



Muso Mark Wilkinson has only been playing the guitar for five years.

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Mark's late move into music is bloomin' brilliant

Mark Wilkinson was a late bloomer in the music world.

The first time he picked up a guitar was at 22.

"One of my friends was around one lone, lazy Sunday and he taught me a couple of chords, I pretty much fell in love with it," Wilkinson said.

"As soon as I had a few skills and could play some chords, I started writing pretty soon after that and melodies just came into my head. It was a great relief.

"I got swept up in it and it's been my life for five years."

The Sydney-based act and

Melbourne's Bridget a'Beckett are currently on their Acoustic Sunsets Tour, which has been making its way around Australia's east coast.

It follows Wilkinson's national tour with *Australian Idol* winner Damien Leith.

Wilkinson is also halfway

through recording an album, the follow-up to EP *Cellophane Life*.

Acoustic Sunsets Tour, Bar Me, 154 Brougham St, Kings Cross, tomorrow at 9pm.
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— KARINA DUNGER