



Marimba One™ endorsed Premier Artist, Magdalena de Vries, is regarded as one of South Africa's foremost multi-percussionists.

As orchestral percussionist, Magdalena has worked with the *Yomiuri Nippon Symphony Orchestra* (Tokyo), attended the 2000 *Festival de Musica de Canarias* as member of the former *Cape Town Philharmonic Orchestra*, attended the 2014 *Gabala International Music Festival* (Azerbaijan) as member of the Johannesburg Philharmonic Orchestra and currently works as freelance

orchestral, chamber and session percussionist.

As marimba soloist, she has won an array of national and international prizes and awards, and has performed to great acclaim in London, Tokyo, Cambridge (UK), Moscow and Saint Petersburg.

She holds a B Mus degree (UNISA), Performer's Licentiate diplomas (with distinction) from both the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music and the University of South Africa and a Postgraduate Diploma (cum laude) from the Tokyo College of Music.

Magdalena continues to strive to expand the marimba repertoire by commissioning works by South African composers and promoting the classical marimba as a full-blown solo instrument.