

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

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When did you attend Lowanna College?

I began Year 7 at Lowanna College in 2005 and I graduated in 2010.

What were your memories of Lowanna College?

I have great memories of Lowanna College and made many great friendships during my time there, many of whom I am still close with today. I participated in 4 school productions, and one of my favourite memories was playing 'Rizzo' in the 2009 production of Grease. I loved participating in the productions and they were often a highlight of my year.

How do you think your experiences at Lowanna College helped you become the person you are today?

I think the skills you learn in high school are invaluable for your adult life. My time at Lowanna taught me how to manage my time, how to work with others and how to prioritise

things that are important to you. I made great friends at Lowanna who are all exceptional people, and they have shaped the person I am as we have grown up together.

Was there anyone at Lowanna College who had a positive impact and upon reflection, influenced you to follow the path you have chosen?

I had just begun pursuing my music career in my last years of school at Lowanna. I felt like the whole school community, including my teachers and fellow students, supported and encouraged me to pursue my passion which was so valuable when I was just starting out.

What did you do after leaving Lowanna College, and where are you now?

Since leaving school I pursued my passion for music and have forged a career as an independent singer songwriter. I attended the CMAA Academy of Country Music

and have since recorded and released 3 records of original material. I am currently working full-time as a professional musician, performing weekly around Victorian venues and promoting my original music as well. As I write this I am just about to head to the States to teach music to kids at a summer camp in California, which I am super excited about!

What are your greatest accomplishments (list any awards, achievements, defining moments etc.)?

One of my greatest accomplishments was winning the 2014 'FreeZA Push Start Battle of the Bands' competition. I performed as a solo artist and became the first ever soloist to win the competition, competing against 350 bands from Victoria. It was an incredible day and felt like a lot of hard work had paid off. Another one of my favourite moments was playing at the Bluebird Cafe in Nashville, Tennessee in 2016. The Bluebird is a renowned singer

songwriter venue and it was an unreal honour to play on the same stage that some of my favourite artists had also performed on.

What advice would you like to give any of our current Lowanna College students?

- Don't stress too much if you don't yet know exactly what it is you want to do after school. Definitely stick it out and finish Year 12 because having that behind you is invaluable and will really help afterwards!
- It's okay if you feel a little lost at the moment, you will find your calling even if it takes a little time.
- Don't be afraid to change your mind, and don't stress if you feel like your path isn't going to follow a traditional post-high school trajectory - mine definitely wasn't! I followed my passion and have now turned it into a full-time job.