

East Rand Youth Orchestra and Daveyton wows crowd

The 35-year-old East Rand Youth Orchestra, under the baton of Pienaar Fourie, performed with the Daveyton Anglican Church Choir, at the Victor Ndlazilwane hall, in Daveyton, on February 10.

The orchestra's public relations officer, Marlize Schwar, said Father Lange Msengana opened the ceremony with the words: "Singing brings fellowship, unity and diversity together".

"He further stated that young and old, rich and poor, and people from all different cultures can sing one melody," said Schwar.

The Anglican Church Choir leads the congregation in worship every Sunday, and regularly sings at ordinations at St Dunstan's Cathedral, in Benoni.

The orchestra started by playing music by Beethoven, as well as the famous melody from the movie "Titanic".

Short pieces from a Verdi opera followed.

The choir joined the orchestra and together they performed "Jesus Joy of Man's Desiring" and "The Holy City".

"The church hall was packed with people when the orchestra and choir ended their performance with the Hallelujah, chorus from Handel's Messiah, and a standing ovation called for a repeat of the chorus," said Schwar.

The conductor told the audience that when the choir performed in Madagascar, many years ago, the people who could not even speak English sang the chorus with the orchestra.

To arrange for performances, people can call 082 689 6586.

The orchestra also has a website, www.eryo.org.za, where further information can be obtained.



The East Rand Youth Orchestra performed at the Anglican Church Concert, in Daveyton, on February 10. They are seen in the Victor Ndlazilwane Hall, where the event was held.



Daveyton Anglican Church Choir, at the Victor Ndlazilwane hall.



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