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***Off the Couch* showcases local acoustic talent**

Live music fans have the opportunity to see some of South Australia's best aspiring bands and musicians at free, all ages, live music shows held around Adelaide City.

The gigs are part of Carclew's 2011 ***Off the Couch*** program and the fifth in the series – an acoustic showcase – will be held at **The Promethean** on **Friday, May 6**.

Some of the state's top emerging acoustic artists will set the line up for the showcase presented by Carclew Youth Arts' ***Off the Couch*** program. Doors open from 8pm and the line up includes **Renee Pounsett, Ishan Salvador Abbott-Herft, Simplicity** and **Thom Lion**.

"The *Off the Couch* program has been running successfully for 15 years now and has helped many young South Australians make a start in the music industry," said *Off the Couch* Project Officer Tara Lynch.

"There are so many unknown talented, young musicians out there and we're encouraging everyone to come along and support these emerging acoustic artists."

Off the Couch is a program that is run by young people for young people with the assistance of industry professionals. It was developed to address the lack of performance opportunities for young musicians in South Australia and expanded to provide opportunities for young people to learn hands-on about the performance industry through sound engineering, marketing, promotions, stage management and much more.

More than 700 bands and musicians have pounded the boards at *Off the Couch* events in the past 15 years, showcasing to a total audience of more than 70,000 at some of Adelaide's most popular venues.

What's On & Social Photography Opportunity

WHAT: *Off The Couch* – Acoustic Showcase

WHEN: Friday, May 6. From 8pm

WHERE: The Promethean, North Terrace, Adelaide

Licensed, all ages – free event

The 2011 schedule of remaining *Off the Couch* events is:

Friday May 6
Friday May 20

Acoustic Showcase, The Promethean
Rock, The Producers Bar

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