INQUIRY INTO THE MUSIC AND ARTS ECONOMY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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I have recently retired to the far south coast of New South Wales after inner city living in Sydney. The newly refurbished Tatra Hotel is one of a few venues here that support quality (and local) live music on a weekly basis. Some of the clubs also support live music, mostly The Sapphire Club, but we don't have an independent venue for concerts within the region. unless you include Canberra. Live music is a great way to enhance well being, engage the community and break down feelings of isolation and loneliness and we need suitable local venues in regional areas to facilitate this. Traveling to city centers to attend concerts usually involves overnight accommodation costs which can make the whole exercise unaffordable for many.