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### **Young Artists JUMP into the Spotlight**

*JUMP participants set to showcase their new skills at the Ellington Jazz Club this November.*

Musicians Holly Norman and Callum G'Froerer, and stand-up comedian Bonnie Davies will present a variety performance at The Ellington Jazz Club, Perth on November 7<sup>th</sup> 2011. The talented trio will be showcasing the work they have produced throughout the JUMP 2011 mentorship program.

Holly, Callum and Bonnie were among eight Western Australian young artists selected for JUMP, an Australia Council funded grant program, which pairs developing artists with experienced mentors in their chosen fields.

Holly, a percussionist, paired up with fellow percussionist, composer and sound engineer Steve Richter, and has been receiving instruction in writing and recording music from a home studio in Mount Hawthorn. Callum, a trumpet player, travelled to Melbourne to meet and perform with his mentor Tristram Williams, also a trumpet player, working on expanding the contemporary repertoire for the instrument. Bonnie developed a debut solo comedy show with the help of mentor and Melbourne comedy circuit fixture Janet McLeod. Both Holly and Callum received their music degrees from the WA Academy of Performing Arts, and have toured with the Australian Youth Orchestra and worked casually with the West Australian Symphony Orchestra.

Holly explains that one of the drawcards of the JUMP program was the opportunity to develop her skills beyond the classical genre, to become a self-sustaining artist. "During my mentorship I've started working on a few side projects, where I'm writing songs, singing and playing piano", she says. "The JUMP program has been great because I've always had the guidance of an experienced mentor every step of the way".



All three JUMP participants are incredibly skilled in their given crafts and are excited to be able to celebrate the culmination of the mentorship program by producing a performance which highlights their new skills.

JUMP, the National Mentoring Program for Young and Emerging Artists, is supported by the Australia Council for the Arts, the Australian Government's arts funding and advisory body, through the Opportunities for Young and Emerging Artists initiative. JUMP is managed nationally by Youth Arts Queensland in collaboration with State Delivery Partners, including Propel Youth Arts WA in Western Australia. Propel Youth Arts WA is the peak body for youth arts in Western Australia dedicated to creating opportunities for young people to engage in the world of art. For more information, visit [www.propel.org.au](http://www.propel.org.au)

### **JUMP Mentoring Showcase**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2011- 7pm  
The Ellington Jazz Club, 191 Beaufort St, Perth  
Tickets available at [www.ellingtonjazz.com.au](http://www.ellingtonjazz.com.au)

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