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Little actor raises eyebrows

Local actor Hailey Keys reached the World Monologue Games Finals, one of 14 global events featuring the best international competitors.

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Young Hailey Keys in character and full costume in The Closet. Photo submitted.

Theatres and film sets around the world are closed for business but this didn't stop local eight-year-old Hailey Keys' passion for performing.

The little Krugersdorp actress submitted an entry to the World Monologue Games, a global event with competitors from over 80 countries vying for prizes and glory.

When Hailey received an email announcing she had made it to the finals, she was over the moon.

I'm so excited to be competing for my country in this amazing event. It's an honour to be selected."

World Monologue Games is only in its first year but already attracted thousands of international performers.

Event founder Pete Malicki from Sydney in Australia said, "Covid-19 has had a devastating effect on people's lives, the global economy and many different industries including arts and entertainment. I wanted to create an opportunity for actors around the world to show how resilient they are. The response was massive – I'm not sure if this many actors have participated in one event before!"

Hailey will be performing a piece about *The Closet*.

I really love performing this piece. It brings out the dramatic part in myself and shows the world that there are kids out there with bad parents. It teaches me how to feel sad when I am not really sad."

The Global Finals will be livestreamed in front of hundreds of thousands of performing arts fans end of 2020.

Read more about the event or sign up as a fan at <https://monologues.com.au/WMG>.