INQUIRY INTO THE MUSIC AND ARTS ECONOMY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Music is resource and career that the Government seems to have no interest in supporting. We have seen consistent closure of historic music venues due to "nanny state" laws which allow people to move into houses next to KNOWN music venues then complain about the noise only to have them be forced to close. This is entirely unfair. The response is usually that there are other venues which you can play in later at volume, however the venues they are referring to are usually professional music halls and theaters which the average working musician cannot afford to rent or book out. You should seriously consider bringing in new laws which protect established music venues from noise complaints from new neighbours who knowingly bought a house near one. why should our music industry suffer due to the inconsideration of others. Live music has been a part of Australia's culture yet due to the current laws and disregard this is slowly dying. Live music needs protection it is already hard enough for honest musicians to make a living.