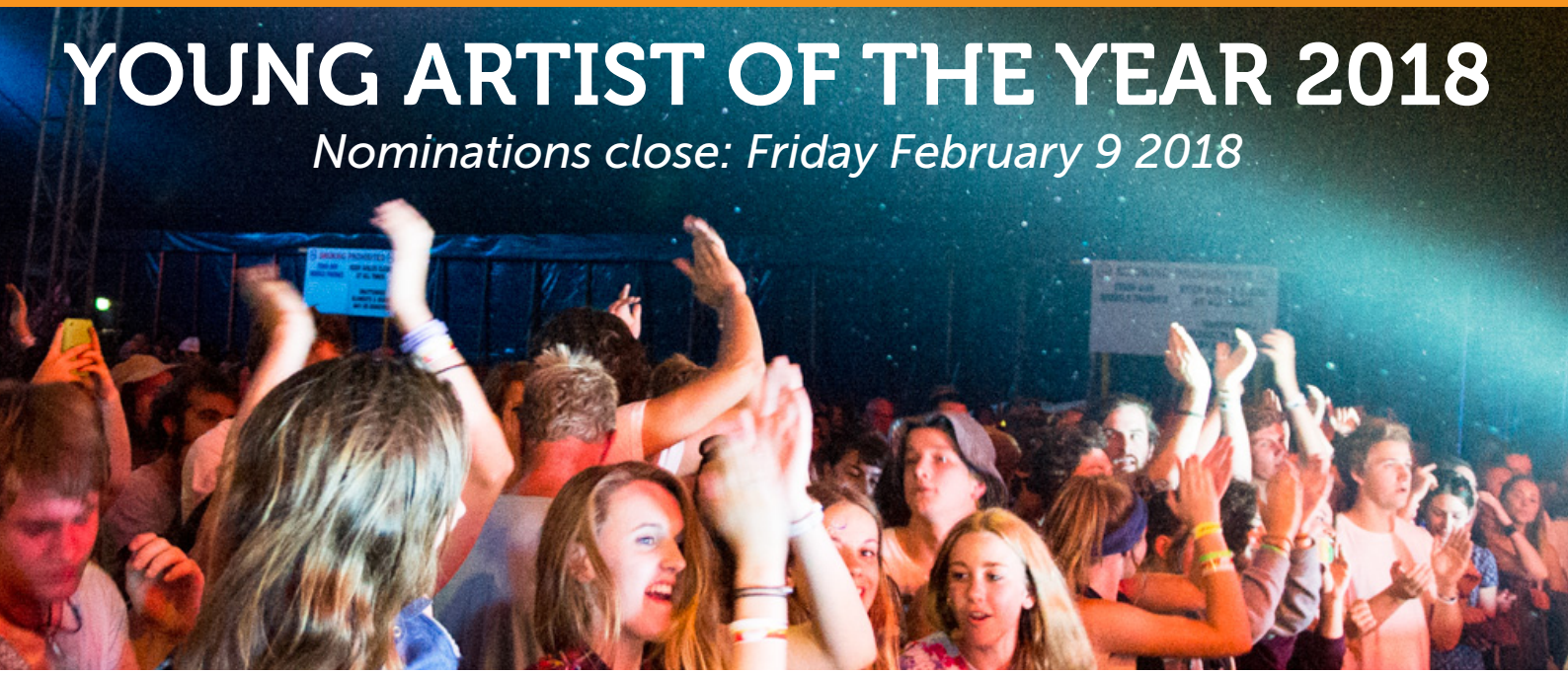
Folk Alliance Australia

Connecting the folk community, industry & culture

The peak national body for the promotion and development of the Australian folk industry

YOUNG ARTIST OF THE YEAR 2018

Nominations close: Friday February 9 2018



Showcase held at the National Folk Festival in Canberra on Sunday 1st April, 2017

Folk Alliance Australia (FAA), in partnership with the National Folk Festival (NFF), is very excited to present the FAA Youth Award again this year. The Youth Award is an annual event that takes place at the NFF. The aim of the project is to boost the profile of young performers and introduce, support and encourage them to the next level of their development.

We are asking festivals, folk clubs, groups and arts organisations from around Australia to nominate an outstanding youth act. FAA will consider all nominations that fall within the genres of traditional folk to contemporary folk. Solo acts and small bands between the ages of 14-25 will be considered. Cross-cultural performances are encouraged.

Selected nominees will perform a 10-12 minute showcase at the Folk Alliance Australia Youth Award Concert held at the National Folk Festival in Canberra on Sunday 1st April 2017. These acts will also be programmed at other venues at the 2018 National Folk Festival.

The FAA Youth Performer of the Year will be announced at the conclusion of the Awards Concert. All selected showcase performers will receive a free festival pass to the NFF (including camping). FAA will profile all selected showcase acts throughout the year.

**Please note artists signed to management will not be eligible for this award.*

PRIZES

The Winner, The Young Artist of the Year 2018 will be supported and mentored by FAA and associates throughout the year –opening pathways into the industry nationally and internationally. In addition to 12 months of development support, and will have the opportunity to feature and participate in the FAA Conference and will perform at a minimum of three national festivals

The Runner-Up will receive development support within the music industry to the value of $500. Examples of this may include marketing support, design, and photography - to be decided in collaboration.

For more information please contact **Una McAlinden** at **director@folkalliance.org.au** or call **0403 192 631**.

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please attach a short bio.

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DETAILS OF NOMINATING ORGANISATION:	
Organisation:	**Contact Person:**
Address:	**Phone Number:**
Email Address:	
Nominated Act:	
Please describe this act in a brief sentence:	
Name of performers, ages and instruments played:	
YouTube Link *(or alternative)*:	
Signature:	

PERFORMER CONTACT DETAILS:	
Name:	**Phone Number:**
Address:	**Email:**
Signature *(to be signed by guardian if u/18)*:	

Please email this form, and a short biography to director@folkalliance.org.au by Friday 9 February 2018

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