YOUTH ARTS NEW ZEALAND
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RANGATAHI ON STAGE

The first paid gig changes everything.

Musicians, MCs, DJs, dancers and spoken word artists aged 16 to 29, booked into town squares, markets, malls, festivals, theatres and community events across Tāmaki Makaurau. Real stages, real pay, paid within seven days.

$1.67M+
earned by rangatahi through YANZ

273
young people paid for gig work since 2019

1 in 4
booked again in a later year

7 days
from gig to getting paid



HOW RANGATAHI ON STAGE WORKS

From the bedroom to the stage.

Fair rates, paid within seven days

WHAT IT IS

The bridge between making music in your bedroom and being a working artist. Organisers come to us for live talent, and we match them with vetted young artists ready for the stage, and experienced young crew to run the sound. Being paid a professional rate tells a young artist their work has value, and shows their whānau and community that the arts can be a career.

WHO IT'S FOR

Young creatives ready for their first paid gigs, or their next ones: performers, and the live sound engineers and photographers who work alongside them. And anyone running a space or an event who wants live, local, youthful energy in it.

HOW IT WORKS

Send us a date, a space and a vibe. We put forward a lineup, then look after the contracts, run sheet, gear and the day. Battery-powered amps mean a pop-up can happen almost anywhere. A friendly YANZ face welcomes each artist in, and we help first-timers write their first invoice.

WHERE IT LEADS

Many performers find their first stage at an Open Mic Kai Night, and our crew come through Events Pathways. This is where both turn into paid, professional work.



on the waterfront · a paid booking



acoustic trio · birkenhead

BOOKED THREE YEARS RUNNING

"For me, it is as simple as sending one email and knowing the entertainment will be taken care of to an exceptional standard."

Carolyn Taylor, Parnell Business Association

GET INVOLVED

Book an artist, or tell us about your space

ros.youtharts.nz · artists sign up at ros.youtharts.nz/for-artists

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street sounds · a paid set



the band, booked

first gigs, real stages

our own gear · no mains power

Steve Bone Photography