

Alternative Radio Station Contacts

NZ is lucky to have more radio stations per capita than anywhere else in the world. Among them is a handful of alternative radio stations that champion difference and diversity. They are big supporters of local music and NZ On Air funds special NZ Music features on each station. See 'Getting Airplay on Alt Radio' for suggestions on how to go about contacting them.

■ 95bFM - Auckland 95.0

www.95bfm.com

In 1969, Radio Bosom was born as a student capping stunt, broadcasting illegally from a boat in the Waitemata Harbour. It is the longest-standing independent radio station in New Zealand. They believe in radio is 'better when it's free from commercial pressures, and that it should be challenging without being inaccessible.' They strive to support NZ music, develop talent and provide excellence in radio presentation.

Music submissions: pennie@95bfm.com

■ BaseFM - Auckland 107.3

basefm.co.nz

Base FM is a collective of DJs who began broadcasting in May 2004 straight out of Ponsonby / Grey Lynn, aiming to bring underground music to the community. No commercial hustle, no fake machismo muscle. Their rotating roster of DJs, producers and musicians are all involved in the New Zealand Hip Hop, Reggae, Funk and Soul scenes. It's 100% DJ's choice 100% of the time.

Music submissions: dylanc@basefm.co.nz

■ The Most FM - Taranaki 100.4

www.mostfm.com

For over 20 years The Most FM has been playing the music that reflects Taranaki's community with a focus on diversity. They keep advertising to a minimum and play a progressive mix of local, New Zealand and International music.

Music submissions: jack@mostfm.com

■ Radio Control - Manawatu 99.4

www.radiocontrol.org.nz

Radio Control is an alternative student radio station based at Massey University's Palmerston North Campus. It aims to represent the under-represented in locally focused music and arts. If it's new, interesting and original, it's on Control.

Music submissions:

music@radiocontrol.org.nz

■ Radio Active - Wellington 88.6

www.radioactive.fm

Radio Active has lived at the heart of Wellington culture since 1977, reflecting the sounds that bubble through the city, Aotearoa and beyond. It has a whole host of specialist programming including live-to-air performances that cater to the ears of its diverse audience.

Music submissions:

miles@radioactive.fm or

music@radioactive.fm

■ RDU - Canterbury 98.5

www.rdu.org.nz

RDU98.5FM is the professional independent leader and source of music, opinion and culture for Christchurch. No other Christchurch radio station can lay claim to building, supporting and developing the local and national music scene more than RDU98.5FM. Their audience is made up of interested, involved, passionate, artistic and innovative people of all ages.

Music submissions: pd@rdu.org.nz

■ Pulzar FM - Canterbury 105.7

www.pulzarfm.co.nz

'Christchurch's Heart Beat' - Pulzar started life in 1999 as a low power dance radio station. It has developed a loyal following and now plays an energetic mix of pop, electronica, dance and classic tracks, appealing to the youthful and young at heart.

Music submissions:

andy.poulsen@pulzarfm.co.nz

■ Radio One - Dunedin 91.0

www.r1.co.nz

Radio One proudly champions local and national emerging talent. Planted at the heart of urban culture, the station broadcasts from the Otago University campus and prides itself on variety and diversity when it comes to music.

Music submissions: simon@r1.co.nz