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**And much more – all for just \$90**

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#HOTAUGUSTNIGHTS

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# LET'S GET STARTED

Darwin Festival takes place on the land of the Larrakia people. We wish to pay our respects to the traditional owners of this Country and to their ancestors. As the Festival welcomes contemporary artists and art from around Australia, we also celebrate the continuing culture of the Larrakia.



**MICHAEL GUNNER**  
Chief Minister of the Northern Territory

Darwin Festival is an icon on the Territory's events calendar. It has a loyal local following, as evidenced by the success of its homegrown edition in 2020.

It also attracts fans from around the country keen to experience the wide variety of shows on offer and our incredible August weather. We are pleased to welcome back interstate Festival lovers and artists for a Dry Season event to remember.

Thank you to the Festival board and staff for delivering a program that showcases the best of the Territory and our amazing arts, tourism and hospitality industries. On behalf of all Territorians, we welcome you.



**KON VATSKALIS**  
Lord Mayor of Darwin

Every year Darwin Festival takes over the city, transforming it into a tropical winter wonderland. Visitors and locals can take part in a magical celebration of culture, music, art and food in the Festival hub, Festival Park, theatres, galleries and some surprise venues all around the city.

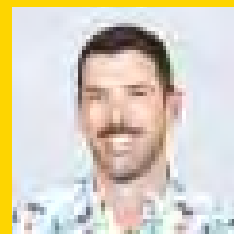
City of Darwin is pleased to continue supporting Darwin Festival as the major local government partner of this magnificent event that activates and enlivens our city. There really is something for everyone, and I encourage you to dive in and enjoy!



**IAN KEW**  
Darwin Festival Chair

Darwin Festival is 18 days of great art and great times but an event like this doesn't just happen. It takes dedication from our artists, hard work from our amazing team, commitment from our audiences – local and from around the country – and generous financial support from our many Friends, donors, corporate sponsors and partners, especially the City of Darwin and Northern Territory Government.

It's thanks to all of them that we can enjoy these Hot August Nights together.



**FELIX PREVAL**  
Darwin Festival Artistic Director

2021: it's big, it's bold and above all it's an invitation to come out and have fun! Some of the incredible shows on offer have been years in the making, while others were forged directly through the trials of 2020. Artists have weathered some of the hardest fallout this past year, yet their contribution to our lives has proven more important than ever.

We are beyond excited to invite the very best Australian artists to perform this year (and a couple of Kiwis who made the bubble). They share the Festival spotlight with an inspiring line up of Northern Territory talent, with locals representing in every genre of the program – from theatre, dance and cabaret, to comedy, music and visual arts.

Balmy nights under festoon lights and thrumming dancefloors aside (they're all there of course!), the 18 Hot August Nights of this year's Festival open the stage to big ideas and unique perspectives. First up, we make space for the next generation, turning our ears to the hopes and dreams of young people to find new ways of imagining our shared future.

First Nations artists from across the country offer fresh perspectives on contemporary life with trademark humour and heart. Arnhem Land artists take

centre stage, showcasing Yol u culture and a dazzling array of talent through a series of fresh artistic projects and collaborations.

We also hear the voices of newer arrivals, with refugees and asylum seekers sharing stories of their lived experiences; and artists collectively unpacking the mounting tragedy that decades of Australian immigration policies have wrought.

Every hard-hitting moment in the program is paired with another to sooth the soul. Take the time; come out as often as you can; let us connect you with your community, and the world, through shared experiences – whether it's a communal dinner with new friends in Festival Park, or a tissue kindly offered in the dark of the theatre. We're lucky to be here, let's make the most of it.

See you at Club Awi!



**JAMES GOUGH**  
Darwin Festival CEO

Darwin Festival shines brightly on the national events calendar and is the centre piece of what makes August in Darwin the best time of year.

We love bringing people together to celebrate culture and the arts, and we work year-round to deliver the Dry Season good times while promoting Darwin to the nation and beyond.

That means finding the best acts from around the country (and the world when we can) and also nurturing, supporting and showcasing our vibrant local industry.

As the flagship major cultural and tourism event in the Northern Territory, we want to leave a lasting memory for those who visit and live in our wonderful city, but we're also mindful of leaving minimal impact on the environment. That's why we aim to be the leader in sustainability practice in the NT events landscape, and this year we're proud to kick another goal and be a 100% carbon neutral festival.

As we expand and thrive into the future, we're also trying to do our part to ensure there's always going to be a planet to party on.

# SANTOS OPENING NIGHT CONCERT BUNGUL

GURRUMUL'S MOTHER'S BUNGUL,  
GURRUMUL'S GRANDMOTHER'S  
BUNGUL, GURRUMUL'S MANIKAY

With Darwin Symphony Orchestra

## Darwin Festival kicks off with a huge, free opening night extravaganza

This year's *Santos Opening Night Concert* sees The Amphitheatre transformed into a meeting place of dance, song and ritual. Created on country in North East Arnhem Land with the Yunupi u family, *Bungul* is a ceremonial celebration of Gurrumul's seminal final album that brings together western music and his family's musical traditions.

Experience the traditional songs, dances and paintings that inspired *Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow)* in a live performance by Yol u dancers, songmen and the Darwin Symphony Orchestra.

Pack a picnic, bring the family and make a night of it with food and drinks from our onsite vendors. Reserve your place now for what promises to be a truly transformative opening night event.

### SPECIAL EVENT Northern Territory

📍 Darwin Amphitheatre



Thu 5 Aug 7.30pm  
Gates open 5.30pm

Duration 1hr 30mins

FREE

**NOTE** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander audiences are warned that this performance contains the image and voice of a deceased person.

Capacity is limited, and entry cannot be guaranteed. Arrive early to avoid missing the performance. No BYO alcohol. Unsealed bottles not permitted.

This project was initiated by the Yunupingu family and Skinnyfish Music  
Produced by Perth Festival and Skinnyfish Music

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**Santos**



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# TELSTRA NATIONAL ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ART AWARDS

Australia's longest running and most prestigious Indigenous art awards showcase a wide variety of contemporary two and three dimensional artworks from across the country. Be part of the opening night celebrations and awards ceremony at MAGNT on Friday 6 August and immerse yourself in stunning works that capture stories of country from the coast and deserts, to the bush and cities.

## VISUAL ARTS

📍 Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory



Opening Night & Awards Presentation

Fri 6 Aug 6pm

Exhibition Dates

Sat 7 Aug 2021 – Sun 6 Feb 2022

Mon-Sun 10am-4pm

FREE

Presented by the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory and NATSIAA Principal Partner Telstra

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Photo: Damian Kelly

# NATIONAL INDIGENOUS FASHION AWARDS + COUNTRY TO COUTURE

Celebrate the innovation of Australian First Nations fashion and textiles with two special events – the *National Indigenous Fashion Awards (NIFA)* with its vibrant award ceremony on Tuesday 3 August and the popular *Country to Couture* on Wednesday 4 August. This high-energy runway show presents innovative collections from Indigenous designers and artists across Australia, as well as unique collaborations between Indigenous communities and well-known Australian labels.

## SPECIAL EVENT

📍 Darwin Convention Centre



National Indigenous Fashion Awards

Tue 3 Aug 6.30pm  
Doors open 6pm  
FREE Places limited, bookings required.

Country to Couture

Wed 4 Aug 8.30pm  
VIP \$85  
Standard \$55  
Friends \$46.75

\$4 transaction fee applies

Presented by Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair Foundation



Photo: The Warlu Collection on catwalk, Warlukurlangu Aboriginal Corporation and North, *Country to Couture* 2020, George F Photography

# 15TH DARWIN ABORIGINAL ART FAIR

Experience the rich diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art, design and culture

After last year's digital fair experience it is exciting to be welcoming people back to *Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair* in person. On the Festival's opening weekend you're invited to see artwork from across Australia's remote desert and coastal regions and from rural and urban communities.

Meet the artists and purchase directly from more than 70 Indigenous-owned Art Centres, with 100% of all sales made going directly back to support the artists and their communities. Immerse yourself in the vibrant public program of traditional dance, workshops, artists talks, food, film and fashion events and engage with the contemporary creations of the oldest continuous living culture in the world.

## VISUAL ARTS

📍 Darwin Convention Centre



Fri 6 Aug 10am-4pm  
Sat 7 Aug 10am-5pm  
Sun 8 Aug 10am-4pm

FREE

Presented by Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair Foundation



Mimi Aboriginal Art & Craft at 2019 Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair  
Photo: Dylan Buckee

# NATIONAL INDIGENOUS MUSIC AWARDS

Australia's biggest First Nations  
gala music gathering is back

After a 2020 event hosted online, the *National Indigenous Music Awards (NIMAs)* will once again be Australia's most celebrated Indigenous music event – live! And with a line-up boasting the likes of Baker Boy, Miiesha, Jessica Mauboy, Electric Fields, King Stingray, Dallas Woods and Kee'ahn, Alice Skye and more, the *NIMAs* will be a true window into the future of Australian music.

Gather under the stars with our host Steven Oliver, and discover the hottest new talent while celebrating Indigenous music past, present and emerging.

## MUSIC

📍 Darwin Amphitheatre

Sat 7 Aug 7pm  
Gates open 6pm

Duration 4hrs

Full \$40

Concession \$33

Friends \$34

Children under 12 FREE

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** This is an alcohol-free event. Glass and unsealed bottles not permitted.

Presented by Music NT



Photo: Shauna Upton

# FLIGHT FACILITIES

## CONFIDENCE MAN + SYCCO

Flight Facilities bring the party of  
the year to Darwin Amphitheatre



Get set to fly high with the crew who have been creating timeless, genre-defying classics drenched in a sense of nostalgia for more than a decade. From their first release 'Crave You' that became the unofficial soundtrack to summer parties, to their latest single 'Lights Up' that immerses you in a feeling of West-Coast Californian cool, these electronic aviators have racked up over half a billion streams globally. Now they're bringing their eccentric approach and electrifying new live show to the Top End.

Support comes from Confidence Man, a portable party that's custom designed to make you dance and lose your cool. Brisbane's Sycco kicks off the night with her colourful, vibrant blend of pop, neo-soul and psychedelia.

## MUSIC

📍 Darwin Amphitheatre

Fri 13 Aug 7pm  
Gates open 5.30pm

Duration 3hrs 30mins

Full \$79

Concession \$75

Friends \$67.15

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** No BYO alcohol. Unsealed bottles not permitted. Food stalls and bar on site.



# GRAVITY & OTHER MYTHS

## THE PULSE

**Strap yourself in for an exhilarating spectacle of jaw-dropping acrobatics and spine-tingling vocals**

Gravity & Other Myths, the home-grown circus that conquered the world, brings together all three of its core ensembles plus a choir of 22 voices for a show packed to the brim with visceral, poetic and heart-stopping feats of strength and agility.

*The Pulse* is circus unlike anything Darwin has ever seen. Watch as a mountain of bodies crumbles into an ocean of voices, and towering human structures move with precision through an ever-changing web of ropes and elastic. Geoff Cobham's sentient lighting design, combined with Darcy Grant's inspired crowd management and Ekrem Eli Phoenix's driving score, creates an intricate, organic synchronicity of human movement and sound – all to the beat of your own pounding pulse!

Photo: Darcy Grant

*'The skill, artistry and daring on display is breathtaking.'*

LIMELIGHT MAGAZINE

### CIRCUS

📍 The Playhouse,  
Darwin Entertainment Centre



Tue 17 – Fri 20 Aug 7.30pm

Duration 1hr 10mins

Full \$69

Concession \$65

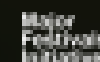
Friends \$58.65

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Contains haze effects. Suitable for ages 8+. Latecomers not admitted.

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# TIFFANY SINGH FLY ME UP TO WHERE YOU ARE

Wander under a canopy of 3,000 colourful flags capturing the hopes and dreams of Darwin youth

Devised by New Zealand artist Tiffany Singh, *Fly Me Up To Where You Are* is a special hands-on project designed to inspire and empower young people. In 2020 students across Darwin created these unique dream flags with designs covering everything from global issues like the COVID-19 pandemic, Black Lives Matter and the environment to family, home or their favourite animals and music. A special flag has also been designed by Larrakia artist T'ara Cole which reflects on the original people of this land.

The installation includes a documentary from local filmmaker Thea Schroeder that goes behind the scenes of this fascinating project, exploring the making of the flags, what matters to the young people of the Northern Territory and how they might make the world a better place.

**SPECIAL EVENT**  
Northern Territory/New Zealand

📍 Darwin Waterfront



Thu 5 – Sun 22 Aug 10am-7pm

FREE

**NOTE** Suitable for assisted wheelchair access.

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## CORRUGATED IRON YOUTH ARTS I'VE BEEN MEANING TO ASK YOU

Created by The Good Room

They asked. You answered.  
The next generation is about to  
drop some truths... and the mic

Photo: Stephen Henry

Why do you have to go to work? How come adults drink to have fun? What was life like before the internet?

Step inside a theatre-turned-playground-turned-battleground transformed by Generation Up Next for a riotous theatrical experience full of questions asked by young people and answered by adults. In this critically acclaimed one-hour tell-all, adults take a back seat, as a powerful panel of nine to 13-year-olds from Darwin's own Corrugated Iron Youth Arts tackle the answers they get to the questions they've always wanted to ask.

**THEATRE // FAMILY** Northern Territory/Australia

📍 Studio Theatre, Darwin Entertainment Centre

<b>Fri 6 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Sat 7 Aug</b>	2pm & 7pm
<b>Sun 8 Aug</b>	4pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$42
<b>Concession</b>	\$38
<b>Under 18</b>	\$20
<b>Friends</b>	\$35.70

\$4 transaction fee applies

**POST-SHOW TALK** Following the 2pm performance on Sat 7

**NOTE** Contains smoke and haze effects and strobe lighting. Suitable for ages 9+.

Presented by Darwin Festival and Critical Stages Touring

# BRON BATTEN WATERLOO

A leftie Australian performance artist dates a high-ranking, conservative UK military official. What could possibly go wrong? Join award-winning artist Bron Batten for her political and provocative live art piece *Waterloo* and you'll find out!

Bron wrestles with love and violence in an explosive interrogation of her ill-fated affair. An unmissable morality tale, *Waterloo* asks: what happens when you cross enemy lines?

## THEATRE

📍 Brown's Mart Theatre	
Fri 20 & Sat 21 Aug	6pm
Sun 22 Aug	1pm & 6pm
Duration	1hr 5mins
Full	\$36
Concession	\$32
Friends	\$30.60

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Contains smoke effects and use of weapons.

Photo: Andrew Wuttke



# JOEL BRAY DADDY

Joel Bray has daddy issues. And his insatiable cravings for father figures always leave him wanting more. From the sugar-coated idyll of childhood reminiscence to the glazed excesses of queer adulthood, via an exploration of Aboriginal identity, Joel's story proves that a sweet tooth is a dangerous thing. Hilarious, provocative and heartfelt, *Daddy* tickles the nerve endings of desire while prodding the cavities left by colonisation, all with Joel's trademark confection of conversation, dance and all-you-can-eat audience participation.

## THEATRE

📍 Brown's Mart Theatre	
Fri 6 & Sun 8 Aug	5.45pm
Sat 7 Aug	1pm & 5.45pm
Duration	1hr 15mins
Full	\$36
Concession	\$32
Friends	\$30.60

\$4 transaction fee applies

**POST-SHOW TALK** Following the 1pm performance on Sat 7

**NOTE** Contains nudity, explicit sexual content, haze and strobe lighting, low lighting and copious amounts of powdered sugar. Suitable for ages 18+. Audiences are invited to move around during the show with limited seating available.

Photo: James Henry



# SAMARA HERSCH & LARA THOMS WE ALL KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING

'Passionate  
and political,  
affecting and  
entertaining.'

SYDNEY  
MORNING  
HERALD

## Welcome to a tropical island full of palm trees, phosphate mines, coconut water and kids

Set against a backdrop of handmade costumes and colonialism, this is an absurd, true story about Leonardo da Vinci, seagull shit, the Pacific and children in detention.

Part school musical, part history lesson and part political probe, *We All Know What's Happening* sees people too young to vote confront power, complacency, children's rights and the future. Compelling and unsettling yet thoroughly entertaining, this is a show for all ages and one that will have everyone talking.

## THEATRE

📍 Studio Theatre, Darwin Entertainment Centre	
Fri 13 Aug	6.30pm
Sat 14 Aug	2.30pm & 6.30pm
Sun 15 Aug	2.30pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$42
Concession	\$38
Under 18	\$20
Friends	\$35.70

\$4 transaction fee applies

**POST-SHOW TALK** Following the performance on Sun 15

Photo: Bryony Jackson





JEFFREY JAY FOWLER  
& SARAH REUBEN  
**THE  
HYPOTHETICALS**

Meet two best friends in their mid-30s – a single woman and a gay man. They are deciding whether to have a baby. Together. In this world. *The Hypotheticals* is a cheeky exploration of expectation and disappointment, family, whether or not to bring a child into a burning world, and how to keep perfect skin in your 30s.

Northern Territory/Australia  
**THEATRE** WORLD PREMIERE

📍 Happy Yess	
<b>Tue 10 – Fri 13 Aug</b>	5.45pm
<b>Sat 14 &amp; Sun 15 Aug</b>	1pm & 5.45pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr 15mins
<b>Full</b>	\$32
<b>Concession</b>	\$28
<b>Friends</b>	\$27.20

\$4 transaction fee applies

**POST-SHOW TALK** Following the performance on Thu 12

**Presented by Brown's Mart and Darwin Festival in association with The Last Great Hunt**

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Photo: Kacie Austin

ILBIJERRI THEATRE COMPANY  
**HEART IS A  
WASTELAND**

Meet Raye, a struggling country music star in the making. She's been playing pubs along Australia's vast desert highways, flogging demo CDs in the hope of returning home to her son, when she meets Dan, another broken wanderer. A love affair unfurls over their four-day drive from Darwin to Alice Springs in this intimate portrait of two achingly beautiful characters that cuts to the country's heart. *Heart is a Wasteland* combines First Peoples' storytelling with live music, in a whisky-fuelled battle of egos.

**THEATRE**

📍 Brown's Mart Theatre	
<b>Wed 11 – Fri 13 Aug</b>	5.45pm
<b>Sat 14 Aug</b>	1pm & 5.45pm
<b>Sun 15 Aug</b>	1pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr 15mins
<b>Full</b>	\$36
<b>Concession</b>	\$32
<b>Friends</b>	\$30.60

\$4 transaction fee applies

**POST-SHOW TALK** Following the 1pm performance on Sat 14



Photo: Aaron Walker

**DAVID FINNIGAN**  
**YOU'RE SAFE TIL 2024:  
DEEP HISTORY**

Armed with a projector, family photos and a pile of sand, playwright David Finnigan relates how 75 hours in modern Australia came to collide with an epic sweep of history during this lively lecture. Interweaving 75,000 years of humanity with the incredibly personal account of his best friend's escape from the 2019 Canberra bushfires, David calls on scientific research, phone footage and storytelling to illuminate unprecedented global change and how we've arrived here. Shot through with humour, pop culture and a rich electronic soundtrack, *You're Safe Til 2024* speaks of resilience and hope.

**THEATRE**

📍 Happy Yess

<b>Tue 17 – Thu 19 Aug</b>	5.45pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr 10mins
<b>Full</b>	\$32
<b>Concession</b>	\$28
<b>Friends</b>	\$27.20

\$4 transaction fee applies

Photo: Sarah Walker

**COUNTERPILOT**  
**TRUTHMACHINE**

Would you take a lie detector test with a room full of strangers? After delighting competitive Festival Park audiences last year with *Avoidable Perils*, techno-trouble makers, Counterpilot, are back with a new social experiment. *Truthmachine* seeks out truth in a world of fake news and alternative facts using real biometric sensors and live voting systems. Blurring the line between cutting edge technology and live performance, this is an intimate, playful and intriguing theatre experience for adventurous audiences.

**SPECIAL EVENT**

📍 Supreme Court of the Northern Territory	
<b>Thu 12 &amp; Fri 13 Aug</b>	Sessions from 5pm-8.30pm
<b>Sat 14 &amp; Sun 15 Aug</b>	Sessions from 4pm-9pm
<b>Duration</b>	30mins
<b>All Tickets</b>	\$20

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Please arrive 15mins early to clear security. Latecomers not admitted. Contains strobe lighting. One volunteer from each performance will be hooked up to working biometric sensors.

Photo: Kate O'Sullivan




# SPUN: AFTER DARK

When the sun goes down and the curlews start to cry, Darwin's night owls emerge. From mosquito-infested mudflats, pulsating nightclubs, haunted parks and abandoned highways comes a line-up of storytellers who aren't afraid of the dark... or are they?

For their 20th live storytelling event, the SPUN team have gone into the shadows to find you an extra special selection of untold stories. Grab a torch and step into a landscape of secrets and stories, after dark.

**WORDS & IDEAS** Northern Territory

📍 <b>INPEX Sunset Stage</b> 	
<b>Tue 10 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr 50mins with interval
<b>Full</b>	\$38
<b>Concession</b>	\$34
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

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Photo: Helen Orr

# ARTISTS IN CONVERSATION WITH CDU

Keen to hear more about the show you've just seen? Or the people who created it? Thanks to Charles Darwin University you can, in our Artists in Conversation series. Stick around after these performances for an in-depth discussion with the creators.

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## WORDS & IDEAS

<b>I've Been Meaning to Ask You</b>	Sat 7 Aug 2pm (p13)
<b>The Hypotheticals</b>	Thu 12 Aug 5.45pm (p16)
<b>Heart is a Wasteland</b>	Sat 14 Aug 1pm (p16)
<b>Jurrungu Ngan-ga</b>	Sat 14 Aug 5pm (p19)
<b>We All Know What's Happening</b>	Sun 15 Aug 2.30pm (p15)
<b>Value for Money</b>	Wed 18 Aug 11am (p20)

# MARRUGEKU JURRUNGU NGAN-GA [STRAIGHT TALK]

Marrugeku confronts Australia's shameful fixation with incarceration in a powerful and provocative new dance work

Challenging, joyful and deeply affecting, *Jurrungu Ngan-ga* – literally 'Straight Talk', tears down walls and builds bridges in a frank conversation with the Australian psyche. Inspired by perspectives on incarceration, this mesmerising multimedia production juxtaposes the disgraceful disproportion of Indigenous Australians in custody with testimony from inside Australia's immigration detention centres.

Through movement, spoken word, installation and a powerful musical soundscape, the multi-talented cast draw on their intersecting yet distinct cultural and community-informed experiences (Indigenous, immigrant, people seeking asylum, transgender and settler) to ask: who really is in prison here?

'Mind-blowing intercultural and interdisciplinary performance!'

ARTSHUB

## DANCE WORLD PREMIERE

📍 <b>The Playhouse, Darwin Entertainment Centre</b> 	
<b>Fri 13 Aug</b>	8pm
<b>Sat 14 Aug</b>	5pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr 25mins
<b>Full</b>	\$49
<b>Concession</b>	\$45
<b>Friends</b>	\$41.65

\$4 transaction fee applies

**POST-SHOW TALK** Following the performance on Sat 14

**NOTE** Suitable for ages 16+.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander audiences are warned that this performance contains names of deceased persons.

**Presented by Darwin Festival and Darwin Entertainment Centre**

Photo: Abby Murray



## GUTS DANCE VALUE FOR MONEY

How do we value human life? How do relationships, proximity and community change our perception of a life's worth? *Value For Money* sees an exceptional cast of renowned Australian performers and creatives explore their stories and experiences in a provocative new physical work. GUTS Dance // Central Australia and award-winning dancers and emerging choreographers Sara Black and Jasmin Sheppard, push us to interrogate the unquestionable traits that bind us as a human race.

**DANCE** Northern Territory **WORLD PREMIERE**

📍 **Brown's Mart Theatre** 50

<b>Tue 17 &amp; Thu 19 Aug</b>	6pm
<b>Wed 18 Aug</b>	11am & 6pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$36
<b>Concession</b>	\$32
<b>Friends</b>	\$30.60

\$4 transaction fee applies

**POST-SHOW TALK** Following the 11am performance on Wed 18

## TRACKS DANCE COMPANY SEASONS OF SKIN AND BARK

Rings of a tree, the human lifespan and the rolling cycle of seasons come together in a powerful original work by nationally renowned Tracks Dance Company. Set at the foot of a Rain Tree in the lush George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens, *Seasons of Skin and Bark* is a spellbinding response to our natural tropical environment. Exploring the emerging science of plant life intelligence, this inspiring dance work dives below the surface of skin and bark to touch on connections unseen but felt.

**DANCE** Northern Territory **WORLD PREMIERE**

📍 **George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens** 50

<b>Sun 8 &amp; Mon 9 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Wed 11 &amp; Thu 12 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Sat 14 – Mon 16 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$36
<b>Concession</b>	\$26
<b>Friends</b>	\$30.60
<b>Preview (Sun 8 Aug)</b>	\$20

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Suitable for assisted wheelchair access.

**Presented by Tracks Dance Company**  
**in association with Darwin Festival**



Photo: Mark Marcellis

'A triumph of collaboration  
and passion.'

ARTSHUB

## SYDNEY DANCE COMPANY IMPERMANENCE

**Experience the power of  
dance and music performed live  
together when Sydney Dance  
Company returns to Darwin**

Rafael Bonachela's newest creation is a visceral and thrilling exploration of the place where beauty and devastation meet. Set to a powerful score by contemporary composer and founder of rock band The National, Bryce Dessner, *Impermanence* packs an emotional punch. Contemporary movement is performed by the 17 members of Sydney Dance Company with impressive athleticism and fierce grace. The dancers are joined by the Australian String Quartet live onstage, and the result is moving and powerful, at-once capturing transience and fragility as well as strength and passion.

Photo: Pedro Grieg

**DANCE**

📍 **The Playhouse,  
Darwin Entertainment Centre** 50

<b>Tue 10 Aug</b>	7.30pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr 5mins
<b>Full</b>	\$59
<b>Concession</b>	\$54
<b>Under 18</b>	\$20
<b>Friends</b>	\$50.15

\$4 transaction fee applies

**Presented by Darwin Entertainment Centre in association  
with Darwin Festival**



# THE LEGEND OF QUEEN KONG

The artist behind Yana Alana returns to Darwin with a comic, sci-fi rock show of meteoric proportions

*'An existential wonderland.'*  
TIME OUT

Backed by queer and gender-diverse band the HOMOsapiens, this colossal rock odyssey is bursting with hilarious pop culture references, mind-blowing visual projections and unforgettable original music.

Featuring Deaf performer Asphyxia on screen and Auslan interpreter Kirri Dangerfield live, *The Legend Of Queen Kong* is performed in English and Auslan with subtitles, bass vibrations and a rocking live soundtrack!

## CABARET

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage 

<b>Fri 13 &amp; Sat 14 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr 10mins
<b>Full</b>	\$38
<b>Concession</b>	\$34
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Strobe and flash lighting. Seated performance.

Photo: Eleni Toumpas

# REUBEN KAYE

## THE BUTCH IS BACK

Imagine if Joan Collins, Tim Curry and Meow Meow all dropped a stack of narcotics and had an orgy...

Now roll it in jewels and bathtub gin and you're halfway there. The obscenely intelligent, rib-crackingly funny Reuben Kaye heads to the tropics in an explosion of high camp and filthy humour, blending lavish storytelling into gilded song. Backed by his band The Kaye Holes, this international cabaret star and award-winning cry for help is what happens when you tell your children they can be anything.

## CABARET

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage 

<b>Wed 18 &amp; Thu 19 Aug</b>	9pm
<b>Fri 20 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr 15mins
<b>Full</b>	\$38
<b>Concession</b>	\$34
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Seated performance.

*'A superstar by any definition!'*  
STAGE WHISPERS

Photo: Jax Moussa



## AMELIA RYAN & LIBBY O'DONOVAN UNSUNG

Join award-winning cabaret powerhouses, Amelia Ryan and Libby O'Donovan, in a rollicking, raucous celebration of songs and stories from 1960s Australia. Hear the music of Lynne Randell, Little Patti, Judy Stone, Marcie Jones, Margret Roadknight, Wendy Saddington and Alison McCallum, in an uplifting and nostalgic hour that pays homage to the women who blazed the trails for generations to come. Through history, heart and hilarity, this extraordinary cabaret duo brings these incredible women – and their music – out of the sidelines and into their rightful place in Aussie music history!

### CABARET

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage	
Wed 11 & Thu 12 Aug	7pm
Duration	1hr 10mins
Full	\$38
Concession	\$34
Friends	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Seated performance.

Photo: Claudio Raschella

## DRAG DIVAS

### 21 FOREVER

It's time to par-tay like you're 21 again with all the glitz and glamour that only our very own Drag Divas can bring. Crystal Love, Ferocia Coutura, Donnie Piccolo, Sherri Lee Volua and Vogue MegaQueen star in this cabaret extravaganza, along with a dazzling entourage made up of Darwin's favourite drag kings, queens and performers. Come dressed in your finest – this is a 21st after all! – and feel forever young as we celebrate under a tropical sky.

### CABARET Northern Territory

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage	
Sat 21 Aug	9pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$38
Concession	\$34
Friends	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Limited seating available.



Photo: Nicholas Gouldhurst

## CONSTANTINA BUSH

### RIDE THE NIGHT TRAIN

Constantina Bush is back in Darwin for one night only. Join this illusive and fun-loving character for an evening of music, stories and some naughty revelations. Stepping off the night train with David Spry, Constantina will share a little bit more of herself with adoring fans (and those yet to get acquainted). Expect a whole swag of new tunes as Australia's premier Indigenous showgirl gets funky with the influence of David and his unique style of roots music.

### CABARET Northern Territory

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage	
Tue 17 Aug	9pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$38
Concession	\$34
Friends	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**Presented by Darwin Festival and Artback NT**

**NOTE** Seated performance.



Photo: Duane Preston

## SCIENCE & SEQUINS: A STEAMY CABARET

### CABARET Northern Territory

📍 Darwin Railway Club	
Sun 15 Aug	8pm
Duration	2hrs
All Tickets	\$10

\$4 transaction fee applies



Photo: Nicholas Gouldhurst

When three female scientists, a band and a group of burlesque performers come together at The Rails the result is STEAMY – that's Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics kind of STEAM! Three magnificent women share eye-opening stories about their work in science interspersed with some raunchy cabaret and backed by music from The Epi(c)phannies in an inspiring night of all feminist, all liberating entertainment celebrating mind and body.







## SELINA JENKINS BOOBS

Join acclaimed musician and celebrated musical comedian Selina Jenkins for a ground-breaking tale of mammary proportions. *BOOBS* follows one woman and her two boobs through a life changing decision, a million opinions, a natural disaster and an 'Australian first'. With a distinctive style of storytelling that marries humour and heartbreak, Selina exposes her decision to undergo elective surgery of a fiercely personal nature with cleverly written songs and thought-provoking anecdotes.

### CABARET

📍 Happy Yess		🏏
<b>Fri 6 &amp; Sat 7 Aug</b>	6pm	
<b>Sun 8 Aug</b>	1pm & 6pm	
<b>Duration</b>	1hr	
<b>Full</b>	\$32	
<b>Concession</b>	\$28	
<b>Friends</b>	\$27.20	

\$4 transaction fee applies

Photo: Alison Fairley



## KAREN FROM FINANCE OUT OF OFFICE

Pack your calculators, save your spreadsheets and set your automatic email reply because Australia's premier 'corporate' queen, Karen From Finance, is heading *Out of Office!* The star of *RuPaul's Drag Race Down Under* brings to Darwin her trademark high camp and hilarious mash-ups, plus all the tomfoolery you can poke a presentation pointer at. Say goodbye to the 80-hour work week and jump on board the Finance express for this one-woman journey of self-discovery... and self-annihilation.

### COMEDY

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage		🏏
<b>Wed 11 Aug</b>	9pm	
<b>Duration</b>	1hr	
<b>Full</b>	\$38	
<b>Concession</b>	\$34	
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30	

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Seated performance.

Photo: Joel Devereux

## HANNAH GADSBY BODY OF WORK

After the success of the global sensation and ground-breaking Netflix special *Nanette* and amidst all the hype and opportunities, world class, award-winning funny person Hannah Gadsby found she couldn't quit the stand-up comedy she so loves. 2020 saw her hunkering down, sheltering from a global pandemic and pondering what was next. That ponder is now a show. A brand-new live show. One could say it's a new body of work, couldn't one? And lucky for us she's bringing it to Darwin Festival.

### COMEDY

📍 The Playhouse, Darwin Entertainment Centre 🏏

<b>Sun 22 Aug</b>	5pm & 8pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr 10mins
<b>All Tickets</b>	\$74.90

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Suitable for ages 15+

Presented by Token Events in association with Darwin Festival

*'Makes me laugh in ways that hurt.'*

**TIME OUT**



## IVAN ARISTEGUIETA PIÑATA

Say 'Hola' to your new favourite comedian! Direct from Venezuela, Ivan Aristeguieta is heading to the Top End, armed with a big stick and ready to smash some piñatas. However, when life gives you a piñata, the irony is you must first break something beautiful to get to the sweet candy inside – and as Ivan has learned, it's never the piñatas you expect.

The smash hit of this year's Melbourne Comedy Festival, with a nomination for most outstanding show, Ivan is set to have Darwin cheeks aching with his expressive, joyous and playful style of comedy.

### COMEDY

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage 🏏

<b>Fri 6 &amp; Sat 7 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$38
<b>Concession</b>	\$34
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Seated performance.

*'Give this man citizenship now!'*

**CHORTLE (UK)**





## OLIVER TWIST GRIOT

Fifteen-year-old Oliver Twist has one thing going on – bootlegging and selling music and videos. He is the internet of his local area in Malawi, selling his wares in the refugee camp where his family have settled after fleeing civil war in Rwanda. Arriving in Australia his resumé is less impressive, given everyone has the internet readily available. *Griot* is a vignette of the journey of day-to-day survival for Oliver. From Rwanda to Australia, this whip-smart, wise cracking stand up finds humour in everything.

### COMEDY

📍 Happy Yess	🏠
Fri 20 – Sun 22 Aug	6pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$32
Concession	\$28
Friends	\$27.20

\$4 transaction fee applies

## ZOË COOMBS MARR

### AGONY! MISERY!

Zoë Coombs Marr is an inimitable force in Australian comedy – and she brings the laughs back to Darwin in her latest surrealist stand-up show. This concert is revisiting a concert that was revisiting a concert that happened sometime in the past and is now happening sometime in the future. It's for the dorky kids who went to band camp and loved drama, and anyone else who's ever tried to fit in. And of course with Zoë's slick delivery and awesome mimicry, it's utterly hilarious!

### COMEDY

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage	🏠
Sun 15 Aug	7pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$38
Concession	\$34
Friends	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Seated performance.



Photo: Brennan Scan



## DILRUK JAYASINHA VICTORIOUS LION

The literal translation of 'Jayasinha' is 'Victorious Lion'. It's a name befitting a leader or a king. It's a name with swagger. But is it suitable for stand-up star Dilruk Jayasinha? He's been on TV shows like *Have You Been Paying Attention?* and *Utopia*, and now it's time for him to work out if he is a Victorious Lion by nature or by name only. Find out in this heartfelt and hilarious hour of sublime storytelling and big laughs.

### COMEDY

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage	🏠
Wed 18 Aug	7pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$38
Concession	\$34
Friends	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Seated performance.

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Photo: Nicola Bernardi

## AMY HETHERINGTON BABY SHOWER

Darwin comedy legend Amy Hetherington is about to pop. So, we've got the midwife on standby for a brand-new hour of oversharing comedy from the award-winning energizer bunny herself. Join Amy's *Baby Shower* and hear some laugh-out-loud funny stories about pregnancy, preparing for a newborn and why raising a kid in Darwin is the ultimate challenge. This is the perfect show for new parents, would-be parents, or never-would-I-ever parents. An evening with this endearing, witty, captivating comedy superstar is always a fun night out.

### COMEDY Northern Territory

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage	🏠
Tue 17 Aug	7pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$38
Concession	\$34
Friends	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Seated performance.



Photo: Flowpyre

# MIIESHA

We open our contemporary music program at the INPEX Sunset Stage with Woorabinda singer-songwriter and rising superstar Miiesha. Inspired by the sounds of RnB, gospel and soul, this incredible artist is a proud Pitjantjatjara/Torres Strait Islander with a message as powerful as her voice. Described by triple j as a release 'every Australian should hear', Miiesha's debut *Nyaaringu* sets the tone for a fantastic Festival. Settle in for warm grooves, vibrant soul funk and velvety vocals in an evening of meaningful music.

## MUSIC

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage		♿
Fri 6 Aug	9pm	
Duration	1hr	
Full	\$38	
Concession	\$34	
Friends	\$32.30	

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Limited seating available.

# HAIKU HANDS

Commanding dancefloors across the country (and around the world – when they could) dance-pop renegades Haiku Hands have become an absolute must-see live band. Combining the pure pop attitude of Charli XCX with the energy and swagger of the Beastie Boys, they're guaranteed to make you groove with their singular, rebellious and outright fun sound. Don't miss it when they bring their distinct party vibes to the tropics for the very first time.

## MUSIC

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage		♿
Sat 7 Aug	9pm	
Duration	1hr	
Full	\$38	
Concession	\$34	
Friends	\$32.30	

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Limited seating available.

*'Australia's most electrifying pop prospect.'*

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# FANNY LUMSDEN

Eight-time Golden Guitar and 2020 ARIA Country Album Award-winner Fanny Lumdsden has established herself as an exuberant performer. Together with her incredible band The Pack, she combines a high-energy show with intimate storytelling all delivered with warmth and luscious harmonies. Having grown up on a property in western NSW and spending most of her time touring regional Australia in a caravan, her songs are born of the red dirt, the servos, the snowy mountains and the people in between. Enjoy an evening of kick ass alt-country with a whole lot of heart.

## MUSIC

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage		♿
Sun 8 Aug	7pm	
Duration	1hr	
Full	\$38	
Concession	\$34	
Friends	\$32.30	

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Picnic blankets welcome.

Photo: Dan Stanley Freeman

# RED DESERT, ENDLESS SKY: SONGS FROM THE CENTRE

A supergroup of Alice Springs performers brings you an evening of music shaped by the striking landscape of Central Australia. Alice artists XAVIA, Resin Moon, Paul Ah Chee, Casii Williams and Bambadino come together to perform a showcase of their eclectic music, all accompanied by the voices of the Alice Sings Community Choir. Feel the dust beneath your feet and see the red desert horizon in this evocative collaboration that embodies the inescapable dramatic beauty of Central Australia.

## MUSIC Northern Territory

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage		♿
Sun 8 Aug	9pm	
Duration	1hr	
Full	\$38	
Concession	\$34	
Friends	\$32.30	

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Picnic blankets welcome.





## JESSB

Kiwi hip-hop sensation JessB breathes exhilaration into any dance floor and she's set to have the INPEX Sunset Stage pumping with her punching fusion of dancehall, reggaeton, garage and electronic influences. She brings her trademark sass-leaning rhymes and sharpened swagger to the stage joined by collaborator and DJ Half Queen for a set that will get booties shaking. She's got streams in the millions and spins on commercial and alternative radio, and now Darwin audiences have a chance to see what all the hype is about.

### MUSIC New Zealand

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage	
<b>Thu 12 Aug</b>	9pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>All Tickets</b>	\$30
<b>Friends</b>	\$25.50

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Limited seating available.

*'The reigning Queen of summer parties and we're invited to bow down.'*

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## MONTAIGNE

You're invited to an audience with the queen of art pop music. With melodies to get lost in, unparalleled vocals and the most energetic of live performances, Montaigne represents the next generation of artists who march to the beat of their own drum. Her two albums, live shows and Eurovision entry have propelled her even further into prominence, and we're lucky to have this major name in Aussie indie music hit the INPEX Sunset Stage.

### MUSIC

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage	
<b>Fri 13 Aug</b>	9pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$42
<b>Concession</b>	\$38
<b>Friends</b>	\$35.70

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Limited seating available.

**Presented by Darwin Festival and Darwin Entertainment Centre**

*'A truly mind-blowing live performer.'*

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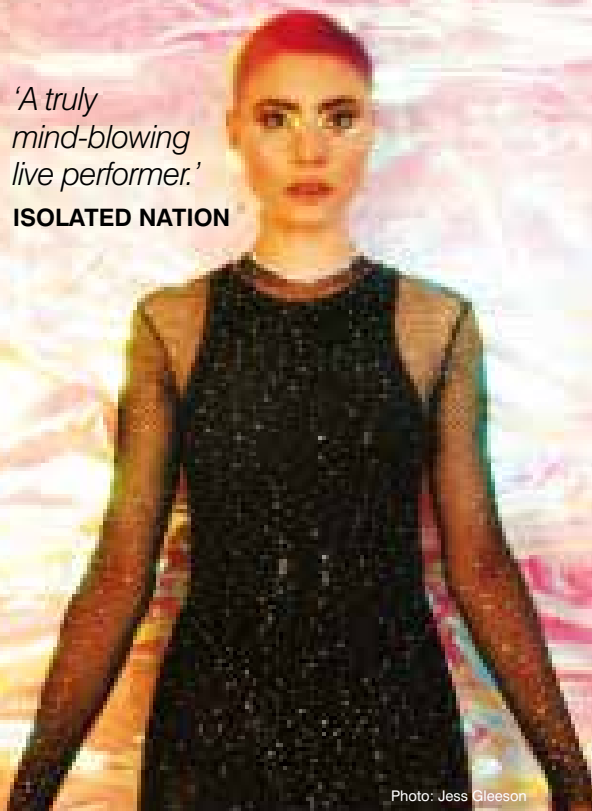


Photo: Jess Gleeson

## WANHA! JOURNEY TO ARNHEM

Journey to East Arnhem Land and experience the hottest musical talent in a showcase of bands, traditional song and dance, storytelling and live projections. With a line-up featuring music from Yirrma!, Dhapanbal Yunupingu, the Andrew Gurruwiwi Band and Juran Adams, alongside world renown songman Djakapurra Munyarryun and narration by award-winning author Merrkiyawuy Ganambarr-Stubbs, *Wanha! Journey to Arnhem* promises to transport you across the Top End to an ancient place with a rich musical history and a vibrant contemporary scene.

### MUSIC Northern Territory

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage	
<b>Sat 14 Aug</b>	9pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$38
<b>Concession</b>	\$34
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Limited seating available.



Photo: Rosealee Pearson



## RAINBOW CHAN

Hong Kong-born, Sydney-based experimental pop star Rainbow Chan performs live in Darwin for the first time. Her signature mix of electronics, live loops, saxophone and captivating vocals are accompanied by the mesmerising live visual works of Carla Zimble. Driven by a DIY spirit, this innovative multi-disciplinary artist melds catchy melodies and off-kilter beats made up of field-recordings and found sounds for an idiosyncratic brand of pop that is heartbreaking and tender.

### MUSIC

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage	
<b>Sun 15 Aug</b>	8.45pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>All Tickets</b>	\$25
<b>Friends</b>	\$21.25

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Picnic blankets welcome.

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Photo: Hyun Lee



## ANGIE MCMAHON

Get set to fall in love with Angie McMahon. Her raw, honest anthems have topped charts and enraptured fans. Backed by a stellar band, Angie's live performances showcase her incredible and unrelenting skills as a guitarist as well as her unparalleled, unapologetic voice. Drawing inspiration from Bruce Springsteen, Lianne La Havas and Big Thief, Angie's music ranges from punchy rock to whispering ballads, but hums with the humanity and authenticity of a true original. This show will be one of those Festival 'wow' moments.

### MUSIC

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage



<b>Thu 19 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$38
<b>Concession</b>	\$34
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Limited seating available.

Photo: Chelsea Sienna

## NGAIIRE

Neo-soul vocal powerhouse Ngaiire is suiting up for a big 2021 with the release of a new album on the horizon. And Darwin Festival will be the among first to hear the new tracks, along with some long-time old favourites, in this stellar show. Having built a musical identity that teases the mainstream, effortlessly crossing genre and art form, Ngaiire is a musical force of nature. She brings her renowned vocals, tight beats, big pop sounds and extravagant costumes to town for one night only.

### MUSIC

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage



<b>Fri 20 Aug</b>	9pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$38
<b>Concession</b>	\$34
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Limited seating available.

## KING STINGRAY

King Stingray blend ancient Indigenous melodies with surf, indie and funk influences to create a genre of their own – Yol u surf-rock. And it's one that has the music world talking! From toddlers in the Yothu Yindi tour entourage to fully fledged band members today, Yirr a Yunupi u and Roy Kellaway are the new generation, celebrating Indigenous culture and multiculturalism through music with their own unique sound. Surging through pounding percussion and striking guitars are powerful vocals sung in Yol u Matha and English, telling a story of two worlds colliding. King Stingray are on fire right now and this will be one fun, loud and raucous live show.

### MUSIC Northern Territory

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage



<b>Sat 21 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$38
<b>Concession</b>	\$34
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Limited seating available.



Photo: Sam Brumby



## GORDON KOANG

Gordon Koang is one of South Sudan's biggest pop stars. A household name in his home region and often hailed as 'the King of Music', this charismatic refugee musician is taking the Australian music world by storm. Experience his wild blend of traditional Nuer rhythms and African pop beats under the stars, as Gordon and his band spread a message of peace, love and unity – dancefloor style.

### MUSIC

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage



<b>Sun 22 Aug</b>	8.45pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$38
<b>Concession</b>	\$34
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Standing event. Limited seating available.

Photo: Michael Rees-Lightfoot



# MUSIC AT THE RAILS

Head to Darwin's favourite year-round music venue, The Rails, for a Festival feast of top talent from around the country and down the road every Friday and Saturday night

**MUSIC** Northern Territory/Australia

📍 Darwin Railway Club

Fri 6 – Sat 21 Aug

Fri & Sat 8pm-10.30pm

Full	\$36
Concession	\$32
Friends	\$30.60

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Limited seating available.

## GRACE CUMMINGS

WITH ARRAN BARKER

Captivating performer Grace Cummings is a folk/blues musician influenced by 20th-century poets and luminaries, from Joni Mitchell and Bob Dylan to Brett Whitely and Van Gogh. But she takes these classic influences to a cosmic place with her distinctive voice and intensely personal songwriting. Her debut album has been described as a secret gem and she is certainly one of the country's hottest new talents with a buzz building around her powerhouse live show.

With support from Arran Barker, best known as front man for alternative outfit DRAFTDAY.

Fri 6 Aug



Photo: Jamie Wdziekonski

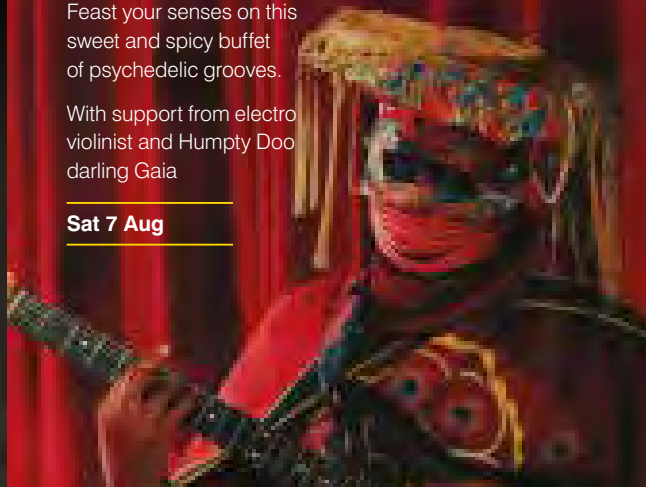
## SLOWMANGO

WITH GAIA

Enter the playful, technicolour world of Slowmango, an international paradise of sonic and visual exploration, teetering on the edge of music and art and blending the sounds of far and wide. Slowmango create instrumentally-driven music inspired by cultures from across the globe, clad in hyper-colourful recycled costumes and doused in energetic momentum. Feast your senses on this sweet and spicy buffet of psychedelic grooves.

With support from electro violinist and Humpty Doo darling Gaia

Sat 7 Aug



## MISTA MONK

WITH JAHQUAVIS

Mista Monk brings the uplifting dancefloor vibrations with his dynamic rap stylings plus a full live band featuring members from Darwin's legendary hip-hop crew Culture Connect. Monk's fiery brand of hip hop, with a splash of reggae and electronica, is at times political, outright funky and always a sure-fire dance-floor riot.

With support from five-piece Jahquavis, who merge Indigenous culture and reggae for a rockin' good time.

Fri 13 Aug



Photo: Juni Ross

## JESS LOCKE

WITH BROADWING

Melbourne artist Jess Locke is known for penning indie pop tracks that are at times subtle and full of melancholy, at times delivered with an acerbic tongue, but always steeped heavily in narrative. Her raw and honest storytelling and poetic inclinations have seen her heralded as one of the country's most exciting emerging indie rock stars.

She and her band perform at The Rails with support from electro-pop artist Broadwing.

Sat 14 Aug



Photo: Ian Laidlaw

## CABLE TIES

WITH THE OVULATORS

Fierce, tense rock'n'roll trio Cable Ties take the three-minute punk burner and stretch it past breaking point to deliver smouldering feminist anthems. With post-punk and garage rock forged together by a relentless pulse, these three friends summon a rhythmic tide to deliver anthems that turn latent anxieties into a rallying cry.

With support from Darwin's own post-pop punk outfit The Ovulators.

Fri 20 Aug

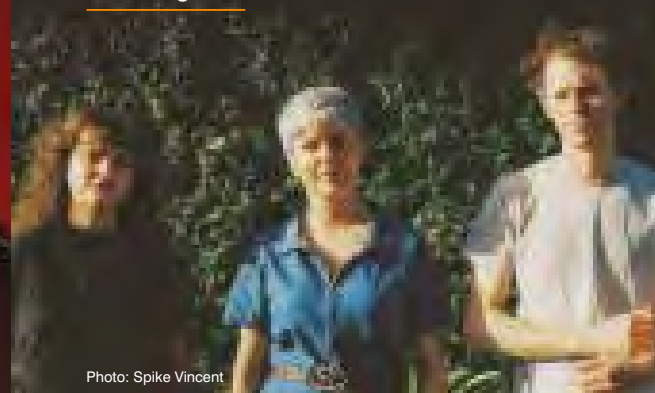


Photo: Spike Vincent

## CLYPSO

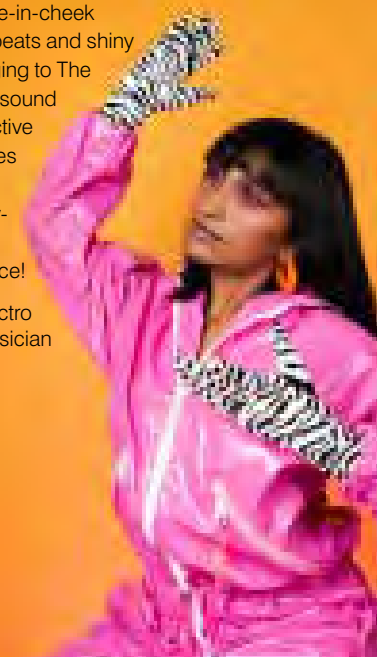
WITH TUTUP MULUT

Sydney-based producer and vocalist CLYPSO layers tongue-in-cheek samples over jungle beats and shiny synth riffs. She's bringing to The Rails her own special sound – a collage of hyperactive beats, grimey basslines and tropical-inspired electronica. It's happy-pill music with a bit of bite. Get ready to dance!

With support from electro Indonesian space musician Tutup Mulut.

Sat 21 Aug

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# ALY DE GROOT A SMACK OF JELLYFISH

Did you know the collective noun for jellyfish is a smack? You may be surprised to find 100 illuminated jellyfish floating in the trees in Festival Park, far removed from their natural marine habitat. Yet, this 'smack attack' is less absurd than it sounds. Jellyfish are the ultimate survivors and many species are thriving globally thanks to climate related mechanisms providing perfect conditions. *A Smack of Jellyfish* invites you to take a moment with one of these luminous creations to weave a wish for a brighter future.

**SPECIAL EVENT // VISUAL ARTS**  
Northern Territory

📍 Festival Park    
**Fri 6 – Sun 22 Aug**  
**FREE**



Aly de Groot, *Jellyfish*,  
handwoven recycled fishing line  
Photo: Darren Clark

# SHAUN PARKER & COMPANY TROLLEYS + HOVER

High-octane contemporary dance, acrobatics and street dance meet trolleys and hoverboards when Shaun Parker & Company take over Festival Park (and beyond) with two highly physical, humorous outdoor performances. See trolleys spin, glide and slide around Festival Park, expertly guided by five exceptional dance and physical theatre artists. And discover epic hoverboard pop-up performances inspired by street dance, circus and classic 90's boy-band hits.

**SPECIAL EVENT // DANCE**

📍 Festival Park	 
<b>HOVER</b> Tue 17 Aug	6pm
<b>TROLLEYS</b> Fri 20-Sun 22 Aug	6pm
<b>Duration</b>	20mins
📍 Casuarina Square	 
<b>HOVER</b> Sat 14 Aug	12.30pm
<b>Duration</b>	20mins
<b>FREE</b>	

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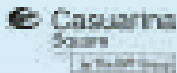


Photo: Irven Lewis



# JOSEPH O'FARRELL (JOF) 10 MINUTE DANCE PARTIES

Melbourne artist JOF and a guest line-up of young Darwin locals invite you to cut loose inside a rave-ready shipping container in Festival Park for the best dance party of your life. This all-ages event asks you to have as much fun as you can with one catch – you only have ten minutes to dance. And dance you will! With world record attempts, dance move competitions, dedications, interpretations and ventures into the unknown, you're sure to have a blast at *10 Minute Dance Parties*.

**SPECIAL EVENT** Northern Territory/Australia

📍 Festival Park	
<b>Thu 12 Aug</b>	6pm-8pm
<b>Fri 13 – Sun 15 Aug</b>	5pm-8pm
<b>Sessions every 15mins</b>	
<b>Duration</b>	10mins
<b>FREE</b>	

**NOTE** Contains smoke or haze effects and strobe lighting. Suitable for assisted wheelchair access. Limited capacity per session.

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Photo: Duane Preston

# CLUB AWII

When night falls it's time for the big kids to come out to play at our Festival Club under the stars. Join us every Friday and Saturday night at *Club Awi*, where DJ megastars from around the country (and across the ditch) bring the vibes late into the night. Stay on after your 9pm INPEX Sunset Stage show for free entry.

**LATE NIGHT // MUSIC**  
Northern Territory/Australia/New Zealand

📍 INPEX Sunset Stage 

<b>Fri 6 – Sat 21 Aug</b>	
<b>Fri &amp; Sat</b>	10pm-late
<b>Fri 6 Aug</b>	Soju Gang + Emily Rose
<b>Sat 7 Aug</b>	Beatrice (Haiku Hands) + DJ WiPod
<b>Fri 13 Aug</b>	Half Queen (NZ) + Miss Possum
<b>Sat 14 Aug</b>	Teriyaki Mami + Kuya James and DemiRep
<b>Fri 20 Aug</b>	Planet Dale + DJ JEM
<b>Sat 21 Aug</b>	Aunty Jonny of The Dollar Bin Darlings + Micky Mas

<b>All Tickets</b>	\$10 at the door
<b>Friends</b>	FREE

**NOTE** Suitable for ages 18+



Pictured: Half Queen

# FESTIVAL PARK

## YOUR FESTIVAL HUB

📍 Cnr Smith St & Harry Chan Ave 📍

Open Fri 6 – Sun 22 Aug from 5pm

Closed Mon 9 & 16 Aug



Get your fill of **MUSIC, THEATRE, COMEDY** and **CABARET** at the INPEX Sunset Stage, Brown's Mart Theatre and Happy Yess

**TREAT YOUR TASTEBUDS** with delicious food



**COOL OFF** with a refreshing drink from one of our bars



Divide your rubbish at our recycling stations and help **CONQUER WASTE**

**FREE MUSIC** every night at the Kolsen Bamboo Bandstand



**CUT LOOSE** at 10 Minute Dance Parties, hang out under A Smack of Jellyfish and enjoy free roving entertainment throughout the Park



Take home a piece of **FESTIVAL MERCH** – grab your t-shirt, cap and stubby cooler at the Box Office or bar



Check in, wash your hands, keep your distance and **HAVE FUN!**

## WELCOME TO COUNTRY

Join us for a special smoking ceremony to open Festival Park on Friday 6 August. Led by Aunty Bilawara Lee and the Lee family, this traditional Welcome to Country acknowledges the ancestral spirits, traditional custodians and elders of the Larrakia people upon whose land the Festival takes place.

Fri 6 Aug 5.30pm

## KOLSEN BAMBOO BANDSTAND

Start your Festival night right with a free gig from a great local talent. On the weekend check out dancing from local groups. See our website for all the details.

### MUSIC // DANCE

Fri 6 – Sun 22 Aug 6.30pm & 8pm

Fri 6 Aug	The Changes
Sat 7 Aug	Alice Strings
Sun 8 Aug	Sally Balfour
Tue 10 Aug*	Patsy Coleman
Wed 11 Aug	France is Burning
Thu 12 Aug	Serina Pech
Fri 13 Aug	Crystal Robins Band
Sat 14 Aug	World Mix Band
Sun 15 Aug	Mandy Garling
Tue 17 Aug	Alice Cotton
Wed 18 Aug	The Neo Trio
Thu 19 Aug	Kate Oliver
Fri 20 Aug	The New Savages
Sat 21 Aug	Australian Army Band
Sun 22 Aug	Nightcliff Hill People

**FREE**

\*6pm only

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**KOLSEN**

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# FESTIVAL FEASTS

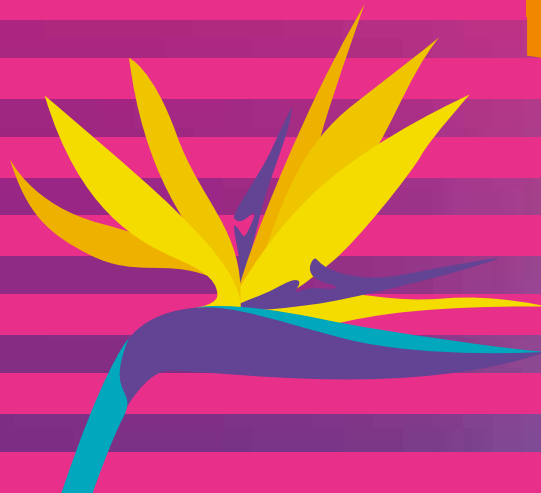
Savour a taste of the Territory from our range of food vendors in Festival Park.

There's plenty to tempt you every night of the Festival so get the family together, meet up with mates before a show and kick back with delicious food and a refreshing drink.



## CUCINA SOTTO LE STELLE

Authentic Italian wood fired pizza, cooked fresh on site using a combination of local produce and Italian flavours. It wouldn't be a Festival without the echo of 'Number 24, pizza!'



## SMOKEY J'S BREW & QUE

Texas style BBQ with an NT flair that you can smell throughout the park. Think smoked brisket with bush spice rub, green paw paw slaw, local bush fruit chutney and more.



## PHAT MANGO

This collaboration with Indigenous-owned Kakadu Kitchen promises the Territory on a plate. Sumptuous seafood and bushfood ingredients make their Top End paella a winner.



## HANUMAN

Hanuman and chef Jimmy Shu are a Territory institution. Who needs to travel overseas when you can enjoy the flavours of Thailand, India and Malaysia right here.



## DAMASQUINO CAFÉ & RESTAURANT

Traditional Syrian food cooked the old-fashioned way. The delicious kebabs, kibbeh, shish tawook and salad will have you coming back for more.



## BAMBOO LOUNGE

Traditional Taiwanese street food – gua bao – are back. This trendy Asian version of a taco features a pillowy rice flour bun stuffed with meat or veggies and loads of fresh herbs.



## SOMETHING SWEET

Looking for a sweet treat or caffeinated pick-me-up? A scoop of mouth-watering Trampoline gelato is the perfect indulgence before a show, after dinner or anytime! Or pick up a coffee and a chocolate from Bumble Bean.

# THE LISTIES HAMLET: PRINCE OF SKIDMARK

A very cheeky, very clever, utterly irreverent riff on *Hamlet* – made especially for children

*'Funny, entertaining and full of energy and imagination.'*

## STAGE WHISPERS

The Listies, maestros of children's entertainment, have pulled apart Shakespeare's classic and glued it back together with hilarious costumes, loads of silliness and plenty of interactivity. This badaptation of the Bard features everything that's great about a Shakespearean tragedy – ghosts, castles, sword fights, bodily fluids and spooky stuff – with the added bonus of pillow fights, pirates, ninjas, ninja pirates, aliens, ninja pirate aliens, zombies and a bunch of other hilarious stuff perfect for anyone aged five and up.

The only thing you can be sure of is that everyone dies at the end – including the audience!

## FAMILY // THEATRE

📍 Studio Theatre, Darwin Entertainment Centre 🦿

<b>Fri 20 Aug</b>	6pm
<b>Sat 21 Aug</b>	2pm & 6pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$30
<b>Concession</b>	\$26
<b>Family of 4</b>	\$100
<b>Friends</b>	\$25.50

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Contains smoke or haze effects.  
Suitable for ages 5+.



Photo: Andrew Wuttke



# JUSTINE CLARKE

## + MONSKI MOUSE'S BABY DISCO

We're bringing the Festival family fun to a celebratory end with one huge free concert at Darwin Waterfront

If you like to sing, put on your dancing pants (or dancing face) and get ready to hop hippity hop and roar like a dinosaur with everyone's favourite entertainer for the youngsters – Justine Clarke. DJ Monski Mouse and her fabulous back-up dancers will get the party started for this little day out under the colourful flags of *Fly Me Up To Where You Are*. Sing and dance along to all your favourite hits! (BYO watermelon).

## FAMILY // MUSIC

📍 Darwin Waterfront

<b>Sun 22 Aug</b>	4pm
<b>Duration</b>	2hrs
<b>FREE</b>	

**NOTE** Suitable for all ages.

Proudly supported by



DARWINWATERFRONT

# CITY OF DARWIN TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC

Calling all teddies – and their families! We're back at The Esplanade for a big day out for the littlest arts lovers.

*City of Darwin Teddy Bears' Picnic* is your chance to experience the sights, sounds and tastes of Darwin Festival in a program of free, fun activities designed especially for families. Spread out on the lawn and catch a show on the stage, wander the range of stalls, get involved in artistic adventures and, of course, indulge in some tasty treats. Bring the whole family – and don't forget your favourite cuddly toy!

**FAMILY** Northern Territory

📍 The Esplanade

**Sun 8 Aug** 9am–12pm

**FREE**

**NOTE** Suitable for all ages.

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DARWIN



Photo: Elise Derwin





## AUSTRALIAN ART ORCHESTRA HAND TO EARTH

*Hand to Earth* brings together Yolŋu songman, Daniel Wilfred, and Korean vocalist, Sunny Kim, for an exquisite performance that expresses the here and now in music. The two vocal approaches are melded into the electronic atmospheres created by trumpeter and composer, Peter Knight, as the artists sing of the stars, fire and the cooling rain. Complemented by David Yipininy Wilfred on yidaki and Aviva Endean on clarinets, this stirring musical experience represents contemporary Australia at its best – sophisticated, inclusive, diverse and forward looking.

**MUSIC** Northern Territory/Australia/Sth Korea

📍 **INPEX Sunset Stage** 

<b>Sun 22 Aug</b>	7pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr
<b>Full</b>	\$38
<b>Concession</b>	\$34
<b>Friends</b>	\$32.30

\$4 transaction fee applies

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Photo: Tobias Titz

## DARWIN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA WAVELENGTHS

Darwin Symphony Orchestra perform the world premiere of 'barra-róddjiba', a collaboration between Ripple Effect Band members, Maningrida elders and Australian composer Alex Turley. 'Barra-róddjiba' tells the story of the Djomi baby spirits who bravely protected Maningrida from Cyclone Monica in 2006. Hear the cry of the Djomi water spirits and the voices of women singing in Ndjébbana language with an orchestra for the very first time. This thrilling premiere will be followed by Mozart's *Sinfonia Concertante*, with the passion of Tchaikovsky's Symphony No 5 bringing the evening to a triumphant close.

**MUSIC** Northern Territory

📍 **The Playhouse, Darwin Entertainment Centre** 

<b>Sat 21 Aug</b>	7.30pm
<b>Duration</b>	1hr 50mins with interval
<b>Full</b>	\$60
<b>Concession</b>	\$50
<b>Group (10+)</b>	\$50
<b>Under 30</b>	\$30
<b>Under 18</b>	\$20
<b>Family of 4</b>	\$130
<b>Friends</b>	\$51

\$4 transaction fee applies

**Presented by Darwin Symphony Orchestra in association with Darwin Festival**



Photo: Tim Nicol Photography

## OPERA AUSTRALIA CARMEN

**Carmen is the femme fatale you can't forget**

Bizet's classic has everything you want from an opera – high drama, passionate characters, a love story and great melodies. Even if you don't know the opera, you'll definitely recognise the tunes.

See *Carmen* come to life at Darwin Entertainment Centre with Opera Australia's singers, a live chamber orchestra and a children's chorus drawn from the Darwin community. Experience the thrilling Spanish colour and rhythms of Bizet's vibrant score in a new production that includes gorgeous sets and vintage-inspired costumes. Hear classics such as the 'Habanera' and the 'Toreador Song' just as Bizet meant them – loud, live and completely unamplified. Just try and resist humming along!

**OPERA**

📍 **The Playhouse, Darwin Entertainment Centre** 

<b>Fri 6 Aug</b>	7.30pm
<b>Sat 7 Aug</b>	1.30pm
<b>Duration</b>	2hrs 35mins with interval
<b>Full</b>	\$64
<b>Concession</b>	\$59
<b>Under 18</b>	\$20
<b>Friends</b>	\$54.40

\$4 transaction fee applies

**NOTE** Contains use of herbal cigarettes and replica firearms. Suitable for ages 12+.

**Presented by Darwin Entertainment Centre in association with Darwin Festival**



Photo: Georges Antoni

JOSH COHEN  
RADIOHEAD  
FOR SOLO PIANO

Hear all your favourite Radiohead tunes like never before, as pianist Josh Cohen takes the band's back catalogue to new frontiers with *Radiohead for Solo Piano*.

Josh became a YouTube sensation with more than 15 million views of his piano interpretations of Radiohead songs – and his versions have been given the thumbs up by the band itself! Radiohead are constantly evolving, so it feels unfamiliar, but oh so right, to hear their music reimagined by a classical and jazz-trained piano maestro.

MUSIC

📍 Studio Theatre, Darwin Entertainment Centre

Wed 11 Aug	7.30pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$42
Concession	\$38
Friends	\$35.70

\$4 transaction fee applies

Photo: Emma Phillips



GENE PETERSON & ADAM PAGE  
LOOP THE LOOP

Master musician Gene Peterson and multi-instrumentalist Adam Page go head-to-head in a hilarious musical showdown. Set in a boxing ring, complete with blue and red corners, each artist attempts to out-play the other with their multitude of musical abilities. Expect to see incredible drumming, virtuosic saxophone playing and music made from kids' toys, a beard and a variety of vegetables! Sometimes quirky, often hilarious, at times unbelievable, but always impressive, *Loop the Loop* is the ultimate concert experience for all ages.

MUSIC // FAMILY

📍 Studio Theatre, Darwin Entertainment Centre

Tue 17 & Wed 18 Aug	7.30pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$35
Concession	\$30
Under 18	\$15
Friends	\$29.75

\$4 transaction fee applies

Presented by Darwin Entertainment Centre in association with Darwin Festival

*'A night of musical mayhem.'*

THE WEST AUSTRALIAN

Photo: Conan Whitehouse

NETANELA MIZRAHI &  
GUWANBAL GURRUWIWI  
THE DJARI  
PROJECT

Featuring Young Adelaide Voices'  
Aurora Ensemble

*The Djari Project* is an award-winning collaboration between Galpu songman Guwanbal Gurruwiwi (Galiwin'ku) and Darwin composer and violinist Netanela Mizrahi. Join these performers, The Djari Project chamber ensemble and the Young Adelaide Voices' Aurora Ensemble to celebrate the launch of the project's first album of unique choral and chamber works in Indigenous languages. Share in musical stories that bring together traditional Indigenous songs and values with classical Western traditions for an uplifting evening for everyone to enjoy.

MUSIC Northern Territory

📍 The Playhouse, Darwin Entertainment Centre

Sun 15 Aug	5pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$42
Concession	\$38
Friends	\$35.70

\$4 transaction fee applies



ARAFURA MUSIC COLLECTIVE  
DISTANCED  
DUETS 2.0

Following the huge success of *Distanced Duets* in 2020, we're bringing it back to the gracious surrounds of the heritage Audit House. You're invited into the intimate drama of chamber music, where two musicians and two instruments come together for your listening pleasure. With a choice of three different duets featuring strings, flutes and guitar and an eclectic program, *Distanced Duets 2.0* ensures you'll never think about chamber music the same way again.

MUSIC Northern Territory

📍 Audit House

Tue 10 – Thu 12 Aug	6pm
Tue 17 – Thu 19 Aug	6pm
Duration	1hr
Full	\$30
Concession	\$26
Friends	\$25.50

\$4 transaction fee applies

# SALON ART PROJECTS

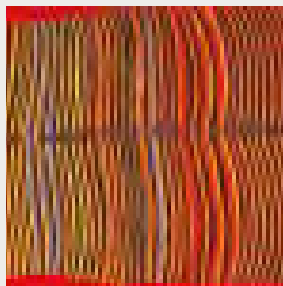
VISUAL ARTS Northern Territory/Australia

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## SALON DES REFUSÉS

Every August *Salon des Refusés* features works submitted but not accepted into NATSIAA (*National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards*). The quality demonstrates the superb standard of art being created by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists nationwide, and provides valuable insight into where the movement has come from and where it's heading.



Lawrence Walker, *Tali*, 2020, acrylic on linen. Image courtesy Spinifex Arts Project

📍 **CDU Art Gallery**



**Official Opening** Wed 4 Aug 5.30pm

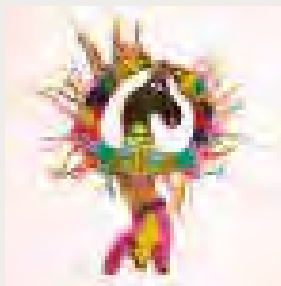
**Exhibition Dates** Thu 5 Aug – Sat 25 Sep  
Wed-Fri 10am-4pm  
Sat 10am-2pm

Presented by Salon Art Projects and hosted by CDU Art Gallery

## WALTJA TJUTA: FAMILY

An exhibition of new painted and stitched works celebrating family.

'Our art room is family coming together, our door is always open, you are always welcome. There are eight languages that come into this art room. We sit around together talking, laughing, sorting out problems, encouraging each other to be the winner at art! This art room belongs to us, right here on our Town Camp.'



Louise Robertson, *Dancing Bird*, 2021, soft sculpture. Image courtesy Yarrenyty Arltere Artists

📍 **Tactile Arts**



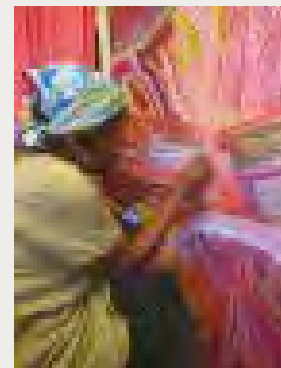
**Official Opening** Fri 6 Aug 3pm

**Exhibition Dates** Thu 5 – Sat 14 Aug  
Mon-Sat 10am-4pm

Presented by Salon Art Projects in association with Yarrenyty Arltere Artists

## PATSY MUDGEDELL AWAKENING

Patsy Mudgefell is a contemporary artist redefining what Aboriginal art is, and can be. Through her richly textured paintings, she encourages respect for country. 'An artwork is a good way of showing that respect. It's alive like we are alive. The land can have a relationship with you. This is why people have a duty of care to their areas. They have a responsibility and with that comes authenticity.'



Patsy Mudgefell painting. Image courtesy Warlayirti Artists

📍 **Paul Johnstone Gallery**



**Official Opening** Fri 6 Aug 1pm

**Exhibition Dates** Fri 6 – Sat 28 Aug  
Tue-Fri 10am-5pm  
Sat 10am-2pm

Presented by Salon Art Projects in association with Warlayirti Artists

## TIMO HOGAN PANTUTJARA

Timo Hogan does not paint the picture. He paints the story. And the story is the big picture. He calmly applies the paint to Lake Baker with the quiet authority of someone recreating the country they know intimately. At Lake Baker, Timo tells of the religion within the landscape and the inhabitants that made it so. He surveys the Wati Kutjara Tjukurpa (Two Men Creation Line) of his birthright and brings this into focus on the two dimensional plane for all to see.



Timo Hogan, *Lake Baker*, 2021, acrylic on linen. Image courtesy Spinifex Arts Project

📍 **Outstation Gallery**



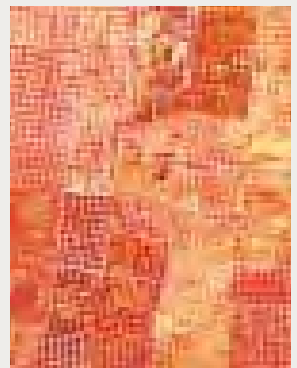
**Official Opening** Sat 7 Aug 11.30am

**Exhibition Dates** Sat 7 – Sat 28 Aug  
Tue & Sat 10am-2pm  
Wed-Fri 10am-5pm

Presented by Salon Art Projects in association with Spinifex Arts Project

## CARBIENE MCDONALD

The paintings of Papunya-based artist Carbiene McDonald depict four dreaming stories (tjukurrpa) inherited from his father. These tjukurrpa are associated with a series of waterholes running between Docker River and Kata Tjuta at four important sites. As a young man, Carbiene returned to these places retracing his father's footsteps. These memories stay with him vividly today and inform his stunning work.



Carbiene McDonald, *Four Dreamings*, 2021, acrylic on linen. Image courtesy Papunya Tjupi Arts

📍 **Outstation Gallery**



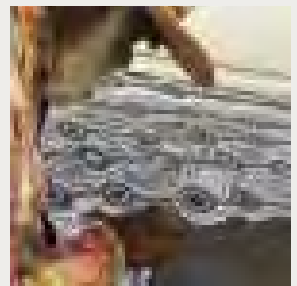
**Official Closing** Thu 5 Aug 3pm

**Exhibition Dates** Sat 17 Jul – Fri 6 Aug  
Tue & Sat 10am-2pm  
Wed-Fri 10am-5pm

Presented by Salon Art Projects in association with Papunya Tjupi Arts

## MARU MUNU PIRANPA (BLACK AND WHITE)

This exhibition showcases a selection of outstanding works by leading artists from Kaltjiti Arts, including Taylor Cooper, Witjiti George, Matjangka (Nyukana) Norris and Imitjala Curley. The primary focus of this community-based Aboriginal art centre is on artistic excellence, cultural maintenance and the promotion of economic sustainability through the arts.



Taylor Cooper painting. Image courtesy Kaltjiti Arts

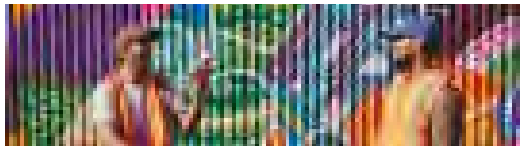
📍 **Paul Johnstone Gallery**



**Exhibition Dates** Sat 24 Jul – Sat 21 Aug  
Tue-Fri 10am-5pm  
Sat 10am-2pm

Presented by Salon Art Projects in association with Kaltjiti Arts







# TRANSFORMING THE INPEX SUNSET STAGE

Our newest favourite outdoor venue gets an all-new look thanks to Larrakia street artists Shaun and Trent Lee. The vibrant colours they use are the just the thing to make our main stage dazzle. All will be revealed when we open Festival Park on Friday 6 August.

## VISUAL ARTS Northern Territory

<b>📍 Festival Park</b>	 
<b>Exhibition Dates</b>	Fri 6 – Sun 22 Aug Closed Mondays

**FREE**

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Photo: Elise Derwin



# ROBYN FRANCES THE CONNECTION CURVE

Artist Robyn Frances listened deeply to 130 Territorians over video call about their lives during 2020 and 2021. Each conversation was distilled into a tender offering – a portrait and a story reclaimed from the screen. What began as conversations about COVID-19 became a chorus about meaning in our lives.



Robyn Frances, *The Connection Curve*, 2021. Image courtesy the artist

## VISUAL ARTS Northern Territory

<b>📍 UNTITLED Gallery + Studio</b>	 
<b>Official Opening</b>	Fri 6 Aug 6pm-8pm
<b>Exhibition Dates</b>	Fri 6 – Thu 26 Aug Mon-Sat 10am-4pm
<b>Artist Talk</b>	Sat 7 Aug 11am

**FREE**

**Presented by Darwin Community Arts**

# MURRNINY

Hit by shotguns, burnt by dry season fires, rusted by monsoonal rain – discarded signs litter Territory roadsides. The power of the rules and warnings they once shouted have faded like their glossy reflective paint. A group of seven Yol u artists from Yirrkala have come to rescue, recycle and rework these battered warriors in ways never seen before.

*Murrniny* is the Yol u word for steel and references the shovel-nosed spears made here since pre-Cook times. It is also the name by which this nation was known by its neighbours and the first Europeans who encountered them. Old signs are new again.

## VISUAL ARTS Northern Territory

<b>📍 Northern Centre for Contemporary Art</b>	 
<b>Official Opening</b>	Sat 7 Aug 10am
<b>Exhibition Dates</b>	Sat 7 Aug – Sat 25 Sep Wed-Fri 10am-4pm Sat 10am-2pm

**FREE**

**Presented by Salon Art Projects in association with Northern Centre for Contemporary Art and Buku-Larrngay Mulka Centre**



Wapapati Yunupirju working on Found Street Sign.  
Photo: David Wickens, courtesy Buku-Larrngay Mulka Centre



# THEN AND NOW

Curated by designer Shauny Edwards (Larrakia), writer and creative director Nina Fitzgerald (South East Darwin/ Torres Strait/Cape York) and artist Lorraine Kabbindi White (Kunwinjku Mok clan) *THEN AND NOW* celebrates Indigenous culture and explores the intersection where old meets new. Experience a snapshot of emerging Indigenous art and design through the lens of some of the most exciting young creatives from remote and urban Australia.



Image: Nina Fitzgerald

## VISUAL ARTS

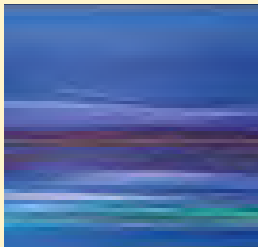
<b>📍 Air Raid Arcade</b>	 
<b>Exhibition Dates</b>	Thu 5 – Sun 22 Aug Mon-Sun 8am-3pm

**FREE**

**Presented by House of Darwin and Agency Projects**

# DARWIN VISUAL ARTS

Three different exhibitions will fill DVA during the Festival. In the Entry space, Alan Ogrin's *Horizons* features paintings of the views from his Parap high-rise apartment. In the Main Gallery, Heather Whybrow and Amber Reid will dazzle with a showcase of their works inspired by the colour, pattern and depictions of tropical life. And Craig Smith's *Dreams and Visions* explores and celebrates diversity.



## VISUAL ARTS Northern Territory

<b>📍 Darwin Visual Arts</b>	 
<b>Official Opening</b>	Fri 6 Aug 5.30pm for 6pm
<b>Exhibition Dates</b>	Fri 6 – Sat 21 Aug Thu & Fri 10am-5pm Sat 10am-2pm

**FREE**

**Presented by Darwin Visual Arts**

Left: Heather Whybrow, *Red Centre*, 2020  
Above: Alan Ogrin, *Burnoff Glow*, 2020

# YIRRINKIRIPWOJA JILAMARA

This celebrated annual exhibition features internationally renowned authentic, contemporary Tiwi artwork based on jilamara (body painting design), clan totems and Tiwi creation stories. See some of the best new work by emerging and senior Tiwi artists, meet the artists and experience Yoi (dance) at the opening celebration.



Pupuni Jilamara, *Simplicia Tipungwuti*, 2020. Photo: Guy Allain

## VISUAL ARTS Northern Territory

<b>📍 DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Esplanade Darwin</b>	 
<b>Official Opening</b>	Fri 6 Aug 10.30am
<b>Exhibition Dates</b>	Fri 6 – Thu 12 Aug 10am-5pm daily

**FREE**

**Presented by Munupi Arts and Jilamara Arts and Craft Association**



Memory Box

# CINE CANADA

We shine a spotlight on two very different Canadian films that show us the world from a First Nations' and refugee perspective

While the rest of the world seems further away than ever, film can remind us of how much we have in common. These two films offer a new look at issues that resonate in Australia right now.

The lives of three women are connected by a box that resurfaces containing notebooks, photographs and audiotapes in the Canadian-Lebanese-French drama *Memory Box*. This fresh, poignant and deeply personal film documents a great part of Lebanese history through the lives of its characters.

*Blood Quantum* blends bloody horror with sociopolitical subtext, taking a fresh bite out of the crowded zombie genre in the bargain. The dead are coming back to life outside the isolated Mi'kmaq reserve of Red Crow, except for its Indigenous inhabitants who are strangely immune to the zombie plague.

Enjoy live music from local artists before each screening.



Blood Quantum

FILM Canada

Deckchair Cinema



Memory Box

Mon 9 Aug

7pm

Doors open 6pm

Duration

1hr 40mins

Blood Quantum

Mon 16 Aug

7pm

Doors open 6pm

Duration

1hr 38mins

Full

\$17

Concession

\$13

Child

\$9

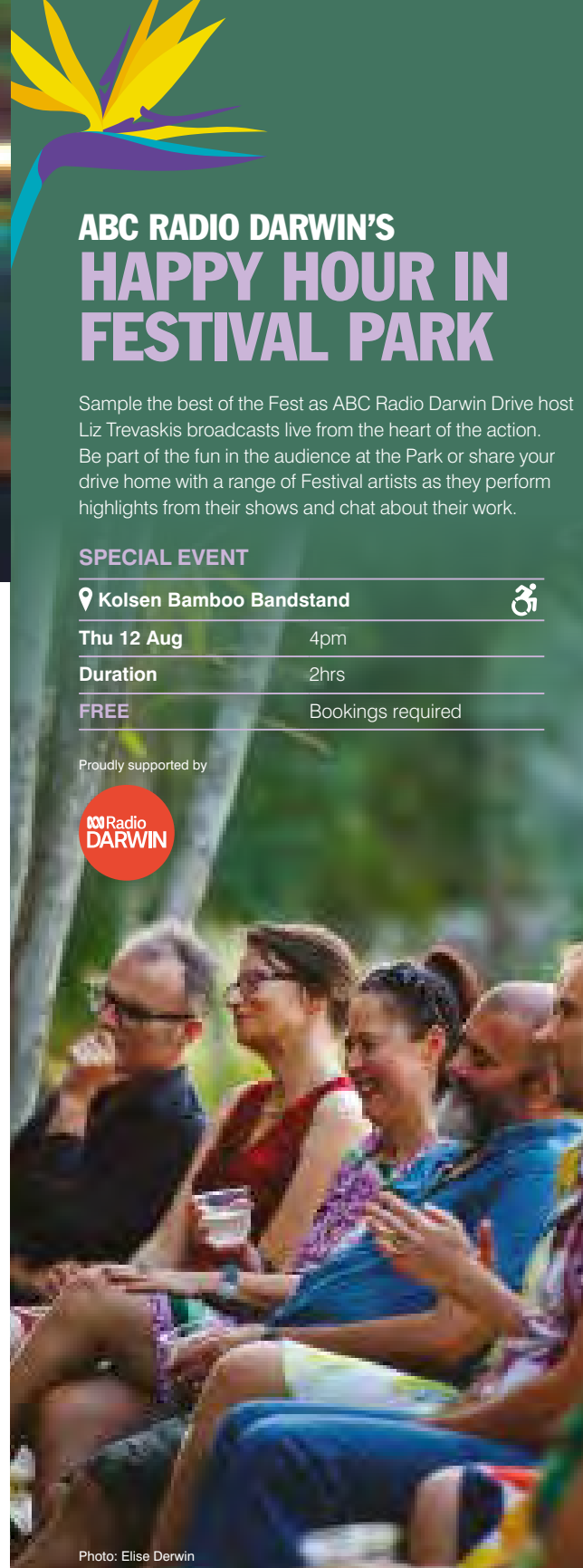
Friends

\$10

\$4 transaction fee applies

Presented by Darwin Festival and Deckchair Cinema

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## ABC RADIO DARWIN'S HAPPY HOUR IN FESTIVAL PARK

Sample the best of the Fest as ABC Radio Darwin Drive host Liz Trevaskis broadcasts live from the heart of the action. Be part of the fun in the audience at the Park or share your drive home with a range of Festival artists as they perform highlights from their shows and chat about their work.

### SPECIAL EVENT

Kolsen Bamboo Bandstand



Thu 12 Aug

4pm

Duration

2hrs

FREE

Bookings required

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Photo: Elise Derwin

## DARWIN FESTIVAL FOR SCHOOLS

We believe all young people should have the opportunity to participate in the arts. That's why we offer special schools-only performances and bring Festival artists into local schools.

### ARTISTS IN SCHOOLS

Local kids get to have all the fun when we send members of Shaun Parker & Company and Gravity & Other Myths back to school for some hands-on dance and circus workshops.

### SCHOOLS PERFORMANCES

Circus, theatre, dance and comedy – this year's program of performances especially for schools has something for everyone. If your school is keen to get students out of the classroom to experience live performance, we'd love to help make that happen. We have shows just for schools at discounted prices. Visit [darwinfestival.org.au/schools](http://darwinfestival.org.au/schools) for all the details.

Heart is a Wasteland Thu 12 Aug 11am (p16)

Value for Money Wed 18 Aug 11am (p20)

The Pulse Thu 19 Aug 11am (p10)

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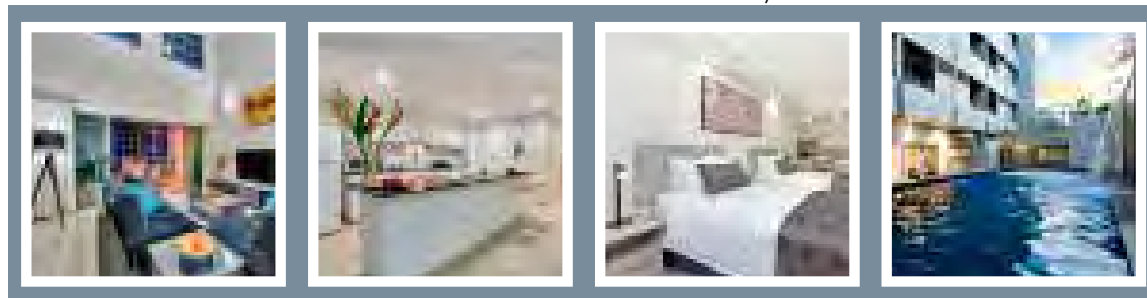
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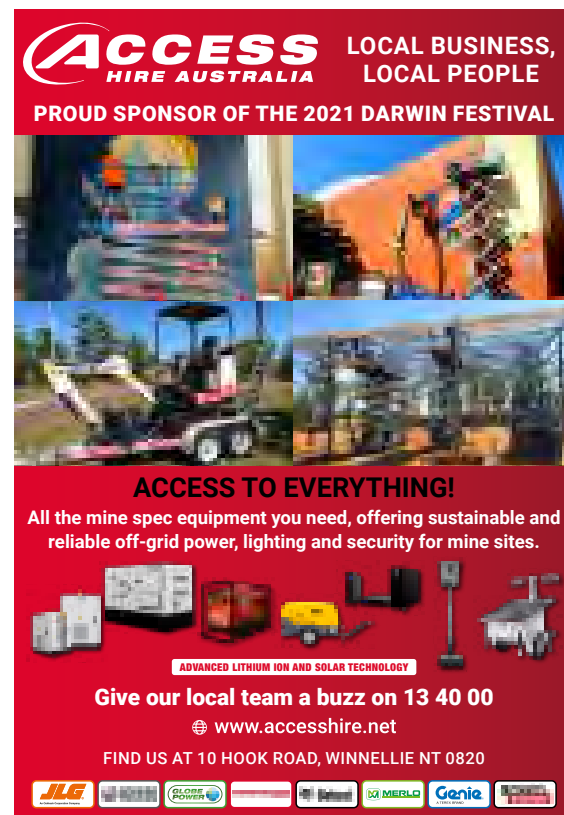


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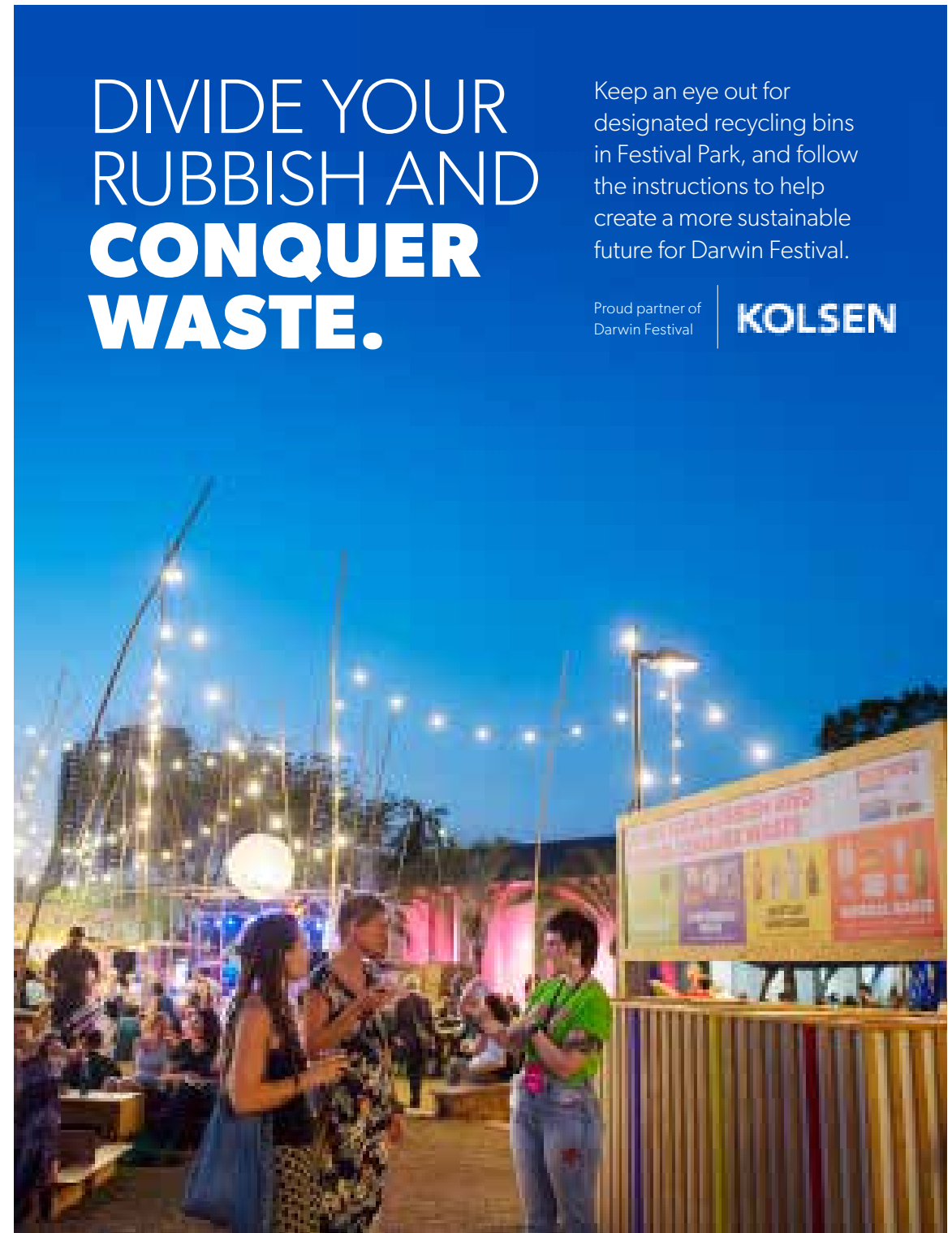
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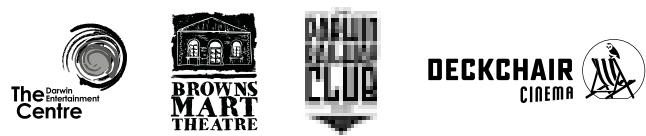
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Bus routes 4 and 6 travel within walking distance of George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens and the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory.

Take bus route 6 to visit Darwin Railway Club and Parap art galleries and bus route 4 or 10 to Charles Darwin University.

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- 🚌 **Bus Route 10**
- 👤 **Bus stop**
- 🛴 **Neuron e-scooter parking**

DAILY DIARY

SHOW	VENUE	PG	THU 5	FRI 6	SAT 7	SUN 8	MON 9	TUE 10	WED 11	THU 12	FRI 13	SAT 14	SUN 15	MON 16	TUE 17	WED 18	THU 19	FRI 20	SAT 21	SUN 22
CABARET																				
BOOBS	Happy Yess	26		6pm	6pm	1pm & 6pm														
Constantina Bush	INPEX Sunset Stage	25													9pm					
Drag Divas	INPEX Sunset Stage	24																	9pm	
The Legend of Queen Kong	INPEX Sunset Stage	22									7pm	7pm								
Reuben Kaye	INPEX Sunset Stage	23														9pm	9pm	7pm		
Science & Sequins: A STEAMy Cabaret	Darwin Railway Club	25											8pm							
Unsung	INPEX Sunset Stage	24							7pm	7pm										
CIRCUS																				
The Pulse	Darwin Entertainment Centre	10													7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm	7.30pm		
COMEDY																				
Amy Hetherington	INPEX Sunset Stage	29													7pm					
Dilruk Jayasinha	INPEX Sunset Stage	29														7pm				
Hannah Gadsby	Darwin Entertainment Centre	27																		5pm & 8pm
Ivan Aristeguieta	INPEX Sunset Stage	27		7pm	7pm															
Karen From Finance	INPEX Sunset Stage	26							9pm											
Oliver Twist	Happy Yess	28																6pm	6pm	6pm
Zoë Coombs Marr	INPEX Sunset Stage	28											7pm							
DANCE																				
HOVER FREE	Various venues	38													6pm					
Jurrungu Ngan-ga	Darwin Entertainment Centre	19																		
Sydney Dance Company	Darwin Entertainment Centre	21						7.30pm			8pm									
Tracks Dance Company	George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens	20				7pm	7pm		7pm	7pm		7pm	7pm	7pm						
TROLLEYS FREE	Festival Park	38																6pm	6pm	6pm
Value for Money	Brown's Mart Theatre	20													6pm	11am & 6pm	6pm			
FAMILY																				
City of Darwin Teddy Bears' Picnic FREE	The Esplanade	45					9am-12pm													
Hamlet: Prince of Skidmark	Darwin Entertainment Centre	44																6pm	2pm & 6pm	
Justine Clarke FREE	Darwin Waterfront	45																		4pm
FILM																				
Blood Quantum	Deckchair Cinema	54													7pm					
Memory Box	Deckchair Cinema	54						7pm												
MUSIC																				
Angie McMahon	INPEX Sunset Stage	34															7pm			
Cable Ties	Darwin Railway Club	37																8pm		
Club Awi	INPEX Sunset Stage	39		10pm	10pm						10pm	10pm						10pm		
CLYPSO	Darwin Railway Club	37																10pm		
Darwin Symphony Orchestra	Darwin Entertainment Centre	46																		
Distanced Duets 2.0	Audit House	49						6pm	6pm	6pm					6pm	6pm	6pm			
The Djari Project	Darwin Entertainment Centre	49																		
Fanny Lumsden	INPEX Sunset Stage	31				7pm								5pm						
Flight Facilities	Darwin Amphitheatre	9									7pm-10.30pm									
Gordon Koang	INPEX Sunset Stage	35																		
Grace Cummings	Darwin Railway Club	36		8pm																8.45pm
Haiku Hands	INPEX Sunset Stage	30			9pm															
Hand to Earth	INPEX Sunset Stage	46																		7pm
JessB	INPEX Sunset Stage	32								9pm										
Jess Locke	Darwin Railway Club	37										8pm								
King Stingray	INPEX Sunset Stage	35																		
Kolsen Bamboo Bandstand FREE	Festival Park	41		6.30pm & 8pm	6.30pm & 8pm	6.30pm & 8pm	6pm		6.30pm & 8pm	6.30pm & 8pm	6.30pm & 8pm	6.30pm & 8pm	6.30pm & 8pm		6.30pm & 8pm	6.30pm & 8pm	6.30pm & 8pm	6.30pm & 8pm	7pm	6.30pm & 8pm
Loop the Loop	Darwin Entertainment Centre	48																		
Miesha	INPEX Sunset Stage	30		9pm																
Mista Monk	Darwin Railway Club	37									8pm									
Montaigne	INPEX Sunset Stage	32									9pm									
National Indigenous Music Awards	Darwin Amphitheatre	8				7pm														
Ngaiire	INPEX Sunset Stage	34																		
Radiohead for Solo Piano	Darwin Entertainment Centre	48							7.30pm									9pm		
Rainbow Chan	INPEX Sunset Stage	33																		
Red Desert, Endless Sky: Songs from the Centre	INPEX Sunset Stage	31					9pm													
Slowmango	Darwin Railway Club	36			8pm															
Wanh! Journey to Arnhem	INPEX Sunset Stage	33										9pm								
OPERA																				
Carmen	Darwin Entertainment Centre	47		7.30pm	1.30pm															
SPECIAL EVENTS																				
10 Minute Dance Parties FREE	Festival Park	39																		
ABC Radio Darwin's Happy Hour FREE	Kolsen Bamboo Bandstand	55								6pm-8pm	5pm-8pm	5pm-8pm	5pm-8pm							
Bungul FREE	Darwin Amphitheatre	4	7.30pm							4pm										
Fly Me Up To Where You Are FREE	Darwin Waterfront	12																		
A Smack of Jellyfish FREE	Festival Park	38																		
Truthmachine	Supreme Court of the Northern Territory	17																		
Welcome to Country FREE	Festival Park	41		5.30pm																
THEATRE																				
Daddy	Brown's Mart Theatre	14		5.45pm	1pm & 5.45pm	5.45pm														
Heart is a Wasteland	Brown's Mart Theatre	16																		
The Hypotheticals	Happy Yess	16																		
I've Been Meaning To Ask You	Darwin Entertainment Centre	13		7pm	2pm & 7pm	4pm		5.45pm	5.45pm	5.45pm	5.45pm	1pm & 5.45pm	1pm & 5.45pm							
Waterloo	Brown's Mart Theatre	14																		
We All Know What's Happening	Darwin Entertainment Centre	15									6.30pm	2.30pm & 6.30pm	2.30pm					6pm	6pm	1pm & 6pm
You're Safe Til 2024: Deep History	Happy Yess	17																		
WORDS & IDEAS																				
Artists In Conversation with CDU	Various venues	18																		
SPUN: After Dark	INPEX Sunset Stage	18						7pm												
VISUAL ARTS - ALL FREE																				
15th Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair	Darwin Convention Centre	7																		
Carbiene McDonald	Outstation Gallery	51																		
The Connection Curve	UNTITLED Gallery + Studio	52																		
DVA Exhibitions	Darwin Visual Arts	53																		
Maru Munu Piranpa (Black and White)	Paul Johnstone Gallery	51																		
Murrjiny	Northern Centre for Contemporary Art	52																		
Pantutjara	Outstation Gallery	51																		
Patsy Mudgebell	Paul Johnstone Gallery	51																		
Salon des Refusés	CDU Art Gallery	50																		
Telstra NATSIAA	MAGNT	6		6pm																
THEN AND NOW	Air Raid Arcade	53																		
Transforming the INPEX Sunset Stage	INPEX Sunset Stage	52																		
Waltja Tjuta: Family	Tactile Arts	50																		
Yirrinkiripwoja Jilamara	DoubleTree by Hilton	53																		



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