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## Lights out for Earth Hour at UTAS this weekend

UTAS will turn off its non-essential lights state-wide to take part in Earth Hour 2011 this weekend (**Saturday 26 March 2011**).

To celebrate Earth Hour, the University along with the Tasmanian University Union will be hosting a free public event.

Staff, students and the public are invited to come and join in lighting a candle for Earth Hour, while listening to the music of local artist Dean Stevenson.

UTAS Sustainability Manager Corey Peterson said the University is committed to playing its part in securing a sustainable future.

“We’re looking forward to participating in Earth Hour 2011.

“The University prioritises a reduction in the UTAS carbon footprint and energy use,” Mr Peterson said.

“Our participation in Earth Hour 2011 symbolises a commitment to demonstrate the need for greater global action on climate change.”

For more information about Earth Hour visit: <http://www.earthhour.org.au>

**What:** UTAS Earth Hour event

**When:** Saturday night 26 March 2011, 7:30-9:30pm (lights out from 8.30pm)

**Where:** UTAS Accommodation Services Amphitheatre, top of College Rd, Sandy Bay campus.

**Who:** All are welcome at the event.

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