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PPCA AND THE AUSTRALIA COUNCIL OPEN NEW ROUND OF RECORDING GRANTS

PPCA is delighted to again partner with the Australia Council to offer the fifth round of its highly successful program which offers five \$15,000 grants to assist Australian artists create new recordings.

The partnership was first launched in October 2013 and previous recipients have included Courtney Barnett, who used the grant money to assist in the recording of her ARIA Award winning Album 'Sometimes I sit and think, and sometimes I just sit', ARIA Award winners and classical guitarists Slava and Leonard Grigoryan, ARIA Award winners All Our Exes Live In Texas, Singer-songwriter and guitarist Mia Dyson and Perth's Laura Jane Lowther aka KUCKA.

Dan Rosen, PPCA Chief Executive Officer said "We are really pleased to be able to offer these grants and contribute to the range and diversity of Australian music. The applications last year were incredibly strong and a great indication of the quality and depth of our local recording artists.

"We look forward to working with the Australia Council again to help more local artists realise their musical ambitions."

Paul Mason, Director Music at the Australia Council added "These grants provide much needed support for an artistically strong and diverse Australian recording sector, and we are really pleased to continue this partnership with the PPCA".

Applications are now open and will close on 7 March 2018. For more information and to apply for a grant head to: <http://www.australiacouncil.gov.au/strategies-and-frameworks/ppca-australia-council-partnership/>

Applicants should take the opportunity to register with PPCA under its Artist Direct Distribution Scheme.

Registration for Australian artists is free. Details can be found at <http://www.pcca.com.au/artists-home-/register-as-an-artist/> or by contacting PPCA on (02) 8569 1100.

PPCA represents thousands of Australian recording artists when their music is used in public. In 2018 PPCA distributed more than \$38 million to its registered artists and record labels. Go to www.pcca.com.au.

The Australia Council is the Australian Government's arts funding and advisory body. The Council supports artists and arts organisations to create and present artistically adventurous work, and delivers national and international strategic activity which develops markets and audiences for Australian work.

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