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Children sing
for other children
in the world.



Dear friends of Don du Choeur,
Welcome to our newly revamped Newsletter!
Your window onto the progress
of our various projects.



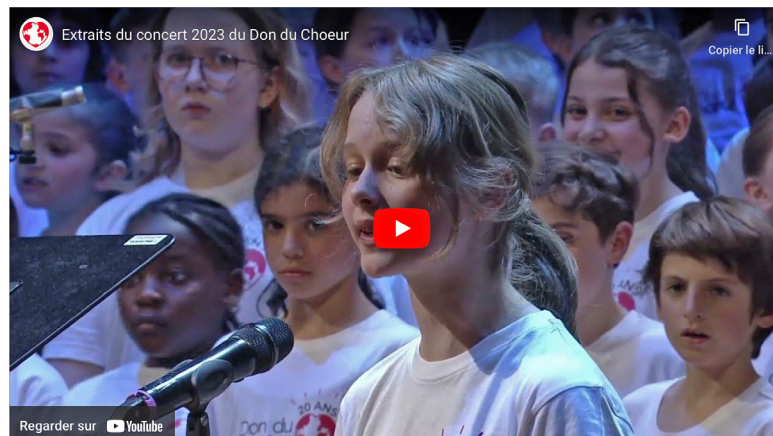
Our 2023 Concert for Cambodia and Madagascar

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The magnificent auditorium of the Victoria Hall was full to bursting on 1 May 2023, with an audience eager to hear 400 choristers from Geneva's private schools sing in support of projects in Cambodia and Madagascar to extend a junior secondary school in Ta Pen and to bring community assistance and ea-

sier access to water in Andohasatra. All those involved in realizing, organizing and financing this 7th Don du Choeur concert have been well-rewarded as the goal of the evening was reached: proceeds of 100,155 CHF! ■

Watch our concert on YouTube!



Like the 1,500 members of the audience who turned the evening into a triumph for the children, you also can thrill to the effect of this wonderful performance. The rich and varied programme, the magic of the circus acrobats and the joy of the 400 singers will all make you feel like applauding in your turn! See the film by simply sliding your smart phone here! ■



An exceptional team spirit

The efforts of each and every participant and the extraordinary team spirit that permeated this 7th concert were praised by Isabelle Chatel, Chair of Don du Choeur. Huge congratulations were due to the conductors, teachers and musicians who excelled in preparing the children for the performance, allowing them to give of their best. Each school contributed to the success of

the concert, in an out-pouring of solidarity. Heartfelt thanks to **Collège du Léman; International School of Geneva: La Châtaigneraie; Ecole Mosaic; Externat des Glacis; Geneva English School; Institut Florimont; Institut International de Lancy; and Institut International Notre-Dame-du-Lac.** ■



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News...

Switzerland

• At the Auberge du Cheval Blanc in Vandoeuvres on June 15 – an evening in favour of children from Mexico. Many thanks to chef, **Alessandro Conti!**

Cambodia

• Construction of the new school building began in June

• E-learning is being developed in the junior high school.

Mexico

• Success for our eight university scholarship students
• Priority is being given to improving access to and storage of water. Extension work temporarily halted.



Cambodia: secondary education – a springboard!

It goes without saying that quality counts in education and the better their secondary education is, the better children will succeed and acquire a taste for learning. Today, 134 pupils from Ta Pen junior high school have received their leaving certificates. With that success under their belts, 80% of them have gone on either to senior high school or into a professional training course. It is a wonderful result, but we need to ensure the follow up! Currently, the classrooms at Ta Pen are full to overflowing. But thanks to the proceeds from the Don du Choeur concert on 1 May 2023 that were earmarked for Cambodia (60,000 CHF), the construction of a new building with three extra classrooms can begin. It will be finished for the start of the new school year in January 2024. ■

Madagascar: intensifying aid.

The effects of the climate crisis are worsening in the south of Madagascar. Don du Choeur has committed itself, for the next three years, to a new project of community assistance there, in collaboration with SOS Villages d'Enfants Madagascar. Thanks to the proceeds from the Don du Choeur concert on 1 May 2023 that were earmarked for Madagascar (40,155 CHF), the community in Andohasatra will be offered tangible and sustainable basic social assistance and income-generating activities. Access to water will also be facilitated in the coming months. And, of course, the purchase of school supplies for the 200 pupils of the primary school will continue, as well as educational support for 30 students who are continuing their secondary education at the high school in Betioky. ■



Join in Don du Choeur's activities in solidarity with Switzerland!

Our last collection of trainers for Vestiaire Social de Genève was a huge success. Thanks to Geneva's private schools, over a six-month period, hundreds of children and adolescents from families in need were able to receive sports shoes in excellent condition.

Participate in the next collection (at the end of September) as a volunteer.

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