# Curriculum Vitae – Lucinda Brigitta Watts

## **Personal information**



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Date of Birth: 2 January 1989

## **Introduction and Philosophy**

"Being a teacher is not what I do, it's who I am" – Jill Biden. I believe that being a teacher isn't a profession but a way of life, and to describe myself as a teacher would be describing who I am. Since I decided to pursue a career in music, I knew I wanted to be a music teacher. I have been teaching music in various musical sectors since I started studying, providing me with the advantage of a wide variety of teaching skills. Whether I am in my classroom, in the shopping mall or relaxing at home, I am a teacher.

I get excited about finding new resources and activities for my learners, I share their emotions and struggle with their frustrations, I thrive in the moment a breakthrough occurs and stay up all night to accomplish my commitments to them. I believe that a teacher is a role model for others in all walks of life and should be aware of their continuous and immense influence on everyone around them and not only to those they teach.

Inside and outside the classroom I am the one who gets to shape, influence and inspire, the one who facilitates the fun, happiness and learning. I strive to enable each learner to become aware of their own individual abilities and encourage them to explore their unique expressiveness and creativity through music. If a learner has realised that they can achieve and take ownership of that achievement, then I have done my job. I am the music teacher, and I have the best job in the world"

### **Education**

## Secondary education:

Matriculated from Pro Arte Alphen Park 2007

Subjects: Afrikaans First language HG

English First Language HG

Mathematics HG

Biology HG

Music HG

Music Performance SG

### **Tertiary education:**

BMus specialising in Music Education from University of Stellenbosch 2013

Psychology 3 from University of Stellenbosch 2013

Post Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) Cum Laude from University of Stellenbosch 2014

## **Current Position**

Master of Music education - Koninklijk Conservatorium, The Hague 2017-2019

## **Work history**

Employment date:	Institution and nature of employment:
January 2012 – November 2012	Stellenbosch University
	Student assistant and tutor under Mrs. Sandie Malan for 2nd year Bed students.
January 2012 – November 2014	Stellenbosch University
	Student assistant under Mrs. Pamela Kierman for Bmus 4th year service learning
January 2012 – November 2014	Jamestown Sounds
	Recorder teacher and choir director
January 2012 – November 2015	Stellenbosch University
	Certificate programme piano and violin teacher
January 2012 – December 2016	Private piano, recorder and violin teacher.
January 2015 – December 2016	Bastion Primary school
	Grade 1-3 class music
	Instrumental music lessons (Piano, Violin and Recorder)
	Orff orchestra director
	Junior choir director
	Junior assembly accompanist

## **Musical Achievements**

Participation in the Beeld Eisteddfod throughout my high school career – 2003-2007

Achieved 78% in the University of South Africa (UNISA) gr8 Piano exam - 2007

Member of Simfonia Juventi 2005-2007

Member of University of Stellenbosch Symphony Orchestra – 2008

SAMRO Bursary winner BMus specialising in music education – 2010

Rapport Onderwysfonds bursary – 2014

Gr. 5 ABRSM in Harp 2016

Participation in the Conserve Eisteddfod – 2011-2016

Participation in the Stellenbosch Eisteddfod – 2012-2016

## Music education experience

Individual piano lessons to beginners

Mentor to students of the certificate program at the University of Stellenbosch

Assistant music teacher at Athlone music academy

Music tutor to B.ed student

Recorder teacher for Cape Philharmonic Youth Orchestra in Mamre

Recorder teacher at Cloetesville and Weber-Gedenk Primary schools

Choir teacher, organiser and conductor at Cloetesville Primary school

Full time Music teacher and organiser of department at Bastion Primary School

Volunteer music teacher in Birmingham with the BCMG and Birmingham Conservatoire

### **Interests and hobbies**

I am very interested in music psychology and music education and enjoy doing research in the field.

Exposure to further knowledge about music education through attending workshops and seminars.

Further research on the topic of psychology and music education.

## **Further training**

Orff society - Workshops in Orff education 2015 - 2016

Trinity College London – Workshops in teaching Piano (Classcial and Rock and Pop) 2015 – 2016

Piano Adventures – Workshops in piano teaching methods 2015 – 2016

Music Room - Workshops in class music teaching 2015 - 2016

Introduction to development in music psychology - 2017

Skills development training agency First Aid – Level 1 - 2015

Orff level 1 under tutelage of Gerhard Greer in Cape Town - 2017

#### Goals

I would like continue my path of becoming a professional music educator because I enjoy working with people and children and would like to pass my musical knowledge on to others.

I would like to do further research in community music projects with the aim of directing one in the future.

I would like to further my studies in music psychology and education.

I would like to continue taking Harp lessons and start performing on a more regular basis.

I would like to become more involved with contemporary music productions.

Complete my Masters of music education at the Konikljik Conservatoirium in The Hague.

#### References

Dr Pieter Grobler – Piano lecturer, University of Stellenbosch

Mrs Ncebakazi Mnukwana – Music education lecturer, University of Stellenbosch

Mrs Sandie Malan - Part time music lecturer, education department, University of Stellenbosch

Prof. Winfried Luddeman - Head of department, Music department, University of Stellenbosch

Prof. Karen Calitz - Chairman of Jamestown Sounds community music project, University of Stellenbosch

Mrs Felecia Lesch – Chairman and founder of University of Stellenbosch Certificate Programme

Mrs Inge Wessels – Harp Lecturer, University of Stellenbosch

Mr Chris Eksteen – Bastion Primary School Principle