



In this course, they focused on the fundamentals that made an art centre function. How to ensure an effective sustainability structure and how to empower your organization to become more and more sufficient. Net Vir Pret want to congratulate Sudonia and the other CACNET members who participated in the short course



## LET'S KICK OFF WITH A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT

Sudonia Kouter attended a Community Arts Centre Project, organized by STAND Foundation, for 5 days.



In collaboration with Stellenbosch Business School, they have managed to deliver a short course with theoretical work and home assignments.

## SUDONIA WAS THE TOP ACHIEVER





# OUTREACH EVENTS IN MARCH 2023



## SWELLENDAM SKOU MEANS PUPPETS

This year we were once again invited to the annual Swellendam Festival stretching from 01 to 05 March. We prepared our puppets and prepared a crew to go and showcase our puppetry skills among the people at the festival. We took the lead puppet in last year's show, the Zebra, together with the peacock, the baboon, and the little tortoise. We were blessed to be part of such a major event and will gladly participate in future events.

*[Read more on the blog](#)*

## We welcome the Library Week

Human Rights Day – The library services in our municipal area invited two of our artists, Peter Takelo and Selanvor Platjies, to perform at the event which will introduce Library Week. Peter did his magic with stories and warm music, while Selanvor blew them away with touching poetry. Of the attendees was the famous Kaapse Klopse, which was a wonder to behold. This was a trademark day for the libraries.

*[Read more on Facebook](#)*



## ON TO BARRYDALE LIBRARY

To promote the library week at Barrydale library, our interns were invited to do their play based on Gender-based-violence in front of a medium crowd. Fanny, the deputy on Net Vir Pret Board, was invited to tell stories of the past. As always Peter managed to steal their hearts with wonderful songs and stories. Later in the day our youngsters were invited to participate in activities and games. Every game had a book to be won. How clever.

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# END OF QUARTER

## Looking back



### Goodbye Lentelus Farm

We have come to the end of a very successful first quarter in our farm outreach programme. In the morning a crew would go out and work with the youngsters at the farm schools and in the afternoon we would bring them into our centre to participate in our activities. In this first quarter, we had Lentelus, a farm 7-minutes outside Barrydale and they participated in Carpentry, Toy building, Computer Classes, and Bike riding. Having them here and seeing how much they have developed was a pleasure.

### Building Puzzles

Late March - We took on a new venture. To build puzzles. Remember our goal is to develop our youngsters with stimulating games and activities. Herman is now leading the next group of youngsters in developing and building puzzles. Now they can use their imagination to create an image and divide the pieces so that it makes for a perfect puzzle, which will be sold at the local market happening at the end of each month. We look forward to seeing the different puzzles emerging.



### March-Street-Soccer

LATE MARCH - We also started a street soccer tournament for the teams in our village. We have identified 4 areas, picked a day to set up nets in each area, and got the players there to join. The winners moved on to the next round, the Semi-Finals, and the Finals. Many potential were on display and we saw the need for this and other sports codes. We will now proceed to plan a more structured tournament and make this an annual event.



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## **WE ARE A NGO**

As you may know, the youth of today are the leaders of tomorrow. They hold the future of our society in their hands.. Your contribution will go a long way in helping to provide the resources that young people need to succeed. I truly believe that supporting this youth development NGO is an investment in our collective future. By empowering young people today, we can help to build a stronger, more resilient, and more prosperous society for tomorrow. Clicking on [Donation](#) will take you to our [Donation](#) page on our website.

Please visit our Crowdfunding page [Net Vir Pret Operation](#) by clicking here.

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are necessities, not  
luxuries. Without them,  
humanity cannot survive

**BY DALAI LAMA XIV**

We have engaged with a new feature made available by Facebook. It's called Facebook Stars. This is a new way for people to send something of monetary value to our cause. We encourage everyone who follows us on Facebook to send Net Vir Pret some stars. Not only will this add monetary value but will also increase engagement on our page. We want to spread our message and activities as wide as possible so that people can see the work we put in to ensure that our youngsters have a bright future.

PLEASE SEND US THOSE STARS!!

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