



FAN CAMP

WEEKENDER Vol. 2

About BIG FAN

BIG FAN is a not-for-profit, multi-purpose music space located in Morningside, Tāmaki Makaurau. We offer three world-class recording studios and a live music venue all under one roof. Our goal is to bring people together, to support the role of music in the betterment of people's lives, and to foster the talents of musicians, songwriters, and those behind the scenes at every level.

FAN CAMP: Weekender Vol. 2

Fan Camp is a short immersive two-and-a-half-day collaborative songwriting camp held at BIG FAN. The weekend is to encourage collaboration and exploration of composing with other musical creatives with no commercial expectations or obligations.

The Weekender was designed for creators to have a taste of what writing camps are like with less barriers than week-long camps may create. Nine successful applicants will be chosen.

WHAT'S ON OFFER: FAN CAMP provides each successful applicant with:

- The opportunity to write songs in collaboration with other artists, songwriters, and producers at BIG FAN for two-and-a-half-days.
- Supervision from skilled production mentors.
- Lunch and beverages each day.

DATES - FAN CAMP: Weekender Vol. 2

Friday 22nd May to Sunday 24th May 2026

Friday – 5.30PM – 8PM – Intros, kai and setup

Saturday & Sunday - 9AM - 5PM - Full day writing

Applications Open: Tuesday 14th April 10am

Applications Close: Tuesday 21st April 10pm

ELIGIBILITY: Who Can Apply

Artists, songwriters, and producers wanting to take part in collaborate songwriting.

- Open to citizens and residents across Aotearoa that are over the age of 18.
- Demonstrate desire and passion for collaborative songwriting.
- Have had some experience in writing or co-writing a song.

To apply for FAN CAMP, we ask for:

- Your availability for the full 2.5 days.
- Up to two audio recordings of music that you've written or collaborated on.
- Contact information.

SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCESS

Our focus in selection centres on:

- Craft, musicality & originality of songs submitted.
- Strength of the application.
- Desire and passion for collaborative experience.
- Potential to grow as a songwriter.

Of the shortlisted applicants, consideration will be given to ensure:

- Fair representation.
- A spread of musical role specialisations and genres.

CONDITIONS: All successful applicants are required to:

- Adhere to the BIG FAN code of conduct.
- Arrange their own travel and accommodation as needed.
- Agree to equal songwriting splits in the spirit of collaboration.

FAQS

Skills and Experience:

We welcome all types of musical creatives - artists, songwriters, producers to take part. For this programme, we are looking for people that have had at least some experience in writing or co-writing.

Age Restriction:

You must be 18 or over during the week of Fan Camp

Fee/Cost:

There is NO cost to participate in this programme.

Outside Tāmaki Makaurau:

We are open to application from outside the Tāmaki Makaurau region, however you must be able to make your own way to and from the camp and be available for the entire week.

International Applications:

FAN CAMP is open to New Zealand citizens and permanent residents only. However, our facilities are available for hire to all.

Find BIG FAN:

Located at 25 McDonald Road in Morningside, Tāmaki Makaurau.

Parking and Transportation:

Our location is also convenient for public transport access via the Morningside train station and nearby bus routes.

Criteria Eligibility:

All outlined criteria must be met for this programme. If you're unsure or have any questions, please get in touch with us at info@bigfan.co.nz. Our studio and venue facilities are available to hire to all, so if this programme isn't quite the right fit, please feel free to enquire or check out our other programmes on offer.

Application:

You (or a representative) can apply once per round. If you applied and weren't successful for the previous Fan Camp, we encourage you to apply again and for other programmes held at BIG FAN.

Anything Else:

Get in touch with us info@bigfan.co.nz