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### **Album launch highlights ocean conservation**

#### ***Whale Breathing – Album Launch***

- *Simone Keane and Giles Watson*
- *Albany Town Hall, Saturday 12th March, 7pm.*
- *Hosted by Albany Public Library*

Albany Public Library will proudly host the launch of an album titled '*Whale Breathing*' by talented singer-songwriter Simone Keane and poet Giles Watson this month.

About a year ago, Albany writer Giles Watson sent a poem to a person he had never met. He asked her if she would be interested in making it into a song. A year later, award winning singer-songwriter Simone Keane has transformed Giles' lyrics into songs that tell stories of oceanic wonders, and has also written compositions of her own which appear on the album.

'Whale Breathing' showcases their combined talents into a 17-track album of songs and poems that communicate their shared passion for the oceans, which they hope will inspire listeners and help conserve and protect our oceans now and for future generations.

City of Albany Manager of Library Services Paul Nielsen said the library had hosted a number of the pair's popular events but this launch was particularly exciting.

"Working together with two amazing local artists is a real treat and the launch is shaping as a highlight on the Library's calendar. Be sure to book your tickets as we expect a full house in the Town Hall," he said.

During the launch, images from international and local photographers will also be showcased.

The album launch is at Albany Town Hall on Saturday, March 12 at 7pm. Doors will open at 6pm with a cash bar and album sales. To book or for more information visit [library@albany.wa.gov.au](mailto:library@albany.wa.gov.au) or call 9841 9328. Tickets are available from Albany Public Library and cost \$10 adult, \$7 concession, under 14 free.

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