

CELEBRATING THE ARTS IN THE CONTEXT OF CHRISTIAN FAITH

Spiritfest 2018 PROGRAMME

For more about Spiritfest see <http://www.grahamstowncathedral.org/spiritfest>

Facebook: [facebook.com/spiritfest.grahamstown](https://www.facebook.com/spiritfest.grahamstown)

WORSHIP

CHORAL EVENSONG

Fri 29 June 17:30 (1hr) Cathedral, High Street

The Cathedral Choir will sing a traditional Choral Evensong with a difference - featuring works in different languages by South African authors and composers.

SUNDAY UNITY MASS - ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sun 1 July 09:30 (1hr30) St Mary's Church, Cnr Albany/Fitchat Str

A Mass of Unity as four local Catholic congregations come together from different parts of town to celebrate and worship.

WEEKDAY MASS - ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fri 29 June, Wed 4 & Fri 6 July 13:15 (30mins) St Patrick's, Hill Street

FESTIVAL EUCHARIST - CATHEDRAL

Sun 1 July 09:30 (1hr30) Cathedral, High Street

Come and participate in a magnificent Choral Eucharist. The Cathedral Choir, augmented by members of Kwantu Community Choir, and accompanied by a jazz trio, will sing the 'Gospel Mass' by Robert Ray.

Preacher: The Very Revd Andrew Hunter, Dean of Grahamstown

FESTIVAL SERVICES - TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sun 1 July 09:30, 18:30 Trinity Church, Hill Street

FESTIVAL SERVICE - EVERY NATION CHURCH

Sun 1 July 09:30 Venue TBA, check Spiritfest website

Come and join in the vibrant worship of the Every Nation Church as they celebrate the presence of God in the midst of the Festival.

LUCERNARIUM - THE CATHEDRAL

Wed 4 July 17:30 (40 mins) The Cathedral, High Street

A lucernarium is a simple service of lighting the lamps before the darkness of evening sets in. A small choir will lead plainsong sections of the service. A must for those who enjoy contemplative liturgical worship.

ECUMENICAL STREET PARADE

Sun 8 July 08:30 Meet at Drostdy Arch

Meet at Drostdy Arch to process down High Street with the Methodist Young Men's Guild, and members of various denominations with banners, in this act of public testimony.

FESTIVAL SERVICE - COMMEMORATION METHODIST CHURCH

Sun 8 July 09:00 Methodist Church, Lower High Street

Preacher: Andile Mbete, Bishop of the Methodist Grahamstown District, Church leader, writer, radio commentator, recipient of the Metropolitan Eastern Cape Award for Religion.

FESTIVAL EUCHARIST - CATHEDRAL

Sun 8 July 09:30 (1hrs 30 mins) Cathedral, High Street

We welcome the Jesus College Choir from Cambridge in the UK, conducted by Richard Pinel. This acclaimed choir comes from a College founded in 1496. They will be singing the *Cantus Missae Op. 109* by Josef Rheinberger.

Preacher: The Revd Vic Graham, the incumbent at Christ Church Grahamstown

MEDITATION & PRAYER

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

2 - 6 July 16:00 - 17:00 Commemoration Methodist Church Hall

Explore the tradition that comes to us through the centuries from the Desert Fathers and Mothers, led by visitors from the World Community for Christian Meditation and the Centre for Christian Spirituality.

GUIDED PRAYER

2 - 6 July 10:00 - 11:30 St Mary's Church, Cnr Albany/ Fitchat Str

Guided prayer allows one's prayer life to become enriched. Through experiencing different ways of praying, you will become more aware of God's presence in your daily life. Thirty minutes Mon to Fri with a confidential prayer guide for listening, sharing and reflecting. 30 minute slots available - no charge. Book at the venue or email spiritfest@grahamstowncathedral.org.

MUSIC

ST MICHAEL'S MARIMBAS

Fri 29 June, Mon 2 July 13:15 (45 mins) The Cathedral, High Street

Come and enjoy the vibe presented by Asakhe Cuntsulana and his band of young musicians with a uniquely African rhythm in their souls.

GRAHAMSTOWN KWANTU CHOIR

Sat 30 June 13:00 (1hr) The Cathedral

Founded in 2017 by conductor Kutlwano Kepadisa, this dynamic choir draws together singers from Grahamstown schools and Rhodes University, as well as community members. Hear them sing songs from Jake Runestad to Rachmaninoff and Mendelssohn, in English, Russian, German, Latin, isiXhosa, isiZulu and Setswana. Within a few days they hope to be off to Pretoria to take part in the World Choir Games!

GRAHAMSTOWN CIRCUIT CHOIR - CHORAL CONCERT

Sun 1 July 15:00 (50 mins) Commemoration Methodist Church

Members of the Grahamstown Circuit Church Choir are drawn from a number of Methodist church choirs in the area. Come and hear them sing rousing spiritual favourites from South Africa and beyond, conducted by Siyabulela Lali and Reuben Maselwa.





CHORAL CONNECTIONS - JESUS COLLEGE CHOIR, CAMBRIDGE

Fri 6 July & Sat 6 July 15:00 (1hr) Chapel of St Mary and All Angels, Rhodes

The acclaimed choir of Jesus College, Cambridge, presents a varied concert of sacred and secular music from around the world.

TRINITY TENORS

Tue 3, Wed 4 & Thu 5 July 19:30 (50 mins) Trinity Presbyterian Church

Enjoy listening to the lovely voices of Sisa Nomana and Sibuy Mkhize. The programme includes 'Be my love', 'My Lord, what a morning', 'Nobody knows', 'Music of the night', 'Nessun Dorma' and many more favourites.

CAMERON LUKE - ORGAN RECITAL

Tue 3 July 15:00 (50 mins) The Cathedral

Come and enjoy the splendid and majestic sounds of the Cathedral organ, revealed in works by Bach, Borodin, Alain and others. Cameron Luke is the recently appointed Director of Music at the Cathedral of St Michael & St George, Grahamstown.

A FEATHER ON THE BREATH OF GOD

28 July 17:00, 29 June 11:00, 1 July 18:00, 2 July 12:00 (1hr) Nuns' Chapel, Rhodes

Soprano Emma Farquharson presents a special classical music concert to showcase and celebrate the exquisite and profound compositions of women, from AD 500 to the 1980s. She will be joined by pianist Nina van Schoor, and cellist Caleb Vaughn-Jones. The title comes from a comment written by the 11th century theologian Bernard of Clairvaux, upon hearing Hildegard of Bingen's lyrical anthems for the first time.

DOMESTIC CANTICLES

Thu 28 June, Fri 6 July 17:15 (1hr) The Cathedral Coffee Shop

Fafa Hopkins, the stage-name of Chris Mann, Emeritus Professor of Poetry at Rhodes, presents a series of original song-poems sparked by the flickers of transcendence and regeneration we experience in daily life. For show details, search for 'Fafa Hopkins' on Facebook.

BE STILL AND KNOW

Sun 1, Tue 3 July 12:00 (40 mins) N G Kerk, Market Street

Forty minutes of finding peace in the presence of the Lord with meditative music (strings and organ / piano) from a family sharing their love for the Lord.

WINTER SCHOOL:

THE SPIRITUAL JOURNEY *Talks, discussions, books*

Daily at 11:00 (1 hr) The Cathedral Coffee Shop, inside the Cathedral

Mon 2 July: The Revd Dr Mary Ryan: 'In the footsteps of Mary Magdalene'

Clearing pathways for women's priesthood in an inclusive Catholic church. Mary Ryan is a theologian, a social activist, a leader in the broad caring community in Heidelberg, WMG (wife-mother-grandmother) and a committed Christian with an interesting spiritual journey.

Tue 3 July: Phumeza Mntonintshi: 'My journey towards training as a Sangoma'

Phumeza Mntonintshi, a Methodist, grew up in Tsolo, Eastern Cape, and trained in museology in Cape Town; she is a mother of two boys and has been in training as a sangoma.

Wed 4 July: Book Launch: Jeanette Eve: 'Reminders of Connectedness'

With a lifelong love of the art of words, Jeanette Eve has studied and taught Literature in various contexts, and for some years shared her enthusiasm through the Cathedral's 'Faith and Literature' group. An occasional writer of poems, this little collection reveals her love for Creation and some ways in which her spiritual journey has included a growing realisation that all life is one.

Fri 6 July: Book Launch: Michael Arnold: 'The Forgotten Feast and the Covenant of Grace'

Do you despair because you can't live up to the 'demands' of the Gospel? This book will provide you with comfort and encouragement. Michael Arnold is a classical scholar, theologian and experienced Anglican school chaplain.

Sat 7 July: Al Gini: 'The Importance of Humour in our personal and professional lives'

Given the troubling times in which we live, Al Gini believes that the only way to deal with the daily assault of real news, fake news, and bad news in our lives is to laugh at it and with it. He is convinced that laughter offers perspective, reinforces our humanity, and encourages hope. Al Gini is a Professor of Business Ethics in the Quinlan School of Business at Loyola University, Chicago.

OPEN MIC

Wed 4 July 15:00 (1 hr) The Cathedral Coffee Shop

Share a poem, a story, a song, a sacred text, or a testimony - yours or somebody else's - with a sympathetic audience in the beauty of a sacred site. Bring your instrument or just your voice and share the song in your heart. With emcee Harry Owen, well-known South African poet and Grahamstown resident.

VISUAL ART

40 STONES IN THE WALL GROUP EXHIBITION

Open daily 28 June - 7 July: 10:00 - 16:00, 17:00 - 20:00. 8 July: 10:00 - 12:00
The Cory Room, High Street, next to the Long Table Restaurant

Curated by Jonathan Griffiths, Eben Lochner and Paul Greenway. A collective of young artists from across the country explore the relationship between faith and artistic practice in this group exhibition. Various media.

'CHICKEN FEET AND POPCORN' - FRANLI MEINTJES

Open daily 28 June - 7 July: 09:00 - 17:00. 8 July: 09:00 - 12:00 Carinus Art Centre

Franli Meintjes aims to challenge people from different walks of life, not to get comfortable and complacent but to keep on pursuing personal change to help cross the bridge of racial, social, cultural and religious divides. Through the juxtaposition of popcorn and chicken feet she expresses her concern about the high rate of poverty in our country and the indulgence and greed of those in positions of power while also investigating the possibility of transformation and change.

SANCTUS - An art walkabout with moments of silent contemplation.

30 June, 2 July 12:00 (50m) Chapel of St Mary and all Angels, Rhodes

Artist Julia Skeen will talk about the architecture and artworks of one of the most beautiful buildings in Grahamstown. Includes a tricultural triptych of the Madonna and iconic images of Christ by the artist.

SCULPTURE IN THE CATHEDRAL

Open daily: 09:00 - 16:00 (Except during performances) The Cathedral

Two sculptures of famous South African spiritual leaders who witnessed boldly for the truth, by Niel Jonker. They depict Fr (later Archbishop) Trevor Huddleston, and Archbishop Desmond Tutu.