



HESSEQUA
HARMONIE
HEIDELBERG

Die klein fees met die groot hart
17 - 21 SEPTEMBER 2024

INQUIRIES: 084 446 3200

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FESTIVAL MESSAGE

FROM THE DASJEESDRIFT TEATERHUIS



It remains a wonderful fact that the Hessequa Harmony was born from only four concerts and today, boasts with 25 performances. With classical music as the starting point, the festival also focuses on Afrikaans spoken word, book author discussions and theatre.

This festival is your cultural injection for Heritage Month. It's an experience like no other – neatly packaged, affordable and the opportunity to attend as many performances as possible without any overlap.

Get ready for unique top-tier performances. This year's programme includes a symphony orchestra, string ensembles, choral music, a new play by Riana Scheepers about the love affair between Frederick

Chopin and George Sand, cabaret and lighter music. Additionally, there is a series of author discussions and beautiful local art, presented by the Hessequa Art Route under the curatorship of Louise Kluyts. Coenie de Villiers returns, this year with his magnificent production "Op 'n eiland", the comedic character Magda Louw tells her story, and the celebrated quartet TAKE4 offers a variety of concerts. The festival also boasts a long table feast and even the opportunity to dance to the rhythm of the Cape Town Tango Ensemble. The Hessequa Harmony is of course known for the grand Gala Concert and the festival finale in the Dasjesdrift shed. It's not something to be missed.

Thank you to all our sponsors and festival friends who help make this annual event possible. Thanks to you, our patrons, we are able to bring the arts to the countryside. Finally, what is an arts festival manager without an excellent team? I therefore sincerely thank all my comrades.

Come celebrate the arts and listen to some of the most beautiful music in the heart of the Hessequa region, Heidelberg. Welcome yet again to the small festival with a big heart.

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DINE, DISCOVER, DELIGHT

FOOD AND BEVERAGE

Proeviant, Delish, Heidelberg Hotel, Die Rooi Pot, Inspired, Pizza World, Copper Blue, Wimpy, Blue Crane, Die Skeerhok, Spensjolyt, NG Church booth

ART, COFFEE AND CAKE

Firefly Studio, 68 Van Riebeeck Street Star Nation, 11 Van Riebeeck Street, Proeviant, next to Delish

FESTIVAL VENUES

Doornboom Opstal, NG Church, NG Church Hall, Town Hall, Die Skeerhok, Dasjesdrift, Proeviant

ART EXHIBITIONS

Doornboom Opstal, Heidelberg Hotel, Banketsaal, Town Hall, Firefly Studio, Starnation Studio, Library, Proeviant



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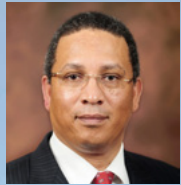
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TUESDAY • 17 SEPTEMBER



Farmer's Breakfast LIFESTYLE (120min) R250

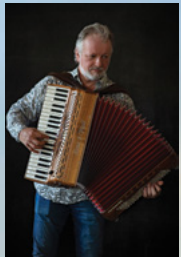


Presented by the editor of *Die Landbou Burger*, **Samantha van den Berg**. Join her as she speaks to Dr Ivan Meyer, Western Cape Minister of Agriculture, about the current and future state of agriculture in the region.

A farm style breakfast and a cup of coffee is included.

09:00 | Skeerhok Padstal

Harmony Long Table LIFESTYLE (180min) R350



With the **Cape Town Tango Ensemble**: **Stanislav Angelov** (accordion), **Dan Shout** (saxophone), **Sibusiso Matsimela** (double bass) and **Albert Combrink** (piano).

A lively evening affair featuring tango, waltz, and polka music, along with delicious food is offered this year at the festival for the first time. The Cape Town Tango Ensemble will perform, while the finest food and wine will be served. Guest artists include Niël Rademan and Lynelle Kenned.

19:00 | Heidelberg Town Hall

WEDNESDAY • 18 SEPTEMBER

Book Breakfast LITERATURE (120min) R220



With **Riëtte Rust** / Presenter: **Haidee Muller-Isaacs**

Rub shoulders with this celebrated writer and even purchase her latest book titled *Die geskenk – Liefde, selfdood en dieper leef. 'n Memoirs*.

A light breakfast is included.

09:00 | Doornboom Opstal (Fouriehuis)

Music of the Night CLASSICAL (60min) R200

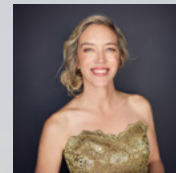


Featuring **Lynelle Kenned** (soprano), **Corneil Muller** (baritone), **Zanta Hofmeyr** (violin), **Jeanne-Louise Moolman** (viola), **Susan Mouton** (cello), and **Elna van der Merwe** (piano)

Timeless classical hits from *Les Misérables*, *Chess*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *The Sound of Music* and *West Side Story* are infused with new energy through inspired performances.

18:00 | Heidelberg Town Hall

Koffer in Berlyn THEATRE & CABARET (60min) R200



Jacobi de Villiers (alto) and **Elna van der Merwe** (piano) perform the most beautiful German music with a storyline that speaks of a bygone era.

20:00 | Proeviaand



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Book Breakfast LITERATURE (120min) **R220**



With Danie Marais (poet) / Presenter: Haidee Muller-Isaacs. Haidee Muller-Isaacs talks to the celebrated poet and music enthusiast Danie Marais about his poetry anthology *Ek en jy bestaan nie*.

A light breakfast is included.

09:00 | Doornboom Opstal (Fouriehuis)

Vino & Viola LIFESTYLE (120min) **R250**



With Jeanne-Louise Moolman (viola) and Elna van der Merwe (piano)

A music and wine pairing featuring the country's best Pinotage along with viola music from various parts of the world where this wine is enjoyed and celebrated like in South Africa.

11:30 | Proeviand

Rachmaninoff Rendezvous CLASSICAL (60min) **R220**



With Zanta Hofmeyr (violin), Jeanne-Louise Moolman (viola), Susan Mouton (cello), and Elna van der Merwe (piano)

TAKE4 are four celebrated women who passionately make music together, Rachmaninoff has been dusted off and performed like never before.

18:00 | Heidelberg Town Hall

Magda Louw THEATRE (60min) **R220**



With Desiré Gardner
Text: Desiré Gardner
Directing: Hannes van Wyk
Production Manager: Nelius Ferreira

In her autumn years, Magda Louw finds herself on national television. Suddenly, she's not just the woman down the street anymore but the woman in people's living rooms – and now also the woman on stage. What will she let slip with a microphone in hand? What is her view on social media, weight, the wrinkles around her neckline, travel and even rice? Will she be able to shed the few extra kilos before her performance, and most importantly, how on earth will she remember all her words?

20:00 | NG Kerksaal

Book Breakfast LITERATURE (120min) **R220**



Belinda Kruiper (Kalahari-skrywer) / Presenter: Lyntjie Jaars This promises to be a unique experience with an enigmatic and colourful author and storyteller – an artist like few others! The beloved Lyntjie Jaars talks to Belinda Kruiper about her book *Kalahari Waarheid*.

A light breakfast is included.

09:00 | Doornboom Opstal (Fouriehuis)

Kamermusiek & Koek CLASSICAL (120min) **R300**



(Mozart & Fauré) With Zanta Hofmeyr (violin), Jeanne-Louise Moolman (viola), Susan Mouton (cello), and Elna van der Merwe (piano)

The passionate ensemble TAKE4 entertains you with their beautiful chamber music by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Gabriel Fauré.

A delicious piece cake and coffee/tea will be served.

11:30 at Proeviand

Op 'n Eiland LIGHTER MUSIC (80min) **R220**



With Coenie de Villiers and guest artist Mauritz Lotz Music legend Coenie de Villiers returns with a new show, "Op 'n Eiland," featuring songs he's performing for the first time. Guitar maestro Mauritz Lotz joins him. De Villiers shares stories from his time in Cyprus and Greece, using music to convey his travel experiences and inspirations.

17:30 | Heidelberg Town Hall

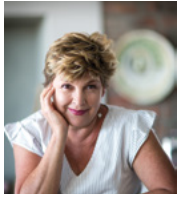
ATKV Gala Concert CLASSICAL (90min) **R160**



With Reghardt Kühn (conductor), the Winelands Philharmonic Orchestra, Janel Speelman (soprano), Jacobi Benkenstein (mezzo-soprano), Niël Rademan (baritone), Corneil Muller (baritone), as well as a enormous community choir under the direction of Betsie Ryke.

This massive concert is already an institution at the Hessequa Harmonie. Definitely a show to remember!

19:00 | NG Church

Book Breakfast LITERATURE (120min) **R220**

With Riana Scheepers / Haidee Muller-Isaacs

She talks about children's books and her love for theatre. Riana is also the writer of "Hoe mooi val die lig", which will be playing on Saturday afternoon at Dasjesdrift.

A light breakfast is included.

11:00 | Dasjesdrift Teaterhuis

Hoe mooi val die lig CLASSICAL & THEATRE (60min) **R200**

With Jose Dias (pianist) and Liza-Marié Loubser

Text: Riana Scheepers

Directing: Niël Rademan

Design: Lindi Smit

This is an unlikely love affair between the infamous French novelist George Sand and the brilliant pianist Frédéric Chopin. Their tumultuous relationship is depicted through music and words in a small masterpiece, showcasing their passion and torment while creating sublime art. The story is told in Afrikaans and French.

14:30 | Dasjesdrift Shed

Festival Finale Concert (120min) **R180**

Featuring Janel Speelman (soprano), Jacobi Benkenstein (mezzo-soprano), Corneil Muller (baritone), Niël Rademan (baritone), Zanta Hofmeyr (violin), Suzanne Mouton (cello), and Elna van der Merwe (piano).

A variety of beautiful well-known lighter classical and popular music will be performed.

PLEASE BRING CASH FOR SNACKS AVAILABLE

16:30 | Dasjesdrift Shed

DAILY ART PROGRAMME (TUESDAY – FRIDAY)

HSQA Art Route Exhibition: Harmony – Our Hands Speak Stories.
Doornboom Opstal (Fouriehuis) | 12:00-17:00 | FREE

HSQA Art Route Exhibition: Forté – Fragments of Truth
Heidelberg Town Hall | 10:00-18:00 | FREE

HSQA Art Route Children's Art Exhibition: Symphony – Four Seasons in the Garden of Eden
Heidelberg Town Library | 10:00-17:00 | FREE

Solo Exhibition: Zelda Truter
Heidelberg Hotel | 10:00-18:00 | FREE

Ensemble Exhibition: Louise Kluys, Francois Gunter, Pieter van der Bank and Andries Kluys
Star Nation Gallery | 11 Van Riebeeck Street | FREE

Trio Exhibition: Dina Grobler and friends
Firefly Studio | 68 Van Riebeeck Street | 10:00-17:00 | FREE
Coffee and cake

Art classes: Dina Grobler (Paint a ceramic plate, bowl or cup)
Firefly Studio | 68 Van Riebeeck Street | 072 373 4022 | Coffee and cake

Art classes: Louise Kluys (Pen & Ink workshop)
Star Nation Gallery | 11 Van Riebeeck Street | 19 September 09:00-12:00 |
21 September 09:00-12:00

Andries Kluys: Make your own frying pan
Star Nation Gallery | 11 Van Riebeeck Street | 18-20 September
14:00-17:00 | 082 895 8003

PVB Knives: Knife-making workshop
Star Nation Gallery | 11 Van Riebeeck Street | 18-20 September
14:00-17:00 | 084 659 7652

SPECIAL PROJECTS AND OUTREACH CONCERT: Making music with Miss Cobi
Join celebrated singer Jacobi de Villiers for musical adventures with a carnival of animals! Toddlers and preschoolers are invited to join the fun at our music factory where laughter, delightful tunes and playful lyrics await. Join us at Heidelberg Primary Preschool | 20 September from 11:00

Voor-innie-koor Choir Singing Workshops
Hessequa region | August and September
Local choirs and singing groups are welcome to be part of the buildup to singing together at the gala concert on Friday, 20 September 20th. For participation, contact Betsie Ryke at betsie@ruralarts.co.za

HSQA Art Route Children's Art Competition
Hessequa region | July to September
To participate, contact Louise Kluys at louise@starnationart.co.za

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