

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

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To whom it may concern,
I am a Sydney based singer/ songwriter/ musician.

I think the biggest factors effecting the industry are:

A lack of venues that support live music

A lack of venues that promote original music

A lack of money within the industry and a misguided belief that music can not be a career path.

A lack of industry award rates of pay that are realistic and in keeping with the cost of living.

A lack of opportunities for new, original Australian music to be heard thru different avenues and media's : Radio, TV, youth groups, festivals, concerts, etc, etc

Australian original music deserves to be heard, promoted and fostered from an identity and cultural perspective for all Australians, and the rest of the world, to enjoy.

I would also like to see musicianship being fostered and the opportunity for quality Australian acts to perform, tour and entertain all over Sydney, Australia and the rest of the world.