

# Treasure Hunt



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A PIECE of paper blowing into his front yard was the unlikely inspiration behind Perth artist Matthew Hunt's latest Northbridge exhibition.

Hunt said he was "intrigued and touched" to find a piece of paper in his yard with the words "cause I see the light surrounding you, so don't be afraid" written on it.

The words, and their improbable presence in his front yard, inspired Hunt.

"Months later I am telling the story to a friend who immediately identifies the statement as a lyric," he said.

"To my disappointment I know the song and the band and I know where the piece of paper came from – the karaoke club across the road. But



Artists Matthew Hunt and son Nolan play among the meteors.

Picture: Andrew Ritchie

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things have moved on, the sentence has transformed for me... it has formed links with aspects of my art and life."

Hunt's tribute to memory and coincidence *Cause I See the Light Surrounding you, so Don't be Afraid* will open at the

Turner Galleries on Friday and run until June 30.

Hunt, who regularly incorporates sculpture, installation, video and photography into his work, said his art was an attempt to find his place in the world.