

SIZANANI

REGISTERED NONPROFIT AND ACADEMY
OF SEWING AND DESIGN

March 2026

We are excited for 2026. We have some lovely students registered, and hope that the numbers will swell through the year.

One of the students who completed her Year 1 course in 2025, is attending for Year 2. As she has shown so much potential, we asked her if she would like to help with the training of the new students. What a hit! The new students love her, and are feeding off her enthusiasm (and we are wondering if we may be out of jobs in the near future!!!)



The year end event held at end of November 2025, was an amazing morning. Graduates modelled 2 outfits each, and then we held the prize-giving ceremony. The students were so proud of their achievements - as we were too.



All students received a certificate at the Prize-giving, and those that excelled received Merit Certificates. We are always excited to see students return to complete a second year of training, and this year we have 5 who have registered for Year 2. We look forward to seeing the outfits they will design this year.

Remember to follow Sizanani Academy on Instagram or Facebook to see the posts during the year.



Top Student - Year 2 - 2025

Sizanani's 2026 Fundraising efforts

continue this year and we urge you to participate in helping us build up our R100K Fund again this year.

This Fund enables us to -

- offer reduced fees to the students
- build up a stock of equipment and fabrics for students to utilize
- offer additional assistance to a student if we identify a problem
- service sewing machines on a regular basis
- cover the cost of running this outreach ministry
- put time and effort into training assistants

YOU will make a Difference here.



RE M I N D E R T O ALL SOUTH AFRICAN FRIENDS

A very important notice of change

If you have supported

Sizanani, Academy of sewing and design (Sizanani)

by swiping a MySchool Card for many years,

this is important to read.

The MySchool programme, in its current form, is no longer active.

- Existing supporters need to join the **MyDifference** programme via the **Woolworths app** and under the **'My Causes'** section,

select Sizanani, Academy of sewing and design

as YOUR cause. Please do this by **30 June 2026** (date subject to change).

- Remember - Joining is free and swiping your card does not cost you anything.

Currently, Sizanani earns approximately R1500 per year from this initiative. It would be amazing if we could increase this, so we urge you to share this information with your friends/relatives.



2026 FUNDRAISER
FOR
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Graeme Thorne and, new to the team, **Robyn McQueen**
are running the

Comrades Marathon on Sunday 14 June

to raise funds for

Sizanani Academy's skills training programme.

Please show your support by making a donation to
Sizanani through our website –
www.sizanani-academy.org.za/funding

Don't forget - we encourage YOU to GOSSIP to your friends, colleagues and family about what you have learned about Sizanani. The more people who know about our work here in Pinetown, the better!!

Till next time..... kind regards

Sharon, Mpume and Zibuyile

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