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## COLLEGE ANNOUNCES END OF YEAR MUSIC GIGS

Yeovil College's final year BND Music students will be performing two end-of-year gigs at the Orange Box in Yeovil on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2009**.

This will be the last chance to see the College's top student bands before the end of term.

The line-up includes nine of this year's best bands performing original music and a variety of covers demonstrating the range of styles and musicianship mastered by the students.

The Wednesday gig will include performances from the ever-popular **Bensons**, the **Sam Lloyd Experience**, **Mojito Sound System**, **Adam West** and **Spuffnluk**.

Thursday will feature **The Piggy Bank Thieves**, **Nik**, **Vaguely Arabian**, **Slipstream** and **Spuffnluk**.

A range of CDs recorded by the students and merchandise will also be available on the nights.

Simon Squire, Head of Music at Yeovil College, said "*These gigs are always a highlight of the year for us and for everyone who comes to see them. It's a great last opportunity to see these talented bands before they leave for university and employment and enjoy the results of two year's hard work by the students.*"

The gigs will take place at the Orange Box in Yeovil on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June and Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2009 starting at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £4 on the door or available in advance from Yeovil College. Tickets are also available from Acorn Records (admin fee applies).

For more information about Yeovil College's Music and Performing Arts courses, call 01935 423921, email [info@yeovil.ac.uk](mailto:info@yeovil.ac.uk) or visit [www.yeovil.ac.uk](http://www.yeovil.ac.uk).

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### **The Bands**

**The Bensons** – Featuring the excellent vocals of Elspeth Edmonds, bass guitarist Josh Hart, guitarist Josh Tucker, guitarist Lewis Convoy and drummer Chris Handcock. An indie-pop group, with some serious disco leanings, in the

style of bands such as The Cranberries and The Sundays. All original material, infectious grooves and memorable hooks.

**The Sam Lloyd Experience** – Singer/guitarist Sam Lloyd sings self-penned songs about love and life, backed by a variety of musicians from the second year of the BND Music course.

**Mojito Sound System** – Winners of this years' Yeovil College Battle of The Bands competition in March, the Band are a funky blend of drums, bass and guitar. Featuring the Piggy Bank Thieves' bass player Joe Trudgeon.

**Adam West** – Six talented players from our first year make up Adam West, including Ryan Callard on vocals, twin guitars from Scott Hitchcock and James Jackson, Keyboards and Percussion from Hannah Woolmington, Drums from Chris Woolmington, and Bass playing from Liam Fowler.

**Spuffnluk** – The vocals and words of The Bensons Elspeth Edmonds and the acoustic guitar stylings of Nik guitarist Luke Hicken. Throw in a couple of unusual cover versions and this is one of the best opening acts you'll see all year.

**The Piggy Bank Thieves** – Include charismatic front man Lewis Convoy (guitar/vocals), Joe Trudgeon (Bass) and Rob Payne (drums). Perform a good mix of original indie, blues, punk and ska with some stunning guitar playing and great showmanship from Lewis Convoy, a performer to watch.

**Nik** – Include Adam Smart (Bass/vocals), Luke Hicken (guitar/vocals), Sean Seal (guitar) and Zoe Coleman (drums). A quirky indie band in the style of the Hoosiers who perform many original tunes.

**Vaguely Arabian** – The bright new hope for Punk, this band could be the noughties answer to the Teardrop Explodes but with more angst. The band includes first years Toby Walkley (Guitar/vocals), Jake Belben (Bass), Bok Thiphakorn (Keyboards) and Dean Frost (drums).

**Slipstream** – Influenced by Paul Weller and the Gallagher Brothers, this power trio could produce great things in the second year of their course. Featuring Sam Killaspy on Vocals and Guitar, Dean Frost on Drums and Bok Thiphakorn on Bass.