoyment of classical music that can develop the community to become the audience of tomorrow who will in turn support professional musicians.

The objectives of the Friends are:

- “To assist in developing, generating and promoting awareness of orchestral music in greater Cape Town and surrounding areas in the Western Cape especially to previously disadvantaged communities such that access to the participation in performances is ensured *for all communities*”;
- “To raise funds to assist existing or potential orchestral players with specific emphasis on fostering the playing of classical music among the previously disadvantaged communities”;
- “To support, through financial contributions and scholarships, deserving students especially from previously disadvantaged communities to further their musical ability and instrumental studies with a view to pursuing a professional orchestral career”.

No profits or gains will accrue to any person as the funds of the Friends are utilised solely for the above objectives.

Orchestral Development (Section 18A of the Income Tax Act)

Funds from this portfolio are tax deductible and historically have been awarded to the following established educational organisations who provide essential grass roots level music training programmes:

1. Beau Soleil Music Centre;
2. Hugo Lambrechts Music Centre Development Programme;
3. Development projects of the Cape Town Philharmonic Orchestra (CPYO, Masidlale Project, CPYWE, CPO Academy);
4. Bursaries for students from the Western Cape to attend the Stellenbosch International Chamber Music Festival (SICMF);
5. Bursaries for students from the Western Cape to attend the SA National Youth Orchestra Course;
6. Spruitdrift Primary School Music Project;
7. Running costs and bursaries for students of the Western Cape to attend the Franschoek Chamber Music Workshop.

Banking Details

Should you wish to make a once-off donation via electronic funds transfer, please use **your name** and “**Donation**” as the beneficiary reference for your payment, so that we can allocate your payment accordingly.

Standard Bank

Account: Friends of Orchestral Music, Branch: Rondebosch, Code: 025009 Account No: 071 03 1146

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