

DARWIN FESTIVAL

DF20 Homegrown

6-16 August 2020

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Welcome to DF20

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Darwin Festival Artistic Director

Wow. 2020!

What a rollercoaster few months it's been: we unproduced a (massive) festival, dreamt up (multiple) other festivals, learned to work from home and to use a bunch of new words (unprecedented, logarithmic, socially distanced). It's hard to believe it's only July! Thankfully, strong choices were made early on and the NT has been spared the worst. So far, we've been lucky. Guided by optimism, what seemed almost impossible in March is now nearly upon us – DF20 Homegrown. And it's going to be glorious!

Though our population is small, the NT is abundant with talent and Darwin Festival prides itself on showcasing that talent every year. When we decided 2020 was going to be all about local, well, a silver lining never shone so bright. In a matter of weeks, we had reimagined the festival (again) and we couldn't be more pleased to present the DF20 Homegrown program, in

which old friends find new ways of making magic – just for us.

Get pumped for fresh musical collaborations, intriguing intimate theatre and dance, raucous comedy and cabaret, stunning backyard concerts and experimental music from morning to midnight – all brought to you by local artists, some in collaboration with interstate peers, and made just for DF20.

It may not be quite the same this year (is anything?), but it's going to be fun, I promise. Please, be patient, follow the gentle reminders (wash those hands) and come celebrate the community spirit that's buoyed us all these last few months. The future might be uncertain, but we have each other and that's a lot.

Love, Felix

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Visit darwinfestival.org.au for all the DF20 Homegrown details you need!

- Register your interest for our online events so you don't miss a thing.
- Buy tickets to 4 or more events and save 10% with a Festival Multipack.
- How to book
 - Online darwinfestival.org.au
 - Phone 8943 4222
 - In person Festival Park Box Office
 - Open 6-16 Aug 5pm-8.15pm Closed Mon 10 Aug

\$3.50 transaction fee applies to Darwin Festival ticket sales

See darwinfestival.org.au for full Ticketing Terms & Conditions

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

Opening Weekend

Buy direct from Indigenous arts centres from all over the country as *Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair* goes digital or immerse yourself in the best of contemporary Indigenous art in the gallery at the *Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards* and *Salon des Refusés*.

Celebrate Indigenous music, from up-and-coming talent to icons of the scene, in a special online version of the *National Indigenous Music Awards*.

Sunset Stage Sessions

The Sunset Stage in Festival Park is the place to catch the hottest homegrown music acts including album launch parties for David Garnham & the Reasons to Live and Kuya James, Arnhem Land superstars Yilila and Ripple Effect Band, a sassy showcase from the sisters on the Settle Down Records label, hip-hop from the NT's star MCs, stunning vocals from Shellie Morris & Guests

and a closing night musical tribute to our town – Streets of Darwin.

Family Fun

Get ready, steady, teddy for everyone's favourite big day out for the littlies, *City of Darwin Teddy Bears' Picnic* – this year in Festival Park. That's also where Aunty June Mills will entertain youngsters with the puppet storytelling event *Witladla* and where the Festival's family fun all starts with our opening event *Housewarming* – supported by Santos. Or get outside and discover something new with Team Fun's audio *DIY Scavenger Hunt*.

Not Close But Personal

Expect the unexpected with these intimate art experiences. Have a secret conversation over a bespoke cocktail at *Love Me (Bar)Tender*, enjoy an unexpected encounter with a 70+ artist in *Sex and Death (and the Internet)*, reconnect distant friends in *I'll Tell You in Person* or find yourself on stage with the performers of a brand-new dance work at DEC. And

remember how to laugh again with top local comedy at
The Rails.

DF20 Homegrown

6–16 August

BOOK NOW! Full program details at darwinfestival.org.au

THURSDAY 6 AUGUST

Sunset Stage at Festival Park Housewarming – supported by Santos

6pm

FREE

Music

Festival Park Welcome to Country

6pm

FREE

Special Events

Avoidable Perils

5pm-8pm

FREE

Special Events

Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand Mandy Garling

7pm

FREE

Music

Brown's Mart Theatre The Final Front Ear

6pm

\$25-\$35

Theatre

Browns' Mart Courtyard

Love Me (Bar)Tender

5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$25

Theatre

I'll Tell You In Person

5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$20

Theatre

Happy Yess

Oyster Boy

6.30pm

\$21-\$25

Theatre

Various Venues

Botanicals

7pm-9pm

FREE

Special Event

FRIDAY 7 AUGUST

Sunset Stage at Festival Park

Yilila + Ripple Effect Band

8pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Club Awi

10pm-late

\$5 at the door

Music

Festival Park

Avoidable Perils

5pm-8pm

FREE

Special Events

Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand

The Changes

6.30pm

FREE

Music

Brown's Mart Theatre

The Final Front Ear

6pm

\$25-\$35

Theatre

Browns' Mart Courtyard

Love Me (Bar)Tender

5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$25

Theatre

I'll Tell You In Person

5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$20

Theatre

Happy Yess

Oyster Boy

6.30pm

\$21-\$25

Theatre

SATURDAY 8 AUGUST

Sunset Stage at Festival Park

Settle Down Sisters

8pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Club Awi

10pm-late

\$5 at the door

Music

Festival Park

Avoidable Perils

5pm-8pm

FREE

Special Events

Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand

Bridey Rose

6.30pm

FREE

Music

Brown's Mart Theatre

The Final Front Ear

6pm

\$25-\$35

Theatre

Browns' Mart Courtyard

Love Me (Bar)Tender

5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$25

Theatre

I'll Tell You In Person

5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$20

Theatre

Happy Yess

Oyster Boy

6.30pm

\$21-\$25

Theatre

Darwin Entertainment Centre

DSO – Metamorphosis I

7pm

\$20-\$45

Music

Deckchair Cinema

National Indigenous Music Awards Screening Party

6pm

FREE

Music

Various Venues

Botanicals

7pm-9pm

FREE

Special Event

SUNDAY 9 AUGUST

Sunset Stage at Festival Park

David Garnham & the Reasons to Live + Choir of Man

8pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Festival Park

City of Darwin Teddy Bears' Picnic

9am-12pm

FREE

Family

Avoidable Perils

5pm-8pm

FREE

Special Events

Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand

Alice Strings

6.30pm

FREE

Music

Browns' Mart Courtyard

Love Me (Bar)Tender

5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$25

Theatre

I'll Tell You In Person

5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$20

Theatre

Happy Yess

Oyster Boy

6.30pm

\$21-\$25

Theatre

Darwin Entertainment Centre

DSO – Metamorphosis II

2pm

\$20-\$45

Music

Various Venues

Botanicals

7pm-9pm

FREE

Special Event

MONDAY 10 AUGUST

Private Homes

Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective

6pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Deckchair Cinema

The Skin of Others

6pm

\$12-\$16

Film

TUESDAY 11 AUGUST

Sunset Stage at Festival Park

SPUN: Heart

7pm

\$26-\$30

Words & Ideas

Festival Park

Avoidable Perils

5pm-8pm

FREE

Special Events

Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand

Alice Cotton

6pm

FREE

Music

Brown's Mart Theatre

The Final Front Ear

6pm

\$25-\$35

Theatre

Browns' Mart Courtyard

I'll Tell You In Person

5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$20

Theatre

Happy Yess

Sex and Death (and the Internet)

4.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly

\$25
Theatre

Darwin Entertainment Centre
North of Centre

6pm & 7.30pm

\$21-\$25

Dance

Private Homes

Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective

6pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Darwin Railway Club

I See Dead People

6.30pm

\$21-\$25

Comedy

WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST

Sunset Stage at Festival Park

Shellie Morris & Guests

8pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Festival Park

Avoidable Perils

5pm-8pm

FREE

Special Events

Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand

Ben Evolent

6.30pm

FREE

Music

Brown's Mart Theatre

The Final Front Ear

6pm

\$25-\$35

Theatre

Browns' Mart Courtyard

I'll Tell You In Person

5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$20

Theatre

Happy Yess

Sex and Death (and the Internet)

4.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly

\$25

Theatre

Darwin Entertainment Centre

North of Centre

6pm & 7.30pm

\$21-\$25

Dance

Private Homes

Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective

6pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Darwin Railway Club

I See Dead People

6.30pm

\$21-\$25

Comedy

THURSDAY 13 AUGUST

Sunset Stage at Festival Park

J-MILLA + Lil Kootsie and Guests

8pm

\$21-\$25

Music

Festival Park

Avoidable Perils

5pm-8pm

FREE

Special Events

Malam (Night): Tutup Mulut

11pm

FREE

Music

Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand

Surprise Guest

6.30pm

FREE

Music

Brown's Mart Theatre

The Final Front Ear

6pm

\$25-\$35

Theatre

Browns' Mart Courtyard

Love Me (Bar)Tender

5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$25

Theatre

I'll Tell You In Person

5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$20

Theatre

Happy Yess

Sex and Death (and the Internet)

4.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly

\$25

Theatre

Darwin Entertainment Centre

North of Centre

6pm & 7.30pm

\$21-\$25

Dance

Private Homes

Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective

6pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Darwin Railway Club

Amy Hetherington

6.30pm

\$21-\$25

Comedy

Various Venues

Botanicals

7pm-9pm

FREE

Special Events

FRIDAY 14 AUGUST

Sunset Stage at Festival Park Kuya James' Pinoy Street Party

8pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Club Awi

10pm-late

\$5 at the door

Music

Festival Park Avoidable Perils

5pm-8pm

FREE

Special Events

Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand World Mix Band

6.30pm

FREE

Music

Brown's Mart Theatre The Final Front Ear

6pm

\$25-\$35

Theatre

Browns' Mart Courtyard Love Me (Bar)Tender

5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$25

Theatre

I'll Tell You In Person

5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$20

Theatre

Happy Yess

Sex and Death (and the Internet)

4.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly

\$25

Theatre

Private Homes

Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective

6pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Darwin Railway Club

Amy Hetherington

6.30pm

\$21-\$25

Comedy

SATURDAY 15 AUGUST

Sunset Stage at Festival Park

Drag Divas: Essential Werk

8pm

\$26-\$30

Cabaret

Club Awi

10pm-late

\$5 at the door

Music

Festival Park

Witladla

9.30am & 11am

\$10

Family

Avoidable Perils

5pm-8pm

FREE

Special Events

Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand

Epic Phannys

6.30pm

FREE

Music

Brown's Mart Theatre

The Final Front Ear

1.30pm & 6pm

\$25-\$35

Theatre

Browns' Mart Courtyard

Love Me (Bar)Tender

5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$25

Theatre

I'll Tell You In Person

5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$20

Theatre

Happy Yess

Sex and Death (and the Internet)

1.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly

\$25

Theatre

Darwin Entertainment Centre

Charlie Chaplin Live Cinema

7pm

\$30

Film

Various Venues

Botanicals

7pm-9pm

FREE

Special Events

SUNDAY 16 AUGUST

Sunset Stage at Festival Park Streets of Darwin

8pm

\$26-\$30

Music

Festival Park

Witladla

9.30am & 11am

\$10

Family

Avoidable Perils

5pm-8pm

FREE

Special Events

Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand

Chrystal Robins

6.30pm

FREE

Music

Brown's Mart Theatre

Whistling Kite New Music

5pm & 7pm

\$21-\$25

Theatre

Browns' Mart Courtyard

Love Me (Bar)Tender

5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$25

Theatre

I'll Tell You In Person

5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins

\$20

Theatre

Happy Yess

Sex and Death (and the Internet)

1.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly

\$25

Theatre

Various Venues

Botanicals

7pm-9pm

FREE

Special Events

FREE ONLINE EVENTS

Experience

Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair

6-14 Aug

Watch

National Indigenous Fashion Awards

Wed 5 Aug 7.30pm

National Indigenous Music Awards

Sat 8 Aug 6.30pm

Listen

Morning Music with Eric Avery

Thu 6 – Sun 16 Aug 7am

VISUAL ARTS

Visit

Telstra NATSIAA

From Sat 8 Aug

MAGNT

Salon des Refusés

Thu 6 Aug – Sat 26 Sep

CDU Art Gallery

Visit darwinfestival.org.au for the DF20 Visual Arts Program

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FESTIVAL PARK

STILL YOUR FESTIVAL HUB – JUST DONE DIFFERENTLY

Cnr Smith St & Harry Chan Ave
Open Thu 6 - Sun 16 Aug from 5pm
Closed Mon 10 Aug

PLAN AHEAD. Buy a ticket to a Sunset Stage show to guarantee entry to the Park for that night.

General admission to Festival Park limited by capacity in 2020

BYO CUSHION OR PICNIC RUG and kick back with friends under the stars.

INDULGE IN TASTY TREATS from Bamboo Lounge, Cucina Sotto Le Stelle, Damasquino Café, Hanuman and Trampoline Gelato.

ENJOY FREE MUSIC on the Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand.

Wash your hands, keep your distance, stay home if you're sick and HAVE FUN!

Visit darwinfestival.org.au for the latest COVID-19 dos and don'ts.