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# HOW DO FUNGI ON A CD IMPROVE THE GROOVE?

See where nanotechnology meets music composition! Witness how mathematics and music can be merged and find out what lies beyond 'randomness!' It's all part of a forum, *'Electronic Music: a beautiful set of numbers,'* at the State Library of Victoria next week.

What do composers Warren Burt, Darrin Verhagen and Alan Lamb have in common with conductor/composer Richard Divall and DJ/scientist Cameron Jones? Science and music inspire them all! Hear these specialists discuss and demonstrate how frontier technologies and discoveries contribute to the composition of innovative new music. Alan Lamb has delved into the harmonics of telephone wires while Warren Burt has delved into harmonics with sound in gasses other than air. Scientist Cameron Jones recently discovered that bacteria grown on the surface of a music CD can lead to some interesting arrangements!

The two hour forum will explore how science has helped to shape the work of many prominent electronic musicians working in Australia and abroad. Speakers include: Dr Cameron Jones, Warren Burt, Alan Lamb and Richard Divall. Composer Darrin Verhagen will be performing live electronic music and composer and lecturer in sound Philip Samartzis will be chairing the forum.

*'Electronic Music: a beautiful set of numbers'* is part of Science Week which aims to promote the work of accomplished Australian researchers and scientists.

*'Electronic Music: a beautiful set of numbers'*

Thursday August 19, at 6-8pm

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Bookings: 8664 7016

Entry is free.

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