

DIATONIC 5 YEARS IN REVIEW

Steel in Motion

Diatonic introduced the Steel in Motion with the objective of reviving the flagging Siparia fete, realizing phenomenal growth since its introduction. Single Pan Steelbands are invited to parade and perform a religious sound in keeping with the spirit of the festival and a calypso from a calypsonian that is honored every year. The festival now in its sixth year is a major annual internal tourism destination, enjoying patronage from around the country and returning residents while providing significant development for the community.



Siparia Soaring Together Diatonic Annual Magazine

Diatonic Pan Institute, on the occasion of Siparia Fete produces an annual souvenir glossy magazine, design to highlight Diatonic's activities while promoting cultural, social, educational, religious and sporting persons and events of significance to Siparia. In the past five years, the following icons were highlighted: Ian 'Friny' Morris; Dexter Francis; Felix 'Wamba' Jones; Clive Madsen Saney; Ellis Knights; Roland 'Moose' Joseph; Terry 'Throat' Wallace; Beverly 'Slabby' Pierre. The following places of interest were featured: Irwin Park; The Health Center; The Siparia Market; St. Christopher's Anglican Primary School; Siparia Boy's R.C School; Siparia Union Presbyterian School. Also featured were organisations like the Police Youth Club and Petrotrin Siparia Deltones Steel Orchestra.



Culture and Sports Conference

The Education committee staged two successful conferences entitled "Culture and Sports a Tool for Social Transformation" in conjunction with the European Union. In order to reach a wider community, one was held in Siparia and the other in Port of Spain.

Diatonic Music Literacy

Diatonic Education Committee launched its Music Literacy Program on February 01st 2012, which was made available free to the community. Participants are prepared for the Trinity Guild Music Examinations and are held annually boasting a one hundred percent (100%) success record. The program continues with new intakes at grade 1 while others are preparing for various levels up to grade 8.



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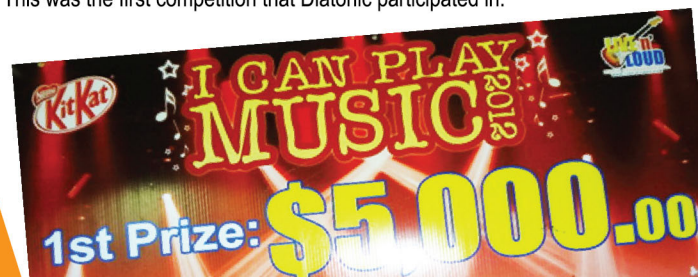
Diatonic Pantastic Christmas CD

Diatonic Pan Institute launched its first double Christmas CD entitled a Diatonic Pantastic Christmas in 2012 and it has gotten high reviews from radio DJ's and the pan fraternity. The CD now headlines on the Christmas playlist over the airwaves.



Kit Kat Competition

While Diatonic Steel Orchestra does not participate in Panorama, it participated and won the Nestle Kit Kat "I Can Play Music" competition in 2012. This was the first competition that Diatonic participated in.



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Pan is Beautiful "XII"

In 2013 Diatonic entered in Pan Trinbago's Pan is Beautiful XII. It was an enriching experience for the players and not only did we make the finals, but our performance captured the audience and will be remembered for years to come.



Vacation Pan Class

The organization runs an Annual Pan Camp for children 5 – 12 years during the July – August vacation. The camp includes sports, theory and practical music.



In the year 2014 Diatonic ventured into a new dimension of pan exposure, with a television series entitled Pankalang. The main objectives was to educate the society nationwide and internationally about the creating, nurturing and maintaining a steel band together with the emotional, communal, physical, financial, political and social issues that accompanied its developments. As well as strengthening the steelband movement through the development of its members and the organization

Foreign Tours

In October of 2011 Diatonic embarked on its maiden overseas tour of five cities Marion, Jonesbone, Fort Wayne, Westfield and Indianapolis. The tour proved to be a success beyond what was envisage. The Governor of Indiana proclaimed the week Pan Appreciation Week in honor of Diatonic's visit, and the Mayor of Indianapolis gave the Mayoral Certificate of Appreciation on the occasion. Before leaving Diatonic established two steelbands the Indiana Wesleyann University Steel Orchestra and a community Steel Orchestra that bears the name Skyfall Steel Orchestra. They maintain Diatonic logo on the instruments that was donated to them.

In addition, Diatonic Pan Institute represented Trinidad and Tobago in Folkmoort USA, North Carolina's Official International Folklore Festival. This Festival took place July 18-27, 2014 and was a two-week celebration of the world's cultural heritage through folk music and dance. At the end of the festival a proclamation was made by the mayor of Waynesville that Diatonic Pan Institute members are now honorary citizens of Waynesville.

Diatonic Pan Institute also represented Trinidad and Tobago in St. Vincent and the Grenadines on the occasion of their 35th Anniversary celebration of Independence. Members of the Diatonic Pan Institute took part in various Independence Concerts during the period 25th October – 28th October 2014 with the 27th of October being Independence Day.

Pre Secondary School Pan Classes

Diatonic Pan Institute has ensured that many Primary School students in Siparia, having written SEA exams in May/June, spend quality time learning to play the pan and understanding the basic rudiments of music before entering secondary school. So far, as many as 100 students have benefitted from these pan classes, they are prepared to perform at their Graduation ceremonies the National Anthem and a musical interlude.

