


Forte & K rock 95.5 Presents

# Emerging Artist Stage



25-27 JAN 2025

FESTIVAL OF SAILS



## Get Ready to Hit the Stage!

Calling all emerging artists! Join us at the Emerging Artist Stage, nestled within the lively atmosphere of Tipi on the Bay at Fairne Park! We're thrilled to welcome back Forte and introduce K Rock as partners for this fantastic competition, taking place on **Saturday, January 25, and Sunday, January 26, 2025**. This is your chance to shine! Local singer-songwriters and duos will showcase their original music in an idyllic outdoor setting. Picture yourself grabbing a drink from the main bar, settling into a sun chair, and enjoying the laid-back tunes throughout the afternoon, all while surrounded by food vendors and the scenic backdrop of yachts gliding across the bay.

### Prizes

#### From Forte (for both days):

- **1st Prize:** Feature editorial on Fortemag.com.au, full-page feature in Forte Magazine, lead item in eDM, Instagram post + story.
- **Runner Up (x2):** News editorial on Fortemag.com.au, half-page feature in Forte Magazine, eDM feature, Instagram story.

#### From K rock (for both days):

- **1st Prize:** Interview and song feature on Great Ocean Odes (K Rock 95.5).

#### From Festival of Sails (for both days):

- **1st Prize:** A gig on the main stage at Festival of Sails 2026.

## Terms and Conditions

### Eligibility:

- The **Emerging Artist Competition** (Saturday, January 25) is open to participants aged 18 years and older.
- The **Emerging Artist Competition** (Sunday, January 26) is open to aspiring artists aged 12+. Participants under 18 must have a guardian present during their performance.

### Competition Format:

- The competition is a game of skill, judged on the quality of original music performed by participants. Judges will evaluate performances based on creativity, musicality, and overall presentation.

### Performance Details:

- Each performance will consist of a set lasting 20 minutes, with a 10-15 minute changeover between acts. Participants are responsible for bringing their own instruments and any necessary equipment.
- **No backline will be provided.**

### Registration:

- All participants must complete the online registration form by January 15, 2025. Late entries will not be accepted.

### Judging:

- Judges will be appointed by the organizers and their decisions are final. Participants will be informed of the results at the end of the competition.

### Prizes:

- Prizes will be awarded as outlined on the Festival of Sails website. Each winner will also have the opportunity to perform on the main stage at the next year's Festival of Sails.
- **I acknowledge that I must be present at 6:30 PM on the day of my performance to be eligible to win a prize.**

**Promotion:**

- By entering the competition, participants grant the organizers permission to use their names, likenesses, and recordings for promotional purposes related to the event.
- **Entrants may be photographed by Royal Geelong Yacht Club / Festival of Sails, and their images shared on the Club's Facebook and Instagram accounts, and/or the Club's website.**

**Conduct:**

- Participants are expected to conduct themselves professionally and respectfully at all times. Any behaviour deemed inappropriate may result in disqualification from the competition.

**Changes to Terms:**

- The organizers reserve the right to modify these terms and conditions as necessary, with prior notice provided to participants.