



Dig drives in its own direction

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Albany Town Hall
February 20, 8pm
Denmark Civic Centre
February 21
Tickets \$30, available from
Albany Town Hall 9844 2222
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POPULAR 90s jazz band Directions in Groove will entertain Albany for the first time this weekend in a special show from the group that has performed only sporadically over the past 10 years.

For keyboardist and vocalist Scott Saunders, whose musical career began in Perth, it will be a return of sorts some 28 years after he performed here with his first band Rhythm Method in the early 80s.

Dig's acid jazz, acid funk sound topped the Australian charts in the 90s but chances to see them play have been limited over the past few years.

Mr Saunders said dig would be reworking some old material, with a couple of new things thrown in and

the band was really enjoying being back together more regularly.

"We all live pretty disparate lives now and we don't have much time but we're in a position where we can pick and choose interesting things when they come up," he said.

"We found, after all these years, that it was really satisfying and everything was sounding and feeling good."

Mr Saunders, who is composition coordinator at the Australian Institute of Music in Sydney, said the band wanted to record and would gradually work towards producing a new album over the next few years.