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Recording studio construction is now live

City of Palmerston is pleased to announce the commencement of work on a new community recording studio.

The recording studio will be located at the City of Palmerston Library and will provide an inclusive audio-visual facility, accessible 24/7 for the Palmerston community. It will be a fully equipped, multi-purpose space, that can be used for sound and video recording, rehearsal, engagement programs, skills training and more.

This project has been partially funded by the Northern Territory Government through SCALE funding (Special Community Assistance and Local Employment), contributing \$30,000 to the overall costs.

Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell said that the studio will be an asset to the community, whilst being provided at a low cost.

“This facility will enable us as a community to embrace our diversity, share our stories through music and continue to invest in arts and culture within Palmerston,” the Mayor said.

City of Palmerston Alderman Mick Spick was pivotal in the initial project proposal to Council. “It is vital that we understand our community’s needs and provide them with facilities such as this to create opportunities and to encourage the development of audio, technical and musical talents,” Alderman Spick said.

Local businesses are heavily involved with this project, with Rossi Architects completing the design work, consultancy and certification requirements and KCOM Construction to undertake the external works within stage one.

As a stakeholder in the project, MusicNT are excited to see the development of opportunities for musicians to further their craft in Palmerston.

“In a year when music and the arts in general are taking hit after hit, this commitment towards the growth of Palmerston’s music sector from the City of Palmerston is to be commended and recognised,” Executive Director Mark Smith states.

“Building on the success of established studios in the Palmerston region, this space can provide both a much needed rehearsal space as well as fostering opportunities to develop young producers and musicians,” he added.

The project will be completed in two stages. Stage one will take approximately three weeks to complete and will include external work such as the construction of concrete steps and a ramp for easy access to the studio and stage two will consist of the internal works, expected to commence in late November and completed in early 2021.

Situated on The Boulevard side of the library, pedestrian access will remain open except for short durations during the three week period. Preparation for internal works such as acoustic treatments have commenced and requests for quotation will be released shortly.

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