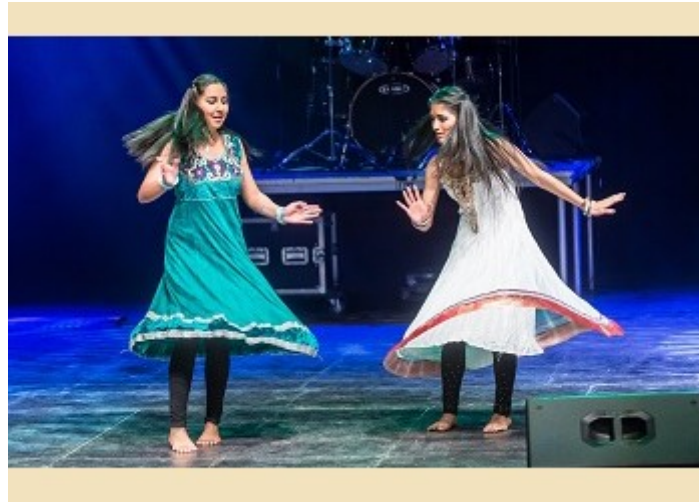


Veterinary students showcase amazing talent at Dean's Cultural evening

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Two of the talented Veterinary Science students in action

Students from the Faculty of Veterinary Science recently amazed one and all by showcasing their many talents. The event was the annual Dean's Cultural Evening, held in the Aula on the Hatfield Campus as the Onderstepoort Campus does not have a hall big enough to accommodate the audience of students, staff, friends and parents. From the very first act, a vocal duet, it was clear that the audience was in for a treat. They were more than appreciative and the performers all stepped up to the task, breaking down cultural barriers with items ranging from instrumental music, singing, the first performance of the OP Community Choir, rap, jazz, belly dancing, Bollywood dancing, acting and mime. What a privilege to be part of this profession, with so many young, talented students who will represent it in the near future.



There were too many highlights to mention and it made one proud to be part of the Faculty. One of the final-year students, Nick Temlett, a very gifted young actor, artist and musician performed his own version of Gloria Gaynor's *I will survive*, as a tribute to his peers:

We Survived - a tribute to OP final years 2016

to the tune of Gloria Gaynor's *I will survive*, words by Nick Temlett

At first it was dissections in Anatomy
And headaches from the microscopes in Histology
We learned grasses, we learned veld
We learned about behaviour too
In physiology we learned what all the body's enzymes do

We now know prazeqwork l's good for nematodes
And even works on flukes but not on cestodes
At one point we knew all the drugs
From anaesthetics to NSAIDs
But at some point over all the years
All those names fell out our brains

Cos now we're here
In final year!
With only a few months to go
and then we're outta here
There's still so much that we must learn
and so much we don't know
There's so much more we can improve
and so much more to grow

But we survived!

Yes we survived

Through all the stress we've always kept

our will to stay alive

We must face the big bad world now and sadly leave OP

But we'll survive, 'cause we've survived

Our path orals were always frightening

But now that we look back they went like lightning

Which is always a DD for one of Prof Prozesky's slides

Think horses and not zebras when a diagnosis hides

They crammed so much into our fourth (slash) fifth year

That the thought of failing was in fact a true fear

But somehow we held on and somehow made it through

We survived

Yes we survived!

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Looking back we have so many memories

And our friends aren't only friends,

they are our family

And it's hard to say goodbye

to a place you've held so dear

But we'll survive...yes we'll survive

Yes we survived...

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