

NEW MUSIC ACTS COMPETE IN 'THE EXIT FACTOR' AT THE LINDA

The Exit Factor, a showcase for new artists with original material, will take place Thursday, October 4th at 7:30 pm at The Linda in Albany. Artists perform for industry judges, and the winner – chosen by the judges and audience – receives a special showcase slot at Capital Area Indie Fest on Saturday, October 6 at The Egg. Local indie-music radio station, WEXT (Exit 97.7), and HAVE Inc. – which serves the music, film and video community with professional products and services – sponsor the show together with Columbia Arts Team. Christina Dellea, a singer known throughout the area, hosts.

“We are thrilled to be partnering with WEXT, a station that is so supportive of local musicians,” enthused Liv Cummins, co-founder of Columbia Arts Team. “Our missions intersect beautifully.”

The three industry judges will offer constructive feedback and insights. Entrants are encouraged to bring as many supporters as possible, as the audience vote counts toward the result. The industry judges’ votes will be calculated together with the audience votes at the end of the night, and a winner announced. All ages are welcomed to attend. To be eligible to perform at The Exit Factor, artists must be new on the local music scene, and have all original material. To apply for the remaining slot in the show, artists should contact Christina Dellea at chris@columbiaartsteam.org.

The show is a fundraiser for Columbia Arts Team (CAT), a 501 (c) 3 not-for-profit performing arts company. Wine, beer and refreshments will be available. Audience tickets are \$12./ \$10. for seniors/students/catalyst members, and may be purchased at www.columbiaartsteam.org or at the door. CAT showcases new, original musicians, writers and performers, as well as brings arts programs into area schools.

The Linda is WAMC’s Performing Arts Studio, and is located on 339 Central Ave, Albany, NY. See their schedule at www.thelinda.org