

## **Media Release**

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## Top acts ready to perform Live and Local

Camden's Argyle Street will be transformed into a hub of musical performances with Council's first Live and Local music festival to be held 2pm-6pm, Saturday 17 June.

More than 30 local and renowned musical performers will entertain crowds at 12 venues in the main street of the historic town centre.

"This unique festival will showcase the diverse musical performers of our area as well as the variety of venues and shops in the Camden town centre," said Mayor Lara Symkowiak.

"This is an exciting opportunity to promote Camden as a cultural tourist destination for live music in the region," Cr Symkowiak said.

"People of all ages will be able to enjoy an eclectic range of musical styles and performances and get a taste of the variety that Camden musical talent has to offer with original and popular music," she said.

The event has attracted a list of high profile local performers and showcases emerging local artists and groups including young bands such as the The Shang and Ayden Reeves.

Award winning country music singer and songwriter, Christie Lamb will take to the stage in a duo with guitarist, Jonathan English. Christie's latest album was number one on the official Top 20 Country Chart and has toured extensively, opening for Lee Kernaghan, taking to the stage with Keith Urban and touring with The Wolfe Brothers.

Camden's own Luke Koteras will entertain the crowd with his acoustic guitar playing and vocal talent. Luke's performance includes elements of funk, dance, R&B and jazz. The former The Voice TV contestant has toured internationally and joined the stage with famous artists including Renee Geyer, Michael Duchesne, Chris Sebastian and Lionel Cole, to name a few.

Venues for the performances will include traditional and non-traditional live music places, cafes, restaurants, retail shops and courtyards in and around Argyle Street, Camden with special deals offered for this event.

A full list of performers and venues is available on Council's website, www.camden.nsw.gov.au.

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