

**Katleho Mokhosi (Drama 2008)** is currently the Secretary of the Wits Law Students Council 2012/13 and he has been working on the law school magazine, The Summons: Official WITS Law School Student's Magazine.

"After I graduate from the Wits Law school with my LLB degree I would like to do my pupillage at the Cape Bar. Besides that, I would like to be an entrepreneur and be my own boss. Another passion of mine is entertainment law. I did my high school at The National School of the Arts so I know that there are many artists who need lawyers. They often get the raw end of the deal when entering into contracts as they do not understand the legal jargon that is used in contracts. Helping children from disadvantaged backgrounds is something I am very passionate about. I would like to someday be able to set up a trust fund where I fund tertiary education for disadvantaged children who come from impoverished backgrounds."



**Eileen Hargreaves:** "Congratulations on your achievements. My daughter, Samantha, was a Dance student in 1985. I have always admired students in all the mediums, as even if they move on to other fields, as has she, they are invariably successful. Your oratory training will be of great benefit to you in your chosen field. Good luck!"

**Snippets**



Gorgeous JJ singing with **Si Anne (Cont Music 2002)** on "Fall Apart" LIVE ON YFM 99.2 on Monday, 6 May 2013.



**Cindy Tshivhasa (Art 2012)** has been shortlisted for the ambassador search for FabroSanz, a fashion house for the stylish modern day working women with an intricate eye for beautiful garments.

Vote for Cindy by clicking on the drop down menu at the bottom of this page : <http://fabrosanz.com/frs-ambassador-search/>. Competition ends on the 18th of May.



**Briony Di Horwitz (Drama 2001)**

**Brenda Sakellarides:**

"Well deserved! An engaging sensitive performance - congratulations Briony. Many audiences await you!!"

**Moira de Swardt:**

"I loved this. I saw it at the National School of the Arts Festival of Fame."

**Stephan Aucamp:**

"It was absolutely brilliant, wonderful, thoughtful, sensitive performance, well done Briony!"



Eastern Cape Philharmonic Society /  
Oos-Kaapse Filharmoniese Vereniging

**Khanyisile Mthethwa (Music 2003)** is the current principal flute of the Eastern Cape Philharmonic Orchestra.

Khanyisile was born in Johannesburg. She began her musical education at the age of 15 at the Centre for Gifted Children in Johannesburg in 2000. The following year she was admitted to study at The National School of the Arts where she completed high school.

After graduating from the NSA with full colours she studied at the University of Pretoria. After two years of study she transferred her studies to the Music Conservatoire in Nice in France. She graduated as the Premier Prix Laureate. In 2009 she completed her performance diploma study at the Conservatoire National Superior in Paris.

She has played with the Johannesburg Philharmonic Orchestra, Johannesburg

Festival Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra of South Africa, MIAGI Festival Orchestra, Free State Symphony Orchestra and Kwa-Zulu Natal Philharmonic Orchestra.

She has played solo performances with the Johannesburg Philharmonic Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra of South Africa, KwaZulu Natal Philharmonic Orchestra, Milan Soloists, Nice Summer Festival Orchestra and at the Saint Chapelle in Paris. She has played recitals in all the major cities in South Africa, in Atlanta, Washington DC, Milan, Rome, Como, Geneva, London and Paris. She was recently shortlisted for the principal flute position of the London Philharmonic Orchestra.



Khanyisile is a National Youth Orchestra alumni.

## Snippets



Othello will be on at POPart Theatre in Maboneng from 15 - 19 May 2013.

Directed by ex-NSA student: **Denel Honeyball (Drama 2004)** and starring ex-NSA students **Craig Wainwright (Drama 2004)** as Iago and **Nadia Woodward (Drama 2004)** as Emilia.



### MTN SAMAs 2013:

Contemporary music band Freshly Ground with violinist **Kyla-Rose Smith (Cont Music 1999)** won the Group of the Year award for their most recent album, 'Take Me to the Dance' at the 2013 South African Music Awards (SAMAs) on Saturday.

**Chiano Sky (Cont Music 2010)** had five nominations for her album, Hungry. **Snotkop (Francois Henning) (Art 1991 - Die Kruijn)** had been nominated for Best Pop.



(**Lynne-Marie Eatwell - Art 1999 & Eric Oswald Eatwell (Art 1991)**): After our long sabbatical we are once again opening our doors to the public in our very own premises on the Noordhoek Main Road just across from the Noordhoek Farm Village. Please come and see our beautiful new studio surrounded by mountains and Oak trees in the Cape.

## Dan's anything but wooden



Dan Patlansky performs at Splashy Fen 2013 near Underberg.  
Picture: Shelley Kjonstad

April 17 2013 *The Star Tonight*  
By Therese Owen

The guitar has been suffering over the last few years. Enter **Dan Patlansky (Cont Music 2000)** and his latest album, *Wooden Thoughts*. This is an

album that will save serious music lovers from despair.

It is his first acoustic album and his sixth album over all. Patlansky is considered one of the best blues guitarists in the country with only Albert Frost as his main rival. *Wooden Thoughts* consists of Leonard Cohen and Bob Dylan covers, as well as his original music. It also contains his first radio friendly track.

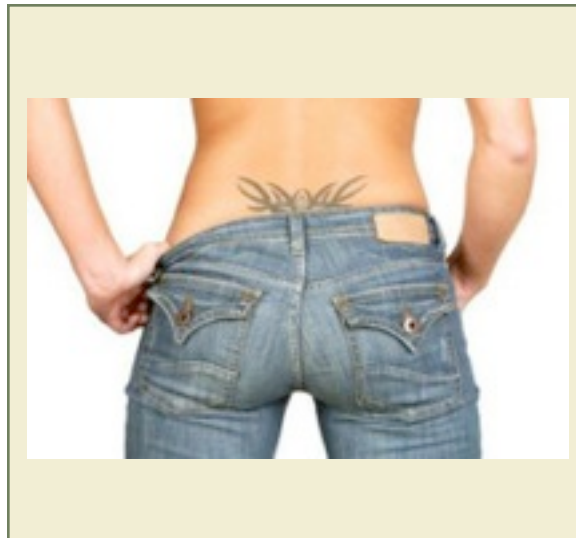
Over a late breakfast Patlansky explains how his life has changed since the release of his previous album, *20 Stones*.

The album was in the Top 10 blues albums for 2012 in the world renowned magazine, Blues Rock Review.

With *Wooden Thoughts*, Patlansky has outdone himself and produced a work of art that can only be created on a guitar. For some real music with great lyrics, give *Wooden Thoughts* a listen.



Graduate of The Johannesburg ABDM School with experience as a Graphic Artist, Art Director and Production Designer on the international film circuit, **Mark Buckingham (Art 1986)** has been practicing the craft of ink since 1995. After finding the perfect venue on the vibey Gleneagles strip in Greenside, and opening the Emerald Rain Tattoo Shop, he's been specialising in tribal, portrait and old and new school tattoos, as well as custom designs. Vouchers toward tattoo line work at Emerald Rain Tattoos (From R99): <http://www.groupon.co.za/deals/johannesburg/Emerald-Rain-Tattoos/20682031>



## Snippets



The Dance Department welcomes **Haydee Baker (Dance 1994)** as a substitute teacher for Mrs Hurter, who is on accouchement leave until end of May.



**Axene (Cont Music 2010)** has joined the band BlackByrd, who has enjoyed number one spots on radio stations in South Africa.

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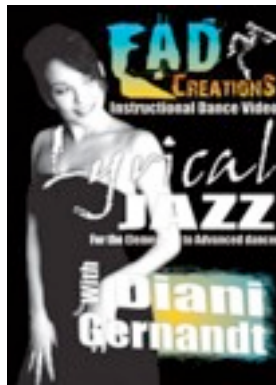
**Jozua Davids (Music Grade 10)** has successfully completed an audition to take part as a saxophonist in this year's MIAGI Youth Orchestra residential course at Heron Bridge College, Johannesburg from Saturday April 27th to Saturday 5th May inclusive.



**Diani Gernandt nee Joubert (Dance 2000)** began her career shortly after completing her studies at The National School of the Arts, when she joined the acclaimed South African Ballet Theatre. From classical ballet she moved on to the contemporary dance genre, joining the Fantastic Flying Fish Dance Company in Durban for some time.

Diani found herself greatly privileged to make her debut into

the world of musical theatre as part of the momentous production of *Chicago - the Musical*. During a season of performing with the cast of the Coral Princess Cruise Liners; she performed in a variety of vibrant productions. Diani is currently in roller-skate training for the first ever South African production of *Starlight Express* in 2013, for which she is delighted to serve as joint Dance Captain. Diani can be seen as featured dancer in the 50's Afrikaans Musical feature film – *Pretville*, released Nov 2012, where she



also acted as Assistant Choreographer on the project. The 2012 KykNET's Silwerskerm Filmfees, saw Diani in a new capacity as Assistant Director on a short film screenplay *Uit die Kaskenades*, which was one of 10 films commissioned from 450 other entries. For 3 years, Diani fulfilled the role of Artistic Ambassador at Mosaïek in Fairland, where she co-created, choreographed and directed several productions and events. Diani has completed a BCom Marketing Degree and is the co-owner of FADCreationS. FADCreationS' passion, focus and calling is the development and encouragement of our up-and-coming young artists; to provide multiple platforms for their training and to nurture the creative talents that will undoubtedly become the future of our industry in South Africa. This accomplished artist can also be found applying her skills and craft as talented actress, presenter and voice artist.

**Tulsa Pittaway (Music 1992)** was born on Dec 9, 1974 in Harare, Zimbabwe. His parents immigrated to South Africa while he was still an infant where he grew up and attended school. Having been born into an artistic family he was surrounded by music from a very early age and played his first club gig professionally when he was 14.

In 1988 he joined the Park Town Boys High School Cadet band as a side drummer where he received his first formal musical training with renowned world champion drummer Jeff Owen. This foundation was a cornerstone in Tulsa's musical career. A year later he moved to The National School of The Arts where he majored in orchestral percussion with piano as his second instrument. In 1992 he graduated with a distinction in percussion and went on to join the South African Army senior staff band as a drummer and percussionist where he was eventually promoted to the position of section leader

In January 2000 Tulsa joined the band Watershed, recording two full albums and touring both locally and abroad. During this time Tulsa was awarded 2 Gold and 1 Platinum Sales Awards from EMI South Africa.

Tulsa has performed with international artists such as Kim Leanne and has performed alongside artists



Tulsa Pittaway

such as The Cranberries, David Grey, Evanescence, 3 Doors Down, Stained and Hoobastank, Snow Patrol and Oasis.

In February 2007, Tulsa joined EVOLVER who continue to promote, record and tour.

In August of 2008, Tulsa released a debut solo album titled "All You Have".

## SA's Got Talent



Auditions for the new season of SA's Got Talent starts in May.

SA's Got Talent is a country-wide talent search for South Africa's next great act. Singers, dancers, comedians, variety acts, and other talents of all ages are welcome to show us what they've got at the auditions starting this month. Any age, any act. If you think you've got what it takes come impress us at these audition venues...

Audition dates and venues:

### Durban

When: Saturday, 18th May

Where: Olive Convention Centre, Corner Somsteu Road 81 & Sylvester Ntuli Road, (Brickhill Road), Durban.

Registration Time: Opens at 7:00AM and closes at 12PM.

### Johannesburg

When: Saturday, 25th & Sunday, 26th May

Where: Focus Rooms, The Core, 1st Floor South, Corner Kikuyu and Leeuwkop Streets, Sunninghill.

Registration Times: Opens at 7:00AM and closes at 12PM.

### Cape Town

When: Saturday, 1 June & Sunday, 2 June

Where: The River Club, Liesbeek Parkway, Observatory, Cape Town.

Registration Times: Opens at 7:00AM and closes at 12PM.

You can rock up on the day, or get a head start, pre-register.

If you have any other queries email us at: [queries@rapidblue.com](mailto:queries@rapidblue.com)

## The Marshall Music Acoustic Competition

The Marshall Music Acoustic Competition on Sunday, May 12 features 14 acoustic artists in action all vying for a place in the semi finals.

There are four dates left for acoustic soloists or duos to enter:

### DATES

May - Sunday, 19 / 26

June - Sunday, 2 / 9

Semi-finals: Monday June 17 / Sunday June 23

Finals - Sunday, 30 June



At the finals Marshall Music is sponsoring a GS MINI, Taylor guitar worth R7000 as first prize and Rumours is sponsoring R5000 cash. The overall winner will also have the opportunity of performing at the Rumours New Years Eve Bash.

Each acoustic artist performs three songs - these can either be original compositions, covers or instrumentals; or a combination.

To book or for further information contact the Squire on [emergingsounds@mweb.co.za](mailto:emergingsounds@mweb.co.za) / 074 897 9326 (after 17:00 on weekdays and all weekend).

### Mika Stefano (Drama 2004)



## Snippets



**Tiffany 'Jones' Barbuzano (Drama 1996)** from Localala Productions and **Meren Reddy (Drama 1999)** from Ghost Sheep Productions was part of the team who broke the world record for the fastest film ever made from script to screen.

On May 1st, a team of young, homegrown industry professionals met to begin the scripting of a brand new South African feature film. Eleven days later, this film premiered at the Bioscope in Maboneng and the Official World Record now belongs in Joziwood.



**Ryan Greenwood (Music 2012)** during the Klipdrift Battle of the Bands 2013.

Johannesburg Youth Ballet rehearsing in the NSA dance studio for their upcoming performance of Hansel and Gretel, featuring Nigel Hannah, who taught ballet classes at NSA from 1994 until 2002.



Ashwell Glasson:

"It is fantastic to see a ballet stalwart like Nigel Hannah involved with the Youth Ballet. Fantastic!"

Sonja Van Ham:

"Mr Hannah, what a privilege it was to be taught by you!!!!!! Love you soooooooooo much"

Danielle Scheepers:

"Still the greatest Mr.H x"

Hillaine Sachs:

"Always so professional, everyone must learn from you xx"

Lucille Smithson:

"Very proud to have attended that school."

Carmen Leonard:

"Brings back so many happy memories!! "

Sylvia Greslé:

"Such wonderful memories of when my daughter was there:)"

Kate Retief:

"As a past pupil and now the artistic director of JYB, it is like coming full circle and to see my children working in a space where I learned is wonderful!"

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**DANCE  
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**2013**

CENTENARY HALL  
GRAHAMSTOWN

June 29<sup>th</sup> 18:00

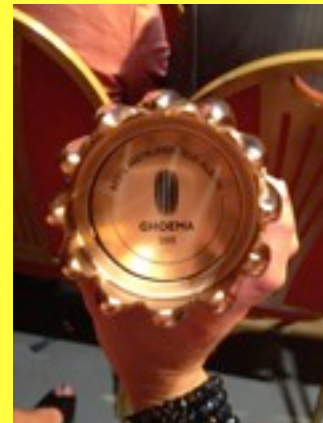
July 1<sup>st</sup> 16:00 and 22:30

July 2<sup>nd</sup> 10:30



**Nolo Phiri (Art 2004)**, loved for her role as Nikki on Rhythm City, was born in Limpopo in a village called Musina. She moved to Joburg with her mother in 1990 and studied at The National School of the Arts. After matric, Nolo pursued her love for the arts at Wits, where she completed her Honours in Dramatic Arts. She later landed a role on Rhythm City and has recently made her debut into the fashion industry as a brand ambassador for RAGE. She is also an executive producer at Redefine Multimedia, and has produced numerous documentaries as well as vibrant music videos for artists like Mandoza and Psyfo. When she is not in front of the camera, Nolo extends her talent to emceeing.

## Snippets



**Ghoema Afrikaans Music Awards.**



Sterling EQ, with **Eriel Huang (Music 2003)** won the award for Best Instrumental Album at the Ghoema Afrikaans Music Awards.



**Ruan Kruger (Cont Music 1992)** is the drummer for Straatligkinders. They recently won the award for Best Rock Group at the Ghoema Afrikaans Music Awards.

## Lovilee Interview with Genevieve Crystal Myburgh nee Fundaro (Art 2004)



### How did you become a photographer?

I think Photography has always been a part of my life. I can remember still being in diapers and my Oupa following me around with his Canon T90 and telling me how he spent years taking wedding photos in the “old” days. When I was 11 and got my first camera, a silly little “mik n drik” film camera that had me spending all my pocket money on film and getting the photos developed, being at The National School of Arts making a pin hole camera in my first lesson and then falling in love with the Darkroom process. Also being at University and having Photography as an additional subject that had me so

inspired I used to spend more time on the Photography projects than on my actual subjects.

I also modelled for a while which taught me so much about what the photographer actually wants and finally, inheriting my beloved Uncle Craig’s camera, a Minolta 7xi which was the beginning of my journey to becoming a professional photographer.

Full article: <http://www.lovilee.co.za/2013/interviewing-blaw-photography/#.UWurURUaK1s>

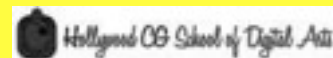
## Grahamstown Arts Festival 2013 (NSA Drama Department)



### VELVET BEAN AND E=mcSquared (A double-bill)

Venue: Scout Hall  
Tickets: R40/R35/R35  
FIRST PERFORMANCE IS FREE!  
03 July 10:00 & 20:00;  
04 July 14:00  
05 July 20:00  
06 July 12:00 & 18:00

## Snippets



The Hollywood CG School of Digital Arts (Shepherd University) in California, USA is now offering full scholarships to students who want to be part of the next generation of global leaders in the entertainment and digital contents industry.

Email: [hcg-admission@shepherduniversity.edu](mailto:hcg-admission@shepherduniversity.edu)

Phone: 323.550.8888

The school information: <http://www.shepherduniversity.edu/>



There is a new face leading the classical music scene in Bloemfontein – and he has already got everyone sitting up straight and taking notice. **Samson Diamond (Music 2001)**, is the new leader of the Odeion String Quartet, concert master of the Free State Symphony Orchestra and lecturer at the University of the Free State School of Music.