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**INQUIRY INTO THE MUSIC AND ARTS ECONOMY IN  
NEW SOUTH WALES**

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Hi , As Sydney's Total Rock Concert Experience Ambassador on behalf of all our fantastic venues , I attend over 50 rock concerts every year . They include gigs at the small pubs and clubs , right through to the massive outdoor shows at ANZ Stadium . As a 50 year old guy I have been attending rock concerts since 1983 when the Sydney Entertainment Centre opened . I was saddened when it was closed and torn down a couple of years ago , however the new ICC Sydney Theatre , although not as good as the SEC as a rock concert venue in my opinion , is at least another venue in the heart of the city . I have been there many many times already to see my favourite bands and it at least passes my satisfaction test at the end of the night . I seriously think that we could use another venue similar to the old Entertainment centre in the city to add to our future demands . The last 10 years have been the best of my life due to all the tours of Australia by all my favourite international bands . I have seen some of them 3 times in that period . I hope the next 10 years will be just as great , it will be hard to top however I will certainly give it my best as long as the tours keep coming to Sydney . I catch trains and buses to all my concerts and when I travel to Olympic Park to the Qudos Bank Arena it means 3 trains from Rockdale to Redfern , Redfern to Lidcombe , then Lidcombe to Olympic Park . I think there should be direct trains to Olympic Park from Central and Redfern on concert nights at Qudos Bank Arena and return , especially on week nights when I can get home well after midnight , with work to follow the next day . Just as there are direct trains to Olympic Park for the Easter show & ANZ Stadium events concert fans would love to skip the Lidcombe station detour , it would be so appreciated . Thankyou for the opportunity to submit my feedback as I have been hoping for such an inquiry into improving and showcasing our fantastic passion of attending live music in Sydney . Please touch base with me as I would love to get involved with any focus groups , committees and the like in order to give the government the best advice possible . Kind Regards Slavco Zipevski - Sydney's Total Rock Concert Experience Ambassador .