

# DEMOCRATS MEDIA

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MAX BAUMANN

SENATE CANDIDATE FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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## MEDIA ALERT: DEMOCRATS LAUNCH NEXT GENERATION

Today the Democrats are launching their next generation of Parliamentarians.

"I am thrilled that the Democrats have chosen two dynamic young candidates in Sandy Biar, 21 (ADELAIDE) and Aleisha Brown, 20 (MAKIN) to join the Democrat campaign," said Max Baumann, Democrats Senate Candidate for SA.

"Young people now have the opportunity to vote for real representation from candidates that understand important youth issues."

"The Democrats have a proud 30 year tradition of taking action for young people and this needs to continue otherwise young South Australians will be left without a voice in our Parliament."

"The Democrats are the only political party to conduct an annual Youth Poll and we are the only voice challenging the Government on income support for students."

"Now more than ever, young people need Democrats in both houses of Parliament because the old parties continue to pay lip service to youth issues."

"Young people are our future and if they are continued to be ignored by the big wigs in Canberra, we are poorer as a nation for it," concluded Mr Baumann.

### YOUTH LAUNCH

**Where: Fad Bar – 20 Waymouth Street, Adelaide**

**When: Today (Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September) at 5:30pm**

**Local Musical Acts include local artists:**

**Laura Hill, Ev Mitchell & Elly Kennedy**

*Background on candidates (next page)*

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## YOUNG CANDIDATES ROLL CALL

### **Max Baumann, 24 (#2 Senate candidate for South Australia.)**

Max is a 24 year old Accounting student, environmentalist, peace activist and youth advocate. He was an integral part of the Adelaide Anti War Campaign in 2002 and 2003 helping to organise South Australia's biggest ever peace rally. He is currently Vice President of the Democrats in SA, Convenor of the SA Young Democrats and stood for the State seat of Fisher in 2006.

### **Sandy Biar, 21 (ADELAIDE)**

Sandy is a 21 year old International Studies graduate from the University of Adelaide. He has recently returned from the Philippines volunteering to build houses with Habitat for Humanity for impoverished communities. He has also been advancing the causes of young people through Tea Tree Gully Youth Action and the Youth Affairs Council of South Australia.

### **Aleisha Brown, 20 (MAKIN)**

Aleisha is a 20 year old Law Student from the University of Adelaide and has recently been elected to the National Union of Students as a delegate. Aleisha is passionate about reviving debate on the treatment of asylum seekers also is interested in protecting the separation of powers to ensure a check on Government power. She is also an advocate for reforming the process by which judges are appointed.