

CONNECTING SONG



MICK THOMAS



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MUSIC MENTORSHIPS

Write and record a song...create a clip

Connecting Song is an inspiring place-based songwriting opportunity like no other. Three unsigned music acts will be selected to work with one of three outstanding mentors who are also from the Geelong region.

Each selected artist will choose a Geelong locality such as the You Yangs, the industrial north, city centre, farmland or coast. The three selected music acts – solo artists, bands etc – each write a song. Each song will then be recorded at Oxygen College's Don't Poke The Bear studio, and a film clip will be created by The Pulse. Each clip will be debuted at Geelong After Dark, 3 May 2019.

Connecting Song is an initiative of the City of Greater Geelong, as part of the Mountain to Mouth Contemporary Songline project. It supports emerging musicians from this region to be seen and be heard, and is supported by Creative Victoria through its Music Works program.



ADALITA

MENTORS

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A multi-award winning modern Australian rock icon, Adalita began as front person for seminal Australian indie rock group Magic Dirt. Magic Dirt was one of the most successful bands to explode out of Geelong in the 90s. She has toured internationally and now is a highly respected ARIA award-nominated solo artist. Adalita is an integral part of the Australian music scene, garnering a passionate and loyal following and countless accolades.

MARK WILSON

Jet is one of Australia's biggest international success stories and Geelong's own Mark Wilson is the bass player. Formed in 2001, Jet went on to have a stellar career touring all over the world in their own right and with mega artists such as the Rolling Stones and Bruce Springsteen, selling in excess of 6.5 million albums. The band dissolved in 2012, reforming in 2017. While Jet was on hiatus Mark was snapped up by record label Warner Music to join their A&R team.

MICK THOMAS

Mick Thomas is an Australian singer-songwriter, producer, guitarist, playwright and music venue owner. Thomas was the founding mainstay of Australian legends, Weddings Parties Anything (1984-1998), and leader of Mick Thomas and the Sure Thing. He is also an ARIA nominated solo artist. Amongst international tours Mick has won multi-ARIA awards, including the highly coveted Song Of The Year. He has also co-written tracks with Paul Kelly and produced albums for the likes of Nick Barker and Ruby Hunter.

HOW TO APPLY

Firstly, you need to be a current resident of the Geelong region. Then you need to submit a one-page application which includes:

- Contact details.
- Why you would like to be part of this project.
- The Geelong location you would prefer to write about.
- A sample of your music – no more than two songs.
- A recent photograph.

**Applications due COB
Friday 26 October 2018**

Applications to be submitted via:
geelong.smartygrants.com.au/connectingsong

Any questions? Please email:
artsculture@geelongcity.vic.gov.au

