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AUS-ACA BRINGS PITCH PERFECT ALIVE ACROSS THE COUNTRY

ADELAIDE, SA — As a cappella grows on the international stage with major motion pictures such as [Pitch Perfect](https://www.pitchperfectmovie.com/), and TV shows like [Glee](http://www.fox.com/glee/) and [The Sing Off](http://www.nbc.com/the-sing-off), a cappella is going national in Australia with the first ever live [AUS-ACA: National A Cappella Championship](http://vocalaustralia.com/aus-aca/). Produced by [Vocal Australia](http://vocalaustralia.com/), the South Australia AUS-ACA State Final will be held on Saturday 24 May, 2014 at 7pm in Elder Hall at University of Adelaide.

"Pitch Perfect has opened the door for a cappella in Australia. Singers and audiences around the nation have renewed excitement by what is possible with just the human voice and a few mates. With new a cappella groups constantly forming, the timing is perfect for a National A Cappella Championship. Audiences should get ready to lift their jaws off the ground when they realise that everything is live and the singers are making music with just their mouths!" says Vocal Australia Co-Founder and Director, Amelia Alder.

The SA State Final will feature 7 University and League groups; 3 Tarts & A Diva,  
Adelaide Allsorts Harmony Chorus, [Aurora](http://vocalaustralia.com/vocal-groups/2767/aurora-young-adelaide-voices/" \t "_blank)(Young Adelaide Voices), The Con Artists, [Festival Statesmen Youth Chorus](http://vocalaustralia.com/vocal-groups/2780/festival-statesmen-youth-chorus/), In Unitate, and [Now In Stereo](http://vocalaustralia.com/vocal-groups/2807/now-in-stereo/" \t "_blank)

and will be judged by international a cappella stars [Hannah Juliano](http://hannahjulianomusic.com/), [Nicholas Girard](http://www.housejacks.com/bios/nick-girard-biography/), and [Austin Willacy](http://www.austinwillacy.com/). Each group will perform a 10-minute, entirely a cappella set and the top 2 groups will progress through to the National Final in September.

All three celebrity judges have worked for or on NBC’s 100% a cappella reality competition [The Sing Off](http://www.nbc.com/the-sing-off), produced by [The House Jack’s](http://www.housejacks.com/) founder and [Pitch Perfect](https://www.pitchperfectmovie.com/) Vocal Producer, [Deke Sharon](http://www.dekesharon.com/" \t "_blank).

“Coming off [Musae's](http://www.musaevocal.com/) Asian tour, I have never been more excited to see what the world a cappella scene has to offer,” says Juliano. “I am thrilled to judge such a progressive competition in its inaugural year, and to be able to work with groups all over the country."

“Aus-Aca is a fantastic initiative, bringing Australia's finest a cappella groups together with some top international judges to test our metal,” says Jonathan Bligh, Founder and Musical Director, [Festival Statesmen Youth Chorus](http://vocalaustralia.com/vocal-groups/2780/festival-statesmen-youth-chorus/). “The Festival Statesmen are very excited to be in the state finals and look forward to sharing the stage with the other competitors in SA!"

Tickets are available online through [Eventbrite](http://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/vocal-australia-5971990339) or [www.vocalaustralia.com](http://www.vocalaustralia.com/" \t "_blank)  ($20/$15/$10).

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**About:**

AUS-ACA: National A Cappella Championship   
SA State Final

Saturday 24 May, 2014 at 7pm

Elder Hall, University of Adelaide

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