

PRESS RELEASE

St Albans Calling - Launch on 11 November 2012 at Kashu Proceeds of Album Sales Go to Local Charities

St Albans, 08 October 2012... St Albans Calling, a collective of musical artists from the St Albans district, is delighted to announce the final line-up for the album, also entitled St Albans Calling. To celebrate the launch, St Albans Calling will be hosting a launch party in conjunction with local restaurant Kashu on 11 November 2012, from 12:00 to 5:00pm, coinciding with the city's Remembrance Day celebrations

The line-up includes the following local acts:

- The Mighty Waves
- Nick & the Sun Machine
- The Zipheads
- Astral Gurus
- The Pocket Gods
- The Shantlys
- Lucy Hodson
- Loucin & Micky
- Julia Banks
- Jayne Mason
- Ian Southward
- Grae Wall
- Olly McDermott
- Ian Southward
- Lori West

All acts have contributed an original song, inspired by St Albans, for the album, which they will perform at the launch party, along with other songs in their repertoire. The songs and acts span a wide variety of musical genres, from classical and jazz to folk and rockabilly punk.

Lori West, local singer/songwriter who is spearheading the campaign, said, "I am so thrilled with the level of talent and the quality of the songs the artists have produced. I knew St Albans was a bedrock of good music, but this project has opened my eyes and ears to just how good the music scene in St Albans is."

The artists participating in the project have jointly agreed to contribute all proceeds of the album sales to local charities. The charities chosen as beneficiaries include:

- St Albans Special Olympics
- Emmaus St Albans
- Earthworks St Albans
- St Albans Bereavement Network
- Crohns & Colitis UK

Lori West concluded, "We've decided to launch the event during the day to make it accessible to those who are too young to go to pubs in the evening or those who have other pressures, like family commitments, that make it tricky to get out in the evening. It is our wish to make this event as inclusive as possible for the whole community and to support the unsung heroes of the project - the charities who work tirelessly to support the people of St Albans."

More information and regular updates can be found by following the St Albans Calling Facebook page, www.facebook.com/stalbanscalling, the Twitter feed @stalbanstelling, by visiting the webpage <http://www.stalbanscalling.org.uk>, or by emailing stalbanstelling@gmail.com.