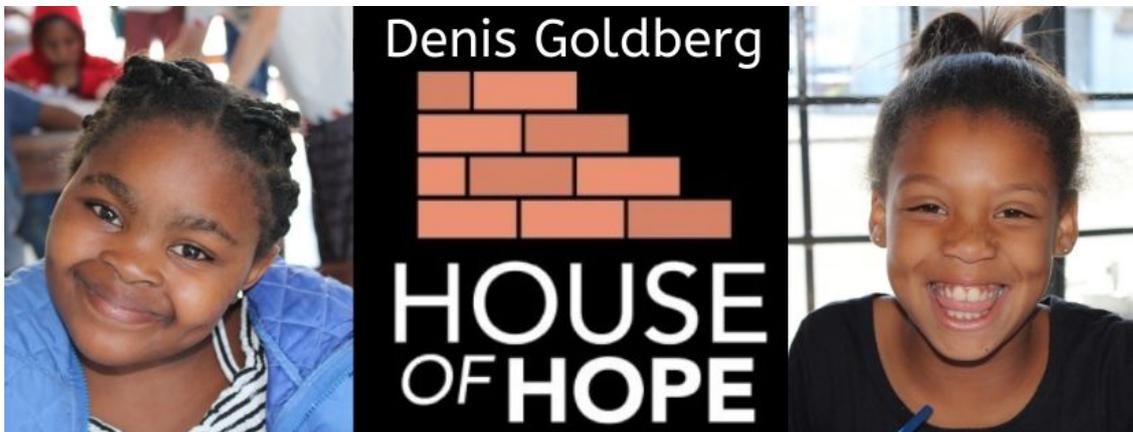


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DANCE IT OUT 2019



Dancing, it is said, is motion that arises from emotion. Dancing has therefore always been deeply embedded in the activities and rituals of every known civilisation.

It is therefore no surprise that our Trust organised a dance event as the final 2019 holiday programme. And in 2020, we will be collaborating with Jazzart to provide regular Saturday morning hip hop classes in Hout Bay.

For the December programme, Mainstream Mall kindly offered the use of their open-air auditorium for our Dance It Out. They also arranged for Pick 'n Pay to provide a sandwich and juice lunch for the child performers. Many other people helped to make the day a success.

At the start, the children were divided into two groups. One group went with local ballet teacher, Kate McCallum, to her studio. There they learned a contemporary dance routine, with Roxy Levy, Maureen Shagam and Noma Matiwane helping. The other group learnt a hip hop routine from our old friend Chad van Rooyen, who regularly assists with holiday programmes. Teagan Goff, another old friend, worked with Chad.

None of the children had previously received formal training. Some may not have ever tried contemporary dance or hip hop before. But after two hours of practice and the Pick 'n Pay lunch, they were ready to perform!

We were very lucky to have our new friend, Joey Burke, acting as master of ceremonies. He very quickly won everyone's attention with his humour, quirkiness, juggling, and magic tricks – and his ability to make those he called up to assist in his antics feel comfortable. We will definitely call on Joey again.

We also had two more professional dancers showing what can be achieved with more practice (and, of course, talent). The children were almost as interested in Ariel Kedem's pointe shoes and the elasticity of her warm-up stretches as in her tutu-clad performance. Jayo (Jason Minnaar) showed a different style of elasticity in his cool hip hop performance.

And then there were the children! You can see parts of their performance in the youtube video on our Facebook page – the hip hop dancers in their yellow ribbons, and the contemporary dancers decorated in orange. There is real nascent talent in this community.

The afternoon ended with a prize-giving – one that signalled that this was not the end of the fun. Each child received a free ticket, donated by Cape Town City Ballet, to see *A Christmas Carol – the story of Scrooge* at Artscape. So less than a week later, everyone climbed on two buses to go on this night-time adventure to the magic of a real ballet performance in a real theatre.

Our heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed, including John Henry who managed the sound system, and Denis and others who came to watch the performance.



Watch Dance It Out 2019 now



A CONCERT AT THE DENIS GOLDBERG HOUSE OF HOPE SITE



Many of our friends will remember the amazing concert that the Denis Goldberg Trust organised in April 2018 on the occasion of Denis's 85th birthday. That concert took place at the Hugo Lambrecht Theatre in Parow.

To celebrate the new decade, we will host another amazing concert on Thursday evening 13 February 2020. This concert will be held in a large marquee on the Hout Bay Museum site where the Denis Goldberg House of Hope will be built.

As with the 85th birthday concert, the February concert is the brainchild of South African-born violist and overtone singer, Gareth Lubbe. The February 2020 concert will include dancing and story-telling alongside music.

Mathijs van Dijk is composing a special piece of music for the event. The music will be performed by young musicians from Soweto's Miagi orchestra, as well as by cellist Trey Lee, who lives and works in Canada, Hong Kong and Germany.

Choreographer Jessica Nupen will work with the young Hong Kong dancer, Erita Chen, and Abigail Overmeyer and Rian Jansen of Jazzart to create a dance to the music. Story-teller, musician and artist Zanele Ndlovu will work alongside the others to bring her magic to the performance.

In addition to this specially created collaborative piece, the concert will include performances by two Hout Bay groups – Imizamo Yethu's Ingoma choir, and child dancers from Amoyo Performing Arts Centre. Both groups are also old friends who have collaborated previously with the Denis Goldberg Trust and House of Hope.

We hope that you will join us at this concert to celebrate the establishment of the Denis Goldberg House of Hope arts and culture education centre as a place where children and youth from the different communities of the area can come together to dream, to grow, to learn and to enrich their lives.

As an added attraction, before feasting on the music, dance and story-telling, concert-goers can enjoy a plate of breyani which is included in the ticket price.

Space will be limited. So book now!!!

Book Now - Ukifikelela Concert

EXCITING PLANS FOR 2020

The February concert is not the only plan we have for 2020. We will also:

- Provide hip hop classes for Hout Bay children on Saturday mornings at the Kronendal Primary School, in partnership with Jazzart
- Host three-day courses, in partnership with ICDL, to introduce young people to computers through ICDL's certificated basic course
- Have five-day pottery workshops for children in school holidays in partnership with Lissa Claassens and Julie Anderson and Katie Forsyth at Earthworx
- Introduce Hout Bay art teachers to the Imbali set of art books and explore with them how the books can be used in school art classes
- Continue our partnership with the Cape Cultural Collective, which sees a group of Hout Bay children join children from other areas in the Rosa Junior Choir on Saturdays
- Continue with our regular holiday programmes which each time offer a different mix of arts, crafts, and movement.

The fact that we do not yet have our own building will certainly not prevent our offering these and other opportunities to the children and youth of Hout Bay.

Finally, if you have not yet been to see it, the Third World in World War Two exhibition is still on display from 11 to 3 every weekday at the Desmond and Leah Tutu Foundation Trust, Old Granary Building in Buitenkant Street. It will be on display there until end February 2020 and will be of particular interest to Grade 9 learners as it links to their syllabus.

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