

# ~ DAREBIN ~ *Music* FEAST

20-27 OCTOBER 2019

## Darebin Music Feast Songwriters' Award 2019

The Darebin Music Feast Songwriters' Award is an annual songwriting competition that seeks to recognise, showcase and promote the talents of local songwriters. Around 100 entries are received each year with finalists performing before our distinguished judges Sal Kimber, Monica Weightman & Tristan Goodall as part of the Darebin Music Feast. There is an amazing prize package to be won including cash and studio time. Past winners include Jordie Lane, Ben Mason, Brooke Russell and Charm of Finches.

Grand Final Concert will be held on Thursday 24 October, 7.30pm at Northcote Town Hall.

Songwriters' who live, work or study in the City of Darebin are welcome to enter. The Award is open to songwriters of all ages. Songwriters' are also welcome to enter songs in languages other than English. Local Indigenous songwriters are particularly encouraged to enter.

### Prizes:

The winner of the Darebin Music Feast Songwriters' Award 2019 will receive:

- \$2000 thanks to **APRA AMCOS**
- 8 hours recording time with an engineer at **HeadGap**
- EP Mastering by **Crystal Mastering**
- \$500 **Implant Media** Voucher for CD duplication services
- Hamer Guitar thanks to **Echo Tone Guitars**

Also up for grabs:

- \$500 **Encouragement Award** thanks to **3KND Radio**

### Entries:

- **Entries close Wednesday 25 September, 4pm**
- \$16.50 (including GST) per song
- Songwriters may enter **ONE** song only
- Payment is made via the entry form found online at: [www.musicfeast.com.au/take-part](http://www.musicfeast.com.au/take-part)

### Judging Process:

- Entries will be shortlisted, with finalists notified **by phone** during the week of Monday 7 October.
- Finalists **must** be available to perform at the Grand Final Concert on the evening of **Thursday 24 October** at Northcote Town Hall, Northcote.
- The Grand Final Concert will be judged by a panel of distinguished local songwriters.

### Terms and Conditions:

1. Entry must be composed by a person who currently lives, works or studies in Darebin for a



- minimum of 10 hours per week.
2. Entry and payment are submitted online at the same time
  3. Anonymity is an important part of the shortlisting process. The song file & lyric sheet **MUST** be marked **ONLY** with the song title and copyright date. Therefore, song file protocol looks like - OhBabyc2012.mp3
  4. Only **ONE** song may be submitted by any one artist.
  5. The song entered must:
    - Be an original work written by the entering composer(s).
    - Not have been previously awarded a prize in a songwriting competition.
    - Be recorded.
  6. Be performed at the Grand Final Concert using a maximum of two voices and two instruments.
  7. Judges will consider lyric, melody, composition, originality of the central musical or thematic idea and so on. The judges' decision will be final and not open to any discussion. Entry implies acceptance of these conditions and the conduct of the event.
  8. The shortlisted finalists will be notified the week of Monday 8 October by telephone. All other entrants will be informed of the results by email.
  9. Finalists must be available to perform their song at the Grand Final Concert on Thursday 24 October during the evening. Entrants must arrive on time or the entrant will be disqualified.
  10. The entrant gives the right for the festival to record and photograph the performance (s) for promotional and archival purposes and understands copyright remains with the entrant.
  11. The entrant must confirm that they hold copyright to the submitted work.
  12. They must declare ownership of this intellectual/creative property.
  13. No refunds will be possible once payments have been submitted.

**For further information please contact:**

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Personal information collected on the Darebin Music Feast Songwriters' Award Entry Form will be handled in accordance with the Victorian Information Privacy Act 2000, and will not be disclosed to any third parties without your consent unless required by law. You may apply for access to any of your personal information held by the City of Darebin by contacting



Council's Privacy Officer on 03 8470 8877.

