

# WHYALLA NEWS

## Scholarship winner to release new single

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*LOCAL STAR: Shakira Lea says writing her own music has been a cathartic experience.*

Whyalla Recording Scholarship winner Shakira Lea is set to release new music this weekend, with her brand new single "Drowning" launching online.

The new original song is the follow-up single to her successful debut "I Miss You" which reached the Top 20 of the Australian Country Charts on iTunes.

Shakira says this latest recording experience has been rewarding one.

"Recording my original music has been an effective way for me to express who I truly am. I can be creative on my own terms, and let people get to know the real me. It's a cathartic experience, writing songs from personal experience" she said.

"In a way I feel more comfortable writing down my emotions in song. Drowning is a culmination of some of those feelings and emotions."

"Drowning" was written and produced with the assistance of Mark Tempany and Alison Hams at Stormfront Productions as an ongoing sponsorship, through their Whyalla Recording Scholarship.

Drowning launches at midday on Sunday, March 14 at [shakiraleamusic.com](http://shakiraleamusic.com)