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ALABASTER BOX SET FOR NATIONAL TOUR

Alabaster Box is just about to embark on its most extensive tour of Australia since relocating to the US three years ago. 20 gigs in just over than a month!

Naarah Seagrott is out front on vocals, with husband Brett on guitars and Josh Brown on keys. And there's two fresh faces - Tim Braisted on bass and Justin Nace on drums.

The tour's hot on the heels of the group scoring remarkable chart success at home over the past year with *Fearlessly Stumble*, *New York* and *We Will Not Be Silent* each going to #1 on TRAA. Alabaster Box is one of a handful of Aussie acts to scored three #1s from the same album on the Australian Christian charts.

The group launches its tour in Sydney on Oct 23.

AB also headlines Strawberry Jam Festival in Western Australia next month.

Strawberry Jam is held every November on school leavers' weekend.

Other acts to perform in Albany on Nov 21 include New Empire, Seven Mi Lord, and Stu Larsen.

PAYNTER TO HEADLINE VICTORIAN RIVERFEST

Michael Paynter headlines Riverfest - the three-day Mildura Gospel Music Festival held in Victoria's north-west this month.

The Melbourne born singer has released two singles *Closer* and *A Victim Song* for Sony.

Paynter sang the popular Noiseworks song *Touch Somebody* at the close of the Black Saturday bush fires memorial service.

Other acts to perform at Riverfest include The Kingdom, Fatis Valor, Fido, Seven Mi Lord, Levi McGrath, and Anna Matthewson.

Riverfest will be held October 23-25.

EASTERFEST UNEARTH'S MAJOR NEW ACT

Article One is heading down under to perform at Easterfest 2010.

The Canadian Christian rock band joins Superchick and a host of yet to be announced acts to perform at Australia's largest Easter event.

Article One is best known for its song *Without You (I'm Not Alright)* which reached #8 on the US CCM charts last year.

Easterfest is a three-day event that takes place in Toowoomba over Easter (2-4 April 2010).

The festival started in 1999 as a joint venture between business, community, government and Church groups to contribute significantly to the social, economic and spiritual fabric of the city, and the Australian community. It attracts more than 30 000 people to the city each year.

More headline acts will be announced over the next few weeks.