



RUTH PROWSE

SCHOOL OF ART

*Celebrating more than
50 years as leaders
in local arts education.*

Contact

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The Ruth Prowse School of Art is an accredited higher education institution which takes its name from, and is dedicated to Ruth Prowse (1883–1967), an important figure in South African art history.

Upon her death, Prowse bequeathed her home, *The Retreat*, for use as an art centre, and 4 years later, in 1971, the school was opened by the renowned artist, Erik Laubscher. Today, the historic Roodebloem Estate which houses the school is recognised as a national monument.

50 years later, the school continues to honour its origins and the legacies of both Prowse and Laubscher whose contributions to the creative arts and education sectors in South Africa are unparalleled.



About the School

We offer a number of **part-time and full-time programmes**, including our undergraduate diplomas.

Our programmes include:

- Fine Art
- Graphic Design
- Jewellery Design



Our Courses

Unique to our school is the **Outreach Skills Programme** which teaches unemployed adults from previously disadvantaged communities to develop design and craft skills such as:

- Design
- Drawing
- Printmaking
- Mosaics
- Needlework

By enriching the skills-set of these individuals, we aim to better equip them to generate an income or find future employment.



Outreach Skills Programme

We pride ourselves on our world-class, **inclusive learning environment** which is characterised by **personalised attention and interaction**.

Also central to our approach is **cross-cultural artistic and educational exchange** which encompasses relationships and engagement between *all* learners, teachers and staff at our school.

In this way, we strive to encourage and nurture **independent and original thought**, the benefits of which are showcased at our grad show each year.



Our Learning Environment

We pride ourselves on best-positioning our students to find employment and success in their specific areas of qualification.

Some of our well-known graduates include:

- Igshaan Adams
- Kamyar Bineshtarigh
- Lwando Dlamini
- Vivien Kohler
- Mariëtte Kotzé
- Bheki Kunene
- Brett Charles Seiler
- Andrew Sutherland
- Adele van Heerden



Notable Alumni

Through our **Scholarship Fund**, the Ruth Prowse School of Art offers **financial aid** and support to individuals who show academic potential and are in need of financial assistance.

Support from the Fund covers fees, art materials, transport support and subsistence support.

The Scholarship Fund in Numbers:

- **20** learners supported each year*
- **25%** of our student body supported
- **R5,500** per learner per month

**Annually, the school receives many more applications than this.*



The Scholarship Fund

Your contribution is equivalent to...

R5,500

One full-time student at the school for one month.

R65,000

A full year of studies for one student.

R130,000

2 students for a full year.

R400,000

2 full-time students for an entire 3-year diploma.

R1,300,000

20 students sponsored through the Scholarship Fund for one full year.



80?

How far can your support

Contributions of any size are *always* welcomed, and *always* impactful.

Banking details:

Ruth Prowse School of Art
Standard Bank (Blue Route Centre)

Acc. No. 071233326

Branch Code: 5609

Swift: SBZA ZA JJ

SECTION 18A

We are able to provide SARS Section 18A receipts in order for donors to derive tax benefits.

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Make a contribution

We are proud to call the historical **Roodebloem Estate** our home, a property which dates back to 1666.

The responsibility of caring for a national monument comes with significant and ongoing costs.

If you are able to make a contribution to the preservation of our buildings, whether in kind or financially, please [contact us](#).



Building Preservation

Previous Supporters



We are grateful to have received significant support from the below listed donors within the last year:

- The National Arts Council
- The William Kentridge Foundation
- The Erik Laubscher Heritage Trust
- St Leger Lindbergh Trust
- The Brendalyn and Ernest Stempel Foundation
- Glen-John Hoffmann
- Click Learning/ERG Artist Fund
- The South African Society of Artists (SASA)
- The South African Friends of the Israel Museum (SAFIM)