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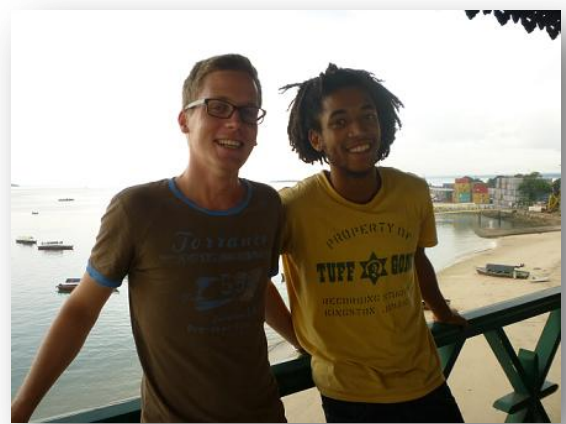
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Upcoming Events

There will be a workshop on taarab for the visit of children from the International school of Tanganyika/Dar es salaam. The workshop will take place on 21st - 24 November 2011.

DCMA teacher Hassan Mahenge will be going to the Mbigili Orphanage in Mtwara. He will run a workshop to teach drumming, dancing and singing to the children.

New volunteers at the DCMA, Nov 2011



Three new volunteers have joined us this fall: Federica from Italy, who will focus on marketing activities, Benedikt from Germany, who will be teaching guitar, and Benito, also from Germany, who will be assisting on guitar lessons and will be supporting office activities.

New intake for Karibu Scholarship, Nov 2011

There has been a new intake for the Karibu scholarship.

The Scholarship is for students who are planning to study traditional instruments. Lessons have started this November, they will last for three months. The Scholarship is fully sponsored by the Roskilde Festival Award.

ABRSM Certificate awarded to four students, Nov 2011



Four DCMA students were awarded the Theory Grade 5 certificate. The ceremony was carried out on November 11th. The certificates were presented by Joseph M. Castico, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Article on music and children's education and Development, Nov 2011



It is often claimed that music is good for children. Aside from the obvious fact that listening and playing music may be enjoyable, there are several other advantages related to investing in children's music education.

Read more about the impact of music on children's development and education. The full article is available on the Children's programme page of the DCMA website.

http://www.zanzibarmusic.org/childrens_program.html

Zumba comes to Zanzibar, Oct 2011

Zumba, a latin-rhythm based exercise class, has arrived in Zanzibar!

Thanks to our instructor Prama Bardwaj, classes are now available at the DCMA, every Tuesday afternoon. Price for one lesson is 5'000 TSH, all fees will go directly into our scholarships' fund. Join us for some fun!

Workshop with So Kalmery, Oct 2011

In October one workshop was hosted by DCMA:

So Kalmery

Guitarist So Kalmery, born in Zaire, visited DCMA to hold a workshop, showing and talking about his work and style of music. His musical style assimilates the influences of blues, soukous, gospel, rumba, reggae, South African jive and more. He sings in Kiswahili, English and French. So Kalmery not only played music on the guitar, but also showed his experience on the oud.

You can find more information about So Kalmery and samples of his music at <http://www.myspace.com/sokalmery>

Visit of the SDC delegation, Oct 2011

A delegation of the Swiss Development Cooperation agency (SDC) visited the DCMA in October. The delegation was accompanied by students coming from Switzerland.

The DCMA organized a short show for the visitors, which included performances of Kidumbak and Kilua, as well as an orchestra performance of violin, carried out by students and teachers of the school.

In this occasion the DCMA presented to the delegation a funding proposal for our upcoming music van programme. The music van project would be integrated into our children and village programmes, the van would travel around the islands of Unguja and Pemba and organise music workshops at village schools.

Diplomas awarded to seven students, Aug 2011



Seven students were awarded diploma certificate after finishing their diploma studies. The training was facilitated by Professor Mitchel Strumpf of the University of Dar es Salaam.