

CONSCIOUS *NXT*

2026 PROGRAM OVERVIEW

CONSCIOUS NXT ACADEMY

Session 1: Introduction Session

Date: Wednesday 24 June

Time: 4:00pm — 6:30pm

Location: Campbelltown Arts Centre

This session will introduce students to the Conscious NXT Academy. It will feature icebreakers, activities and information that will ground students in some basic music industry concepts, and introduce them to the various roles and pathways in the music industry.

Session 2: The Art of Sampling

Date: Wednesday 1 July

Time: 4:00pm — 6:30pm

Location: Campbelltown Arts Centre

Participants will learn about the production technique of sampling and the relevant legal and ethical implications that relate to songwriting and music production.

Session 3: Songwriting Session #1

Date: Monday 6 July*

Time: 9:00am — 3:00pm

Location: Campbelltown Arts Centre

***Please note this session will take place during the school holidays.**

Participants will be split into two groups, where they will work with their facilitators and an acclaimed music producer to create their own songs. They will learn about the components of a song, how to be effective storytellers through lyric writing and how to express themselves through music.

Session 4: Songwriting Session #2

Date: Wednesday 8 July*

Time: 9:00am — 3:00pm

Location: Campbelltown Arts Centre

***Please note this session will take place during the school holidays.**

Participants will continue working in groups with their facilitators and an acclaimed music producer to refine their songs and lay down a demo, in preparation for finalising their songs in a professional recording studio.

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Sessions 5 & 6: Studio Sessions #1 & #2

Date: Wednesday 15 July & Friday 17 July*

Time: 9:00am — 3:00pm

Location: Recording Studio in Moorebank (Pick up & Drop off point Campbelltown Arts Centre)

***Please note these sessions will take place in the same week, during the school holidays.**

Participants are only required to attend one of these sessions based on the group they are assigned to.

Participants continue working in their groups to record their songs at a professional music studio under the guidance of their facilitators, a music producer and studio engineers.

Session 7: Music Management & Cover Art

Date: Wednesday 22 July

Time: 4:00pm — 6:30pm

Location: Campbelltown Arts Centre

Participants will hear from a practicing artist manager and learn about artist branding, cover art and how to present themselves to audiences and the music industry.

Session 8: Introduction to Mixing

Date: Wednesday 29 July

Time: 4:00pm — 6:30pm

Location: Campbelltown Arts Centre

Participants will be taught the basics of how to mix and master their own music, learning about the various plugins and processes involved in taking raw audio through to completion.

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Session 9: Content Creation & Social Media Marketing

Date: Wednesday 5 August

Time: 4:00pm — 6:30pm

Location: Campbelltown Arts Centre

Participants will continue working on their artwork, and work with a professional video production company to create social media content for their songs which will complement their song release campaigns.

Session 10: Song Release Preparation, Performance Workshop & Graduation

Date: Monday 10 August

Time: 9:00am — 4:00pm (Session) 4:00pm — 6:00pm (Graduation Ceremony & Listening Party)

Location: Campbelltown Arts Centre

Participants will do a photoshoot, and learn how to prepare a marketing campaign for the release of their song. They will undergo a performance workshop, then reflect on their experience and accomplishments in the Conscious NXT Academy and talk about what's next. The program will wrap with family and friends being invited to join the participants for a celebration and listening party, to acknowledge their achievements having completed the Conscious NXT Academy.



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