

Media Release



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Showcase of young, local talent at Camden Shorts

Young performers will take to the stage to showcase their musical, dance and theatrical talent at Camden Council's annual Camden Shorts event on **Friday 12 April, 7-9.30pm, at Camden Civic Centre.**

16-year-old Elderslie resident and two-time Camden Shorts performer, Elijah Armstrong, will be performing at the event with his four-piece band, Witch Diana.

"We're a few mates who enjoy playing music, centred around rock and punk, so we'll be performing the Jet's *Are You Gonna Be My Girl* and Chuck Berry's *Johnny B Goode*," Elijah said.

"Music is an outlet for me – it's something I can always rely on to escape from everything. Getting up on stage is one of my favourite things ever, so I can't wait for Camden Shorts.

"This event really showcases the rich musical and performing community in the Camden area. It's important for musicians and performers to be exposed to an audience, as well as the people of Camden to know how talented, diverse and rich this area is."

Mayor of Camden, Cr Peter Sidgreaves, said local professional artist, Lauren Azar, will make a guest appearance at the event.

"Ms Azar will talk about her musical career to inspire young performers. She notably toured with the Rubens and supported P!nk during her *2018 Beautiful Trauma* tour," Cr Sidgreaves said.

"There will also be food and drinks available for sale at the event, so families can really make a night of it.

"This event is part of Council's 2019 Youth Week celebrations. We have a very extensive program on offer to residents aged 12 to 25 years, with a number of fun, productive and educational activities to take part in.

"There's something for everyone – fitness competitions, arts and crafts, writing workshops and so much more."

To book your ticket for Camden Shorts, visit stickytickets.com.au/79625

For the full Youth Week program, visit camden.nsw.gov.au and search 'Youth Week' or call 4645 5129.

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