

This year's songwriting competition offers two starting points for aspiring songwriters to explore as they get creative.

LIST

A number of connected items or names written or printed consecutively, typically one below the other.

ASPIRE 2019 is going to be inspired by lists. This theme will flow through its characters and storylines. As you prepare to get creative on this topic maybe think about different types of lists we make, shopping – bucket, pros and cons and why we make lists.

HERO

A person who is admired for their courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities.

There may well be a few heroic characters in ASPIRE 2019. Using this theme as your starting point think about everyday heroes as well as the super variety. What does it take to be a hero and who are heroes to you?

WEEK 8, TERM 4 2018

Entries can be uploaded to the ASPIRE website

WEEK 4, TERM 1 2019

Entries close

WEEK 5, TERM 1 2019

Shortlisting of entries

WEEK 7, TERM 1 2019

Workshopping of shortlisted songs

WEEK 9, TERM 1 2019

Songwriters Showcase Performance where the winner will be decided (Wednesday 3 April 2019)

As with last year's competition after entries close, shortlisted finalists will have the opportunity to workshop their song with professional musicians. The winner will be decided at a live concert where a panel will judge the songs. This year there will be both a primary and secondary winner, both of whom will received a \$300 Muso's Corner Voucher and have their song professionally recorded at Tommirock Studios. The songs will then be used in the promotion of the 2019 ASPIRE production! For this year's winner visit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mXQjtRf0D1A

HOW TO ENTER

Video or record yourself singing and/or playing your composition, even if this is a work in progress, and save it as an **mp3** file. Attach a **copy** of your lyrics and music e.g. the chords you play with your song. However, writing out your song isn't compulsory. We really want to hear your song! You will be able to enter and upload your files to the ASPIRE website from **Week 8, Term 4 2018.**