

**DARWIN**  
FESTIVAL

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**HOMEGROWN**

**6-16  
AUGUST  
2020**

**YOUR  
2020  
DARWIN  
FESTIVAL  
GUIDE**



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# WELCOME TO DF20!



**FELIX PREVAL**  
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](https://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**.



## 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 Auntie 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**.



## 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**.



## 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.

VENUE	THU 6	FRI 7	SAT 8	SUN 9	MON 10	TUE 11	WED 12	THU 13	FRI 14	SAT 15	SUN 16	
SUNSET STAGE AT FESTIVAL PARK	MUSIC Housewarming Supported by Santos 6pm   FREE	MUSIC Yilila + Ripple Effect Band 8pm   \$26-\$30	MUSIC Settle Down Sisters 8pm   \$26-\$30	MUSIC David Garnham & the Reasons to Live + Choir of Man 8pm   \$26-\$30	FESTIVAL PARK CLOSED	WORDS & IDEAS SPUN: Heart 7pm   \$26-\$30	MUSIC Shellie Morris & Guests 8pm   \$26-\$30	MUSIC Birdz + J-Milla and Lil Kootsie 8pm   \$21-\$25	MUSIC Kuya James' Pinoy Street Party 8pm   \$26-\$30	CABARET Drag Divas: Essential Werk 8pm   \$26-\$30	MUSIC Streets of Darwin 8pm   \$26-\$30	
		MUSIC Club Awi 10pm-late	MUSIC Club Awi 10pm-late						MUSIC Club Awi 10pm-late	MUSIC Club Awi 10pm-late		
FESTIVAL PARK	SPECIAL EVENTS Welcome to Country 6pm   FREE				FESTIVAL PARK CLOSED			MUSIC Malam (Night): Tutup Mulut 11pm   FREE		FAMILY Witladla 9.30am & 11am \$10	FAMILY Witladla 9.30am & 11am \$10	
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RIMFIRE ENERGY BAMBOO BANDSTAND	MUSIC Mandy Garling 7pm   FREE	MUSIC The Changes 6.30pm   FREE	MUSIC Bridey Rose 6.30pm   FREE	MUSIC Alice Strings 6.30pm   FREE		MUSIC Alice Cotton 6pm   FREE	MUSIC Ben Evolent 6.30pm   FREE	MUSIC Surprise Guest 6.30pm   FREE	MUSIC World Mix Band 6.30pm   FREE	MUSIC Epic Phannys 6.30pm   FREE	MUSIC Crystal Robins 6.30pm   FREE	
BROWN'S MART THEATRE	THEATRE The Final Front Ear 6pm   \$25-\$35	THEATRE The Final Front Ear 6pm   \$25-\$35	THEATRE The Final Front Ear 6pm   \$25-\$35				THEATRE The Final Front Ear 6pm   \$25-\$35	THEATRE The Final Front Ear 6pm   \$25-\$35	THEATRE The Final Front Ear 6pm   \$25-\$35	THEATRE The Final Front Ear 6pm   \$25-\$35	THEATRE The Final Front Ear 6pm   \$25-\$35	MUSIC Whistling Kite New Music 5pm & 7pm   \$21-\$25
BROWN'S MART COURTYARD	THEATRE Love Me (Bar)Tender 5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins   \$25	THEATRE Love Me (Bar)Tender 5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins   \$25	THEATRE Love Me (Bar)Tender 5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins   \$25	THEATRE Love Me (Bar)Tender 5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins   \$25					THEATRE Love Me (Bar)Tender 5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins   \$25	THEATRE Love Me (Bar)Tender 5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins   \$25	THEATRE Love Me (Bar)Tender 5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins   \$25	THEATRE Love Me (Bar)Tender 5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins   \$25
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DARWIN ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE			MUSIC  DSO – Metamorphosis I 7pm   \$20-\$45	MUSIC  DSO – Metamorphosis II 2pm   \$20-\$45		DANCE  North of Centre 6pm & 7.30pm \$21-\$25	DANCE  North of Centre 6pm & 7.30pm \$21-\$25	DANCE  North of Centre 6pm & 7.30pm \$21-\$25		FILM  Charlie Chaplin Live Cinema 7pm   \$30	
PRIVATE HOMES						MUSIC  Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective 6pm   \$26-\$30	MUSIC  Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective 6pm   \$26-\$30	MUSIC  Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective 6pm   \$26-\$30	MUSIC  Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective 6pm   \$26-\$30	MUSIC  Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective 6pm   \$26-\$30	
DARWIN RAILWAY CLUB								COMEDY  I See Dead People 6.30pm   \$21-\$25	COMEDY  I See Dead People 6.30pm   \$21-\$25	COMEDY  Amy Hetherington 6.30pm   \$21-\$25	COMEDY  Amy Hetherington 6.30pm   \$21-\$25
DECKCHAIR CINEMA			MUSIC  National Indigenous Music Awards Screening Party 6pm		FILM  The Skin of Others 6pm   \$12-\$16						
VARIOUS VENUES	SPECIAL EVENTS  Botanicals 7pm-9pm   FREE		SPECIAL EVENTS  Botanicals 7pm-9pm   FREE	SPECIAL EVENTS  Botanicals 7pm-9pm   FREE					SPECIAL EVENTS  Botanicals 7pm-9pm   FREE		SPECIAL EVENTS  Botanicals 7pm-9pm   FREE

**FREE**

**ONLINE EVENTS**

**EXPERIENCE**

Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair  
Thu 6-Fri 14 Aug

**WATCH**

National Indigenous  
Fashion Awards  
Wed 5 Aug 7.30pm

National Indigenous  
Music Awards  
Sat 8 Aug

**LISTEN**

Morning Music by Eric Avery  
Thu 6-Sun 16 Aug 7am

**VISUAL ARTS**

**VISIT**

Telstra NATSIAAs  
From Sat 8 Aug 2020  
MAGNT

Salon des Refusés  
Wed 5 Aug -Sat 26 Sep  
CDU Art Gallery

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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!**

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