



## “A Peek Inside the VOX”

An Open Rehearsal with VOX Cape Town

Studio Rehearsal Room, Baxter Theatre Centre

11 AM to 1 PM on Saturday 25 May 2024



Today we will sing a selection of the following music:

### Butterfly

Mia Makaroff (b. 1970, Finland)

### Sicut Cervus

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525/6–1594)  
Psalm 42

### The Blue Bird

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)  
Words by Mary E. Coleridge (1861–1907)

### Pula, Pula!

Franco Prinsloo (b. 1987)\*

### ‘Wie Sing?’ and ‘Te snel’ from Weggewerp

Hans Huyssen (b. 1964)\*  
Words by WEG Louw (1913–1980)\*

### Caged Bird

Nicky Schrire (b. 1986)\*  
Words by Maya Angelou (1928–2014)  
First performed by VOX at ‘Flower Songs’ in 2019

### Molweni

Grant McLachlan (b. 1956)\*  
Words by David Parry-Davies\*  
Commissioned by VOX for the Eco-Logic Awards 2018

### Stars

Ēriks Ešenvalds (b. 1977, Latvia)  
Words by Sara Teasdale (1884–1933)

### The Seal Lullaby

Eric Whitacre (b. 1970, United States)  
Words by Rudyard Kipling (1865–1936)

### Cloudburst

Eric Whitacre  
Words by Octavio Paz (1914–1998)

\* South African

We are excited and grateful to be joined today by two local composers, Nicky Schrire and Grant McLachlan!

We will take a short break around noon. Please join us for a glass of wine then (and afterwards!); there is a cash bar outside.

More information about the music, as well as links to the texts and translations, are available on a special webpage. Kindly scan the code below using your device’s camera:



**Soprano:** Suzanne Buchanan, Megan Gardner, Christina Goodall, Lia Hall, Carelize Klopper, Fran Laenen, Maryanne McLachlan, \*Kirsten Rowe, Anthea van Wieringen, Carol Williams

**Alto:** Samantha Ash, Suzie Cameron, \*Elinor Driver, Tessa Gawith, Karen Hahne, Sally Hofmeyr, Jessica Lambert, Sarah McArthur, James Nilsen-Misra, \*Esma Pretorius, Jean Westwood, Karin-Marie Wilson

**Tenor:** \*Matt Beck, Dane Bezuidenhout, Dirk Binneman, Peter Borchers, \*Casey Driver, Jennifer Matlock, Kyle Paulssen, Roxane Steffen, Bevan Timm

**Bass:** Chris Arnold, Jan Buys, Simon Hartley, Aaron Juritz, James Lister, John Rennie, Louis Swart, Hedley Twidle, Stefan van der Westhuizen

**Founder and Director:** John Woodland  
**Imagininer:** Kyle Paulssen

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If you enjoyed this open rehearsal, please drop us a line at [hello@voxcapetown.com](mailto:hello@voxcapetown.com) or connect with us on social media @VOXCapeTown. We would love to hear from you!



THIS OPEN REHEARSAL IS IN PREPARATION FOR:

### “VOX: Tree of Life” at the FynArts Festival

Saturday 8 June 2024 at 6:30 PM  
Dutch Reformed Church, Hermanus  
Bookings via Webtickets: [bit.ly/3Ufv80Z](https://bit.ly/3Ufv80Z)

For millennia, trees have been associated with growth, strength and individuality – with their deep, entangled roots and wide-reaching branches also representing the interconnectedness of life. This is the central inspiration for our immersive presentation at this year’s Hermanus FynArts that celebrates the splendour of the natural world and the unique biodiversity of that magical coastal town.

Our choral offerings will range from the polyphony of Palestrina to captivating miniatures by Stanford and Mia Makaroff – and music written in the last decade by no fewer than four South African composers. Our voices will be accompanied by the celestial sounds of tuned wine glasses in *Stars* by Ēriks Ešenvalds, and other instruments as we unleash the kinetic energy of Eric Whitacre’s *Cloudburst*.

### SAVE THE DATES!

### VOX at the Olympia Bakery, Kalk Bay

Saturday 3 August 2024 at 8 PM  
Sunday 4 August 2024 at 5 PM



VOX is passionate about nurturing the ecosystem of choral music in Cape Town and we are looking forward to celebrating our tenth birthday next year. To read more about our work, to join our mailing list or to support the work we do, please visit [www.voxcapetown.com](http://www.voxcapetown.com).