

ADAM SOFO TO TAKE A CHAIR AT AICM

The Australian International Conservatorium of Music (AICM) has relocated to a new campus in Rozelle and is delighted to have Adam Sofu join our teaching team in 2009.



Adam Sofu

Adam is the keyboard player in the Aussie Rock Band *Silverchair* and has recently finished a thirteen-month world tour releasing the five-time Aria Award winning Album 'Young Modern'. In recent times, he was awarded a triple platinum ARIA for his contribution to the Australian Music Industry. When he is not touring with *Silverchair*, he plays keyboards for *Axle Whitehead*, *Natalie Bassingthwaighite*, *John Stevens*, *Marlene Cummins* and *Declan Kelly* - with a new single recently winning the Oz Music Award for best blues & roots song.

He also plays keyboards for pop star *Emilia De Poret* and their recent album release topped the charts in Europe. He freelances as a session musician and has played on numerous albums including *Merenia Gillies'* latest release 'Libertine' with ABC publishing.

He recently worked with *Joe Azzardi* (Musical Director for *Human Nature*) on the arrangement for the Prague Symphony Orchestra's Opera House performance with the Aussie boy band *Human Nature*. He is

co-director of the Choir at the *Independent Theatre for the Australian Elizabethan Theatre Trust* in North Sydney and wrote arrangements recently performed at the opening of the Australian Cricket Test series at the SCG.

He is a contracted composer for *Les Gock Sound Thinking*, the *DA's Office* and *Pedestrian Group*. His work includes underscores for the television series *Sea Change* and music for *Qantas*, *Channel 10* and numerous other ads. He played piano on the film score for the 2007 AFI award winning documentary 'Bomb Harvest'. He composed music for the ABC television series 'A Place to Think'. He produced, and arranged, for *Australian Idol* finalists in 2006. He was Composer and Producer for the music single 'All About Your Love' with *Katie Underwood* in 2006. He has had a six-year affiliation with SCSGT providing all the home game entertainment for Australian Football, Cricket. Super 14 Series, State of Origin, Wallabies and Bledisloe Cup.

When he is not doing, all of this, he runs his own production company. He composes, arranges and produces songs for individual artists, writes music for film and television and is currently working on his second album.

Adam completed undergraduate and post graduate music awards at the Australian National University (Canberra School of Music).

'Adam Sofo represents all that is good about contemporary Australian Music' says Principal of AICM, Dr Greg Whateley. 'Teacher, composer, arranger, orchestrator and performer – Adam is a man/musician for all seasons – and we are both honoured and delighted to have him on our AICM team'.

In 2009 Adam will teach keyboard at AICM.