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THE 37TH ARTHUAL

ILLAYYARRA FOLK FESTIYAL

19-21 JAN 2024



BULLI SHOWGROUND WOLLONGONG, NSW

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WELCOME TO THE ILLAWARRA FOLK FESTIVAL

Welcome to Country

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Wodi Wodi & Dharawal people. We acknowledge & pay our respect to the Elders, past, & present, for they hold the knowledge & wisdom, traditions of Australia. Aboriginal people of this land have performed age old customs of ceremonies, of story sharing, dance, music, & celebration, that are an integral part of the Dreaming. In the Spirit of Harmony, we look forward to, us all living, & practicing respect, responsibility, resilience & reciprocity.

Dr. Jodi Edwards NATION: Walbanja Yuin, with Dharawal Kinship ties

2024 Celebration

Set in the spectacular northern Illawarra Escarpment in Bulli Showground the festival has 8 onsite venues & is family friendly. With superb music from 96 international, national & local artists there's also a colourful array of international food stalls, craft stalls & the festival bar. You can also camp onsite, plenty of car parking & Bulli train station is a short walk away. Entry is with a festival pass & wristband only. A Season Pass allows entry to all events from Friday to Sunday & saves \$35 on individual day purchases. Children under 12 will be admitted free with a paying parent.

Presidents Fiddress

Well we are back again. We proved last year that we could restore our festival, albeit on a smaller scale & the infusion of some new blood & it worked. In fact we had to turn people away on the Saturday. So we have slightly enlarged it this year but have once again attracted a great field of Overseas, Australia Wide & local performers.

Whatever changes there has been over the 37 years, we remain true to our original ideals of being a folk festival not just a music festival. We are about participation- When you walk through the gates you are not just a punter, patron or audience, you are a participant. The sessions, the blackboards, the walk up poetry, the dances, the Woolly Yarn Spinning are all part of the 'Sizzle' not the sausage.

So it is a big welcome back to our regulars, our regular performers & of course our performers who are experiencing the IFF for the first time-1'm sure it won't be the last.

There are so many to Thank that I would need a book the size of War & Peace to fit them all in, but I'm sure you will find them in a list of the organising committee. So it is a big thankyou to ALL our volunteers. But I would like to especially thank Bruce & Robyn Jackson who have been the glue that has held the festival together for many of our 37 years.

Like many of us they have decided to retire. They are life members of the Illawarra Folk Club (IFC) which is the controlling body of the festival as well as playing significant roles in our other Festival, Folk By the Sea & our regular Illawarra Folk Club concerts at the Wollongong Diggers Club & Thirroul Railways Heritage Hall.

We are always looking for new volunteers so let us know if you feel like filling a few days/weeks/months during the year in keeping our culture alive. So have a great festival, happy folking & let's look forward to still be alive & folking in 2025!

Russell Hannah (Bigruss) OAM President Illawarra Folk Club inc.

From the Director

Illawarra Folk Festival is back for its 37th year! It has been one lap around the sun & a thousand chords played across this temperamental country for us to be here under the escarpment at Bulli Showground. What a year it has been! We have met, organised, wrote, called, talked & communicated with over 400 volunteers to be able to bring you one of our most versatile & exciting lineups to date.

This will be my 2nd year as Festival Director for the Illawarra Folk Festival meaning I'm a little bit more accustomed to how this all works. One of my guiding principles in accepting this role is trying to understand & connect with each & every person that has a part to play. By doing so we make everyone feel welcome, heard & accepted. The wisdom of the old guard is powered by the energy of those that are still learning. That is what Folk Music means to me. When you walk through the gates listen for that guiding voice coming across the PA; for it might just be big Russ himself telling a tale from time you never knew existed! Also (& most importantly) just have a damn good time!

Cody Munro Moore

Buy tickets online from: www.illawarrafolkfestival.com. au or call 1300 887 034 and purchase with a credit card.

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Performer Applications open in April 2024 & close 30 May 2024.



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Kim Rudner, John Burgess

Festival Prices		
ADVANCE SEASON (3 day) PASS (by 18 Jan 2024) SAVE \$20	\$155	
SEASON (3 day) ADULT PASS AT GATE	\$175	
SEASON (3 day) YOUTH PASS (12-17yrs) w/ paying parent	\$60	
FOLK SCHOOL	\$30 PER SESSION	\$65 ALL DAY
WEEKEND PASS (Saturday & Sunday)	Adult \$150	Youth \$60
FRIDAY FROM 4PM	Adult \$60	Youth \$20
SATURDAY FULL DAY	Adult \$80	Youth \$35
SATURDAY EVENING (from 6pm)	Adult \$60	Youth \$25
SUNDAY FULL DAY	Adult \$70	Youth \$35

From the Artistic Directtors

Firstly, I want to express my gratitude to Kay Proudlove for stepping into the significant role of Artistic Director. Assuming such a responsibility is no small feat, & Kay has excelled in coordinating the artists. A special acknowledgement goes to Ben Davies who undertook the equally impressive task of programming in our new Festival Pro management system & successfully navigating his way out of it! This has been a first-time experience for all of us.

I extend my thanks to Amber-Rose Layton, our new souvenir program graphic designer, for breathing new life into our visual identity. Special recognition goes to Luke Player for injecting a sense of fun into our imagery & contributing to the rebranding of our overall look.

As I pass the torch, I am delighted to entrust the leadership to the capable hands of Cody Munro Moore, our new Festival Director & the dynamic team. I am confident that under their guidance, the Illawarra Folk Festival will continue to embody the ethos & vision that has defined it. Anticipating a gradual transition as I step into the background after 28 years as Artistic Director, I am eager to watch the festival evolve with this younger & vibrant team.

David De Santi

Welcome to our festival! As many of you return time & again, we hope you feel that Illawarra Folk Festival is also yours & that you

have a sense of homecoming being here with us. We have grown a little from last year, bringing back the Tivoli On Track venue for dancing & giving the longstanding Global Green stage more space to stretch its legs, while also adding 2 new venues, the Session Tent & The Bush Tipi. Why, you say? Because we booked a tonne of music for you. We couldn't help ourselves.

This year's program is vibrant, diverse & exciting, with many acts appearing at the festival for the very first time as well as some familiar favorites who have returned. Alongside their concerts, our collaborative special events throughout the festival bring these artists together in a way that only a festival can - a melting pot from around the world right here on our stages (& then often in the bar later on).

It has been a pleasure to be a part of this festival family for the last 20 years & the last 2 as coartistic director have taught me a lot about the collaborative nature of this folk festival, which includes you, our audience. We're beyond excited to invite you into this world of artistic inspiration, vision, colour, creativity, harmony & community spirit. So go on, treat yourself. Get in it!

Kay Proudlove

Programming & Production

It's great to be back & building on the success of our 2023 festival. I feel as a team we rebounded & restructured well post Covid to bring the best festival that we could last year. But there's always room for improvement. This year we have taken on constructive feedback from our festival attendees & I'm proud to say that this year 75% of our venues are accessible, with added zones for wheel chairs at our main concert venues. In the programming stages I've also taken special care to make sure at some stage over the festival every single performer has a ground level performance!

change Another we implementing for this year's festival is the access point to the Restaurant & Grandstand Bar venues. Access to these venues will ONLY be from the southern door (next to the session tent venue) in an effort to minimise sound bleed & disruption to the intimate concerts that take place in these venues. It's a short detour but please understand we've made this change to enhance your listening experience & the wellbeing of our prised performers. I hope you enjoy your time at our festival.

Ben Davies Vice President Illawarra Folk Club Inc.

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Festival Office

The main office is situated at the southern entry to the Bulli Showground complex. This is where you purchase passes or exchange your pre-purchased pass voucher for a wristband. Please wear it at all times! Next to the Festival Office is the registration area for artists, volunteers, sponsors & media. You may park your car temporarily near the office while you get your wristband but then you must park your vehicle in the designated parking areas inside the showground. The camping office is also located in the Festival Office.

Festival Office Hours

Thursday 18/1/24: 10am - 6pm Friday 19/1/24: 10am - 8pm Saturday 20/1/24: 8am - 8pm Sunday 21/1/24: 8am - 4pm

Festival Volunteers

The Folk Festival is run entirely with volunteers. Volunteers work 12 hours across the festival in return for a Festival Season Pass, 2 free drinks from Festival Bar plus more. Applications to volunteer open around October each year via the festival website:

www.illawarrafolkfestival.com.au

Festival Shop

Flat Bar (Betting Ring) area, under the grandstand. Artist's & festival merchandise such as souvenirs, recordings, festival T-shirts, cookbooks, clothing & publications are available.

Camping rules & information

There is limited camping available onsite. Access to the camping grounds is from 10am Friday morning & you will not be able to camp before then. You can only register for camping once the Festival

Office is open. Your festival wristband must be worn at all times. A camping permit will be issued at the Festival Office.

- Campers must display camping permit on car dashboard so it is visible at all times.
- Children & youth (U18) who are camping must be with a responsible camping parent.
- Entry to campsite area is for festival ticketed campers only.
- Do not light any campfires.
- There is to be a minimum of 2.5 metres between tents. Only one vehicle is able to be parked within the campsite area. Additional vehicles will need to be parked in the nominated car parking areas.
- Bins are marked compostable, recycling, landfill & blue ones for Vinnie's can collection charity
- Do not leave any valuables in cars or tents.
- Be courteous of your neighbours at night & keep noise to a minimum. All late night sessions should be inside the Grandstand Bar and Restaurant.
- Unruly behaviour will not be tolerated & may result in your removal from the site.
- 24 hour security is on hand to ensure the safety & amenity of all campers.

Showers

There are limited hot-water showers so please conserve water & keep your showers short. There are hot showers for women & men under the grandstand & some more in the small toilet block near the entry to the main festival site.

Dance zones have been created at the sides of the stages. Look for the signs & markings & feel to free to dance without blocking the view of seated patrons. Please do not relocate positioned chairs from venues.

Lost & Found

All lost & found items including persons should be reported to the Festival Office.

Children & Youth

The festival aims to provide a safe environment for families. Parents & guardians are responsible for their children (U18) at all times. The Bush Tipi venue has shows for children & a play area. Parents are asked to stay with their children.

BYO Bottle

The festival is striving to be a Disposal Water Bottle Free event. Bring & use your refillable water bottle or get one from the Festival Shop.

Festival Bar -Slacky Flat Bar

The festival organises its own bars with volunteers & the proceeds help keep festival pass prices down. Please patronise it but do drink sensibly. The bar is conducted strictly according to licensing regulations, ie underage & intoxicated persons will not be served & no alcohol is to be taken inside or outside licensed areas. There are selections of fine beer & cider, wine & soft drinks available.



Late-Night Partying

A noise curfew will apply to all camping areas after 10pm. Anyone wishing to party on can go to the Grandstand Bar area inside the Grandstand Building. Please keep all sessions inside the building. Please be courteous of other campers & festival neighbours.

Visitor Surveys

A survey is being conducted. The information gathered is confidential & is used to improve future festivals & assess the quality & impact of the festival on the community. We sincerely appreciate your assistance by completing them.

Car Parking

There is plenty of free parking inside the showground. Please avoid parking in the surrounding streets.

Transport

- Taxi 02 4254 2111
- Train times & fares 131 500
- Bus Services Dion
 Coachlines 02 4228 9855
- QANTAS 131 313
- VIRGIN 136 789
- JETSTAR 131 538
- Link (from Wollongong Regional Airport) 1300 851 269

Useful Numbers

- Wollongong Visitor Information Centre: 02 4267 5910
- Wollongong Hospital 02 4222 5000
- Radio Doctor 02 4228 5522

Terms & Conditions Injury at Event Nwareness

- The Illawarra Folk Club (IFC) is the promoter of this recreational event, the Illawarra Folk Festival (IFF). It utilises existing grounds, buildings, stalls, kennels, roadways & pathways, owned or leased from various organisations.
- It does so on a "as is basis" & subject to existing faults (if any), the current condition&stateofrepair,ofthegrounds, buildings, stalls, kennels, roadways &

pathways, so that to the extent permitted by law, IFC disclaims all liability for any injuries or deaths sustained, however caused, during the running of the IFF.

- The IFC has tried to make the IFF an enjoyable & safe experience. Please take care & stay alert at all times you are at the IFF. If you or your minor are injured, immediately ask a volunteer for assistance or directions to a first aid room or contact an emergency service.
- You assume all risks whilst you attend or participate at the IFF, regardless of what activity you are involved in at the IFF.
- By purchasing a ticket, or receiving a ticket as a performer, or as our guest, you acknowledge & accept these terms & conditions in your personal capacity & on behalf of any other member of a band or group you are applying for, & for any accompanying minor. If you purchase tickets for a minor, you are responsible for their behaviour & safety whilst at the IFF.

Licence Ejection and cancellation

 The IFC reserves the right, without refund of any amount paid, to refuse admission to, or eject, any person whose conduct the IFC, their agents, employees or contractors deems to be disorderly, who uses vulgar or abusive

language or who otherwise fails to comply with any IFC directions concerning the management of the IFF.

• The IFF is a licensed venue. In accordance with liquor licensing law,

intoxicated persons are not allowed to remain on licensed premises & will be asked to leave.

- No alcohol is permitted to be brought into the licensed area of the IFF.
- Breach of any such terms & conditions will terminate your revocable licence to attend the event without refund or compensation.
- All persons attending the IFF must hold a valid ticket & display a valid wristband.
- The applicable law is that of NSW

Limitation of Liability

To the extent permitted by law, the IFC shall not have any liability to you beyond the face value of the ticket purchased, plus any relevant per ticket service charge. The IFC shall not be liable for any loss of enjoyment or wasted expenditure. IFC accepts no responsibility for any personal property loss, damage or breakage howsoever occasioned.

Conditions of Entry

- Your festival wristband must be worn at all times. All children must also have a wristband as well.
- All professional / commercial photographers or film makers must first obtain permission from the Artistic Director.
- No pets allowed on the site, except registered dogs approved by the festival organisers.
- The Illawarra Folk Festival is a smokefree festival.

On Slacky Flat There are 8 years on 'Slacky Flat'

There are 8 venues on 'Slacky Flat'. This area of Bulli was a former mine worker's camp & then the subsequent showground site.

Bush Tipi

Adjacent to the Global Green will be the Bush Tipi where Junkyard Rascals will host a daytime (Saturday/Sunday) play & performance area for kids. The space will be used for blackboard performances on Friday & Saturday evenings.

Global Green

The Global Green stage is a Pavilion tent on the "green". This is our second largest venue for feature acts.

Slacky Flat Bar

A building behind the Grandstand that can seat up to 800 people. It forms part of the Festival Bar area.

Grandstand Resturant

This is upstairs in the Grandstand building & features intimate concerts & late night events.

Grandstand Bar

This is on the ground floor of the Grandstand building & is adjacent to the Slacky Flat Bar. It hosts concerts, workshops, spoken word events & late night sessions.

Tivoli On Track

The trotting track dance hall returns & will host concerts, workshops & dances.

Session Tent

A session tent has been provided to the east of the main pavilion building & will host sessions of all manner of music.

Folk Grand

A venue with a view which utilizes the showground grandstand.

FOLK SCHOOL

Presented by the Illawarra Folk Club Inc, FOLK SCHOOL aims to increase awareness of folk music traditions & provide opportunities for musicians of all ages to build on their skills. 3 concurrent sessions are held every hour between 9am & 4pm Friday 19 January, with renowned tutors including many international artists. The folk school youth traditions showcase provides opportunities for 20 young musicians to collaborate & perform at the festival, BYO instrument (if you have them). Folk school is held at the Northern Illawarra Uniting Church, the beautiful sandstone church opposite the festival grounds on the cnr of Point St & Princes Hwy, Bulli.

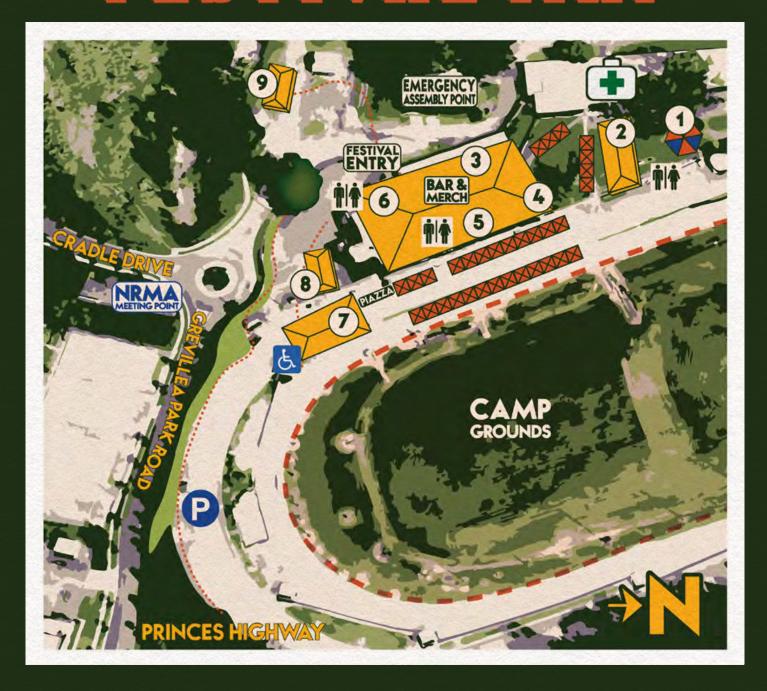
MORE INFORMATION: www.illawarrafolkfestival.com.au/folk-school

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ENTRY \$65 all day OR \$30 per session

	New Hall	Old Hall	Chill Out Room
9am	Beginner Ukelele The Swingaleles	Australian Songs Bush Music Club Inc.	Youth Traditions Collaboration PART 1
10am	Jug & Skiffle Music Session	Fiddle	Autoharp
	Rick & Donna Nestler	Roo Geddes & Dallahan	Wendy Snook
11am	New Orleans Brass Improv	Rounds	Limberjack History & Performance
	Ken Field	Singongo	Russell Churcher
12pm	DADGAD Guitar Jack Badcock & Dallahan	Song Writers Forum Winter Wilson	Introduction to Chopping Apolline
1pm	Open Tune / Slide Guitar Brendan Gallagher	Scottish Fiddle James Gastineau-Hills	Poetry Writing Workshop Robyn Sykes
2pm	Italian Tunes Session	Eastern European Fiddling	Banjo
	David De Santi	Vardos	Ciaran Ryan & Dallahan
3pm	Australian Tunes	Foot Percussion Workshop	Celtic Piano Accordion
	Mickey & Michelle	Tim Scanlan & Mana Okubo	Andrew Waite & Dallahan
4pm	Harmony Singing	Exploration of Rhythm	Youth Traditions Collaboration
	Winter Wilson	Gusto Gusto	PART 2

FESTIVAL MAP



- **1** BUSH TIPI
- **2** GLOBAL GREEN
- SLACKY FLAT BAR
- **6** FOLK GRAND
- **6** RESTAURANT
- **G** GRANDSTAND BAR
- **7** TIVOILI ON TRACK
- **3** SESSION TENT

- FESTIVAL OFFICE
- FOOD & CRAFT STALLS
- FIRST AID
- TOILETS
- **DISABLED PARKING**
- P FESTIVAL PARKING
- --- CAMPING AREA
- →N NORTH POINT

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Spoken Word & Funny Songs ARVO POETS

FRI 4PM-5:30PM Grandstand Bar SAT 5:15PM-6PM – Folk Grand

MORNING POETS

SAT 8AM-9AM Grandstand Bar SUN 8AM-9:30AM Grandstand Bar

POETIC POLITICS

With Russell Hannah SAT 12:15PM-1:15PM Grandstand Bar

BYO WOOLLY YARNS

With Russell Hannah SAT 2PM-3PM Session Tent

ENOUGH SAID POETS

Host Adara Enthaler SAT 8:30PM-9:30PM Restaurant

JOHN DENGATE PARODY CUP

SUN 9:30AM-10:15AM Grandstand Bar

FOLKIN' FUNNY SONGS

SUN 11:30AM-12:15PM Grandstand Bar

POETS BRAWL

SUN 12:30PM-1:15PM Grandstand Bar

Childrens Performances at the Bush Tipi

JUNKYARD RASCALS

play and create time SAT & SUN 9AM-5PM

GOBSMACKED

SAT 9AM-9:30AM SUN 1:30PM-2PM

SUPER KENNY &

MAGNIFICENT MANDA

SAT 10:30AM-11AM SUN 3PM-3:30PM

MALLY MOO'S MUSIC 4 MINIS

SAT 1:30PM-2PM SUN 9AM-9:30AM

ILLAWARRA NATURE STORY SONGS

SAT 3PM-3:30PM SUN 10:30AM-11AM

MAYPOLE WITH MOLLY

SAT 4:30PM-5PM SUN 12PM-12:30PM

GEOFFREY W GRAHAM

It Rocks, It's Cool, it's P-P-Poetry SUN 4:30PM-5PM

Participatory Events WELCOME TO COUNTRY

With Dr Jodi Edwards FRI 6:45PM-7PM Slacky Flat Bar

FESTIVAL CLUB TRISCO

Host Sam De Santi with a swag of Celtic musicians FRI 11:30PM - 12:30AM Restaurant

YOUTH TRADITION SHOWCASE

SAT 9AM-10:15AM Slacky Flat Bar

MIDDAY AMERICANA SHOWCASE

SAT 10:30AM-12PM Slacky Flat Bar

KOORI VOICES

With Stiff Gins, Jessie Lloyd, Pirritu, Mumung, host Dr Jodi Edwards SAT 12PM-1:30PM Global Green

SONGWRITERS IN THE ROUND

Host Kay Proudlove SAT 12:15PM-1:30PM Restaurant

FOLK FIDDLE FRENZY

With Dallahan, Apolline, Vardos, Mickey & Michelle, Sydney Scottish Fiddlers, Ryan Young, host Sam De Santi SAT 1:45PM-3:15PM Restaurant

GORDON LIGHTFOOT TRIBUTE

SAT 4:30PM-5:15PM Grandstand Bar

HELLO SUNDAY MORNING

With Hannah Pelka-Caven, Fiona Ross SUN 8AM-9AM Bush Tipi

AMERICANA SHOWCASE AND SONGS OF PEACE

With Maurie Mulheron & friends SUN 1:30PM-3PM Grandstand Bar

FESTIVAL FINALE CONCERT AND PARADE

Hosts Rheinberger & Wilson SUN 6:30PM Slacky Flat Bar



All Performances

1140 STREET BAND SUN 1PM Session Tent

ALANA WILKINSON FRI 8.30PM Slacky Flat Bar SAT 3.30PM Slacky Flat Bar SUN 5PM Global Green

AMAIDÍ
FRI 8.15PM Tivoli on Track
SAT 6PM Restaurant
SUN 12.15PM Celtic Session | Session Tent
SUN 4.30PM Slacky Flat Bar

ANDIE FRI 4.30PM Tivoli on Track SAT 11.30AM Folk Grand SUN 4.30PM Grandstand Bar

ANDY IRVINE
FRI 7.30PM Global Green
SAT 1.30PM Slacky Flat Bar
SUN 3.15PM Restaurant

APOLLINE
FRI 12PM Intro to chopping | Folk School
SAT 10.30PM Grandstand Bar
SUN 9AM Restaurant
SUN 11AM Celtic Session | Session Tent

BRENDAN GALLAGHER FRI 1PM Folk School SAT 11AM Global Green SUN 1.15PM Restaurant

BUSH MUSIC CLUB INC FRI 9AM Folk School SAT 9AM Session Tent SUN 9:30AM Session Tent SUN 1.15PM Bush Dance | Tivoli on Track

CAREFREE ROAD BAND SAT 9.30AM Global Green

CHARM OF FINCHES SAT 5PM Global Green SUN 11.15AM Folk Grand

CIRCUS WOW SAT 1.30PM Piazza SUN 12PM Piazza

COMBINED UNION CHOIRS SUN 3.15PM Grandstand Bar

COOMBA ALL-STARS SAT 8.30PM Tivoli on Track SUN 5.15PM Restaurant

CURIOUS RENDITION ORCHESTRA SAT 11.30AM Session Tent

CIGANY WEAVER SUN 3PM Slacky Flat Bar

DALLAHAN
FRI 10AM Fiddle | Folk School
FRI 12PM DADGAD guitar | Folk School
FRI 2PM Banjo | Folk School
FRI 3PM Celtic accordion | Folk School
FRI 10.30PM Restaurant
SAT 6PM Slacky Flat Bar
SUN 1.30PM Slacky Flat Bar

DARREN HANLON SAT 4.30PM Slacky Flat Bar SUN 12PM Slacky Flat Bar

ENDA KENNY FRI 4.30PM Folk Grand SAT 12.15PM Slacky Flat Bar

ENOUGH SAID POETS SAT 8.30PM Late Night Poetry | Restaurant

FIDDLEDANCE BAND SAT 11AM Tivoli on Track

FIONA ROSS FRI 9.45PM Grandstand Bar SAT 8AM Crystal Sound | Bush Tipi SAT 6.45PM Folk Grand SUN 11AM Tivoli on Track

GEOFFREY W GRAHAM FRI 4PM Arvo Poets | Grandstand Bar SAT 9.15AM Grandstand Bar SUN 8AM Morning Poets | Grandstand Bar SUN 12.30PM Poets Brawl | Grandstand Bar SUN 4.30PM Bush Tipi

GEORGE & GEORGIA - FOR AMERICANA SHOWCASE + GEE'D UP! FRI 8.30PM Restaurant SAT 10.30AM Slacky Flat Bar SUN 1.30PM Grandstand Bar SAT 12.45PM Folk Grand

GLEN GARDNER - FOR AMERICANA SHOWCASE + GEE'D UP! FRI 8.30PM Restaurant SAT 10.30AM Slacky Flat Bar SUN 1.30PM Grandstand Bar SAT 12.45PM Folk Grand

GOBSMACKED! SAT 9AM Bush Tipi SUN 1.30PM Bush Tipi

GOOD TUNES
FRI 2PM Italian Tunes Folk School
SAT 10.15AM Session Tent
SAT 6.15PM Bush Dance | Tivoli on Track
SUN 1.45PM Italian Tunes | Session Tent

GUSTO GUSTO FRI 4PM Clapping | Folk School FRI 9PM Global Green SAT 9PM Slacky Flat Bar SUN 4.15PM Restaurant

HANDSOME YOUNG STRANGERS

STRANGERS SAT 10.30PM Slacky Flat Bar

HANNAH PELKA-CAVEN FRI 11:45PM Club Trisco | Restaurant

HAYSTACK MOUNTAIN HERMITS FRI 10.30PM Global Green SAT 9.30PM Global Green SUN 10:30AM Slacky Flat Bar SUN 2.45PM Bluegrass Session Tent

HOT APPLE BANDSAT 11PM Restaurant
SUN 2.30PM Tivoli on Track

JARABI BAND SAT 8PM Global Green SUN 8PM Slacky Flat Bar

JESSIE LLOYD FRI 9.15PM Folk Grand SAT 12PM Koori Voices | Global Green SAT 8.30PM Grandstand Bar SUN 11AM Global Green

JORDAN IRELAND & PURPLE AWEKESTRA SAT 7.15PM Tivoli on Track

WE MEED YOU

To make the Illawarra Folk Festival beat on!

The Illawarra Folk Festival is in its 37th year... It's a community based (non-profit) & organised effort arranged by the Illawarra Folk Club. Our festival is loved in so many ways by artists, patrons & volunteers. It takes a huge amount of volunteer effort to make it happen. If you feel enthused by the festival and its survival you might like to become part of the organising committee. Send an email with your details and interest to volunteer@illawarrafolkfestival.com.au Planning starts in March 2024. General volunteer registration will be open from October 2024.



JUNKYARD RASCALS SAT 9AM to 5PM Bush Tipi SUN 9AM to 5PM Bush Tipi

KAY PROUDLOVE FRI 6PM Folk Grand SAT 6.30PM Global Green

KEN FIELD'S
HOOT BAND
FRI 11AM Brass improv | Folk School
SAT 5.45PM Session Tent
SUN 9AM Slacky Flat Bar
SUN 6PM Parade to Finale | Bush Tipi

KIAMA SHANTY CLUB FRI 9.45PM Session Tent

LIZZIE FLYNN

& THE RUNAWAY TRAINS
SAT 3.30PM Global Green
SUN 12.15PM Restaurant

MARK BALLESI
& RUSSELL CHURCHER
FRI 11AM Limberjack | Folk School
SAT 4.30PM Grandstand Bar

MARK BISHOP EVANS FOR AMERICANA SHOWCASE 8.30PM Restaurant SAT 10.30AM Slacky Flat Bar SUN 1.30PM Grandstand Bar

MATT JOE GOW & KERRYN FIELDS FRI 5.15PM Slacky Flat Bar SAT 3.45PM Folk Grand SUN 2PM Global Green

MICKEY & MICHELLE FRI 3PM Australian tunes | Folk School SAT 3.30PM Grandstand Bar SUN 10AM Restaurant SUN 11AM Celtic Session Session Tent

NICK RHEINBERGER Friday 4.30PM Restaurant

OLD FOLK Friday 7.15PM Grandstand Bar Saturday 8.15PM Folk Grand

PETER MACE BUSH POET
FRI 4PM Arvo Poets | Grandstand Bar
SAT 8AM Morning Poets | Grandstand Bar
SAT 5.15PM Arvo Poets | Folk Grand
SUN 8AM Morning Poets | Grandstand Bar
SUN 12.30PM Poets Brawl | Grandstand Bar

PIRRITU FRI 4.30PM Global Green SAT 6.30PM Grandstand Bar SUN 5PM Tivoli on Track

RHEINBERGER AND WILSON SAT 9.45PM Restaurant SUN 6.30PM Finale | Slacky Flat Bar

RIK PALIERI
SAT 2.30PM Grandstand Bar
FOR AMERICANA SHOWCASE
FRI 8.30PM Restaurant
SAT 10.30AM Slacky Flat Bar
SUN 1.30PM Grandstand Bar

FRI 5.15PM Slacky Flat Bar
SAT 3.45PM Folk Grand
SUN 2PM Global Green

MAURIE MULHERON
SAT 9AM Restaurant
SUN 2.15PM Songs of Peace | Grandstand Bar
SUN 2.30PM Poets Brawl | Grandstand Bar
SUN 12.30PM Poets Brawl | Grandstand Bar
SUN 12.45PM Tivoli on Track

RUSSELL HANNAH

HANNAH
FRI 4PM Arvo Poets | Grandstand Bar
SAT 8AM Morning Poets Grandstand Bar
SAT 2PM Woolly Yarns | Session Tent
SAT 5.15PM Arvo Poets | Folk Grand
SUN 8AM Morning Poets | Grandstand Bar
SUN 12.30PM Poets Brawl | Grandstand Bar

RYAN YOUNG FRI 7PM Tivoli on Track SAT 7.15PM Restaurant SUN 12.30PM Global Green

SAPLINGS SAT 7PM Session Tent SUN 12PM Session Tent

SHALANI SAT 1.30PM Grandstand Bar

SHANTIES AND WORKSONGS SAT 3.15PM Session Tent

SINGONGO FRI 11AM Rounds Singing | Folk School SAT 10AM Folk Grand

SOUL FLAMENCO ILLAWARRA

SAT 9.15AM Tivoli on Track

STEAMPUNK VAGABONDS SUN 10.15AM Tivoli on Track SUN 12.45PM Tivoli on Track



STONYBROKE
FRI 4PM Arvo Poets | Grandstand Bar
SAT 8AM Morning Poets Grandstand Bar
SAT 5.15PM Arvo Poets | Folk Grand
SUN 8AM Morning Poets | Grandstand Bar
SUN 12.30PM Poets Brawl | Grandstand Bar

STORY BEATSSUN 9.15AM Tivoli on Track

SUE FERRERS TRIO FRI 4PM Slacky Flat Bar SAT 2.15PM Folk Grand SUN 2.15PM Restaurant

SWEET TONY
FOR AMERICANA SHOWCASE
FRI 8.30PM Restaurant
SAT 10.30AM Slacky Flat Bar
SUN 1.30PM Grandstand Bar

SYDNEY SCOTTISH FIDDLERS
FRI 1PM Scottish fiddle | Folk School
SAT 5.15PM Tivoli on Track
SAT 4.30PM Session Tent
SUN 5:30PM Session Tent
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TED EGAN FRI 6PM Global Green SAT 10AM Restaurant SUN 11AMRestaurant

THE ALUM RIDGE BOYS & ASHI FF

FRI 10PM Slacky Flat Bar FRI 9AM Beginner ukulele | Folk School SAT 1.45PM Old Time Dance | Tivoli on Track FRI 4.30PM Session Tent SUN 12PM Tivoli on Track THE WATER RUNNERS SUN 3PM Bluegrass | Session Tent SAT 7.30PM Slacky Flat Bar

THE CON ARTISTS
FRI 5.45PM Session Tent
SUN 6PM Parade to Finale Bush Tipi FRI 5.45PM Restaurant

THE DIRTY
STAY OUT SKIFFLERS
FRI 10AM Jug & skiffle music| Folk School
SUN 9.30AM Global Green
FOR AMERICANA SHOWCASE
FRI 8.30PM Restaurant
SAT 10.30AM Slacky Flat Bar
SUN 1.30PM Grandstand Bar

THE GRANDKIDS SAT 11.15AM Grandstand Bar

THE INADEQUATES
FRI 7.45PM Folk Grand
SAT 4.15PM Tivoli on Track
SUN 3PM Bluegrass Session Tent
SUN 5.30PM Grandstand Bar

THE MIDNIGHT FEAST SAT 9.45PM Tivoli on Track

SAT 10.15AM Grandstand Bar

THE SHIELD MAIDENS

FRI 5.45PM Tivoli on Track SUN 12.45PM Folk Grand

THE WATER RUNNERS SAT 7.30PM Slacky Flat Bar SUN 2.15PM Folk Grand

TIM SCANLAN & MANA OKUBO FRI 3PM Foot Percussion | Folk School FRI 7.15PM Restaurant SAT 9.30PM Grandstand Bar SUN 3.45PM Tivoli on Track

TRIBAL JEWELS
DANCE CO
SAT 10.15AM Tivoli on Track
SAT 3PM Tivoli on Track

TUCK SHOP LADIES

FRI 8.30PM Grandstand Bar SAT 3PM Slacky Flat Bar SUN 3.45PM Folk Grand

VARDOS FRI 2PM Eastern European Fiddle | Folk School FRI 9.30PM Tivoli on Track SAT 5.30PM Grandstand Bar SUN 3.30PM Global Green

WE MAVERICKS SAT 2PM Global Green SUN 5.15PM Folk Grand

WENDY SNOOK
FRI 10AM Autoharp | Folk School
FOR AMERICANA SHOWCASE
FRI 8.30PM Restaurant
SAT 10.30AM Slacky Flat Bar
SUN 1.30PM Grandstand Bar
Sunday 4.15PM Session Tent

WINTER WILSON
FRI 12PM Songwriters forum | Folk School
FRI 4PM Harmony Singing | Folk School
FRI 5.45PM Grandstand Bar
SAT 11.15AM Restaurant
SUN 8.30AM Folk Grand





Folk by the Sea is an intimate folk festival style event featuring the sounds of folk, world, roots, Celtic and bluegrass music in the picturesque seaside town of Kiama, famous for its blowhole.



FRIDAY 19th of January 2024

	Bush Tipi	Global Green	Slacky Flat Bar	Folk Grand
4:00PM			Sue Ferrers Trio	
5:00PM ⁻		Pirritu	4:00PM-5:00PM	Enda Kenny
0.001741		4:30PM-5:30PM	Matt Joe Gow	4:30PM-5:30PM
6:00PM	Blackboard 5:30PM-6:00PM	Ted Egan	& Kerryn Fields 5:15PM-6:15PM	Kay Proudlove &
		6:00PM-6:45 PM		James Van Cooper 6:00PM-6:45 PM
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7:00PM	Blackboard 7:00PM-7:30PM		Stiff Gins 7:00PM-8:00PM	
		Andy Irvine	7.001711 0.001711	
8:00PM		7:30PM-8:30PM		The Inadequates 7:45PM-8:30PM
9:00PM	Blackboard 8:30PM-9:00PM		Alana Wilkinson	
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		9:00PM-10:00PM		9:15PM-10:00PM
10:00PM			Alum Ridge	
		Haystack	Boys & Ashlee 10:00PM-11:00PM	
11:00PM		Mountain Hermits 10:30PM-11:30PM		
12:00PM				Piazza Joak Morris
				PM-9:00PM



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Restaurant	Grandstand Bar	Tivoli on Track	Session Tent	4:00PM
	Arvo Poets with			
Nick Rheinberger 4:30PM-5:30PM	Stonybroke 4:00PM-5:30PM	Andie 4:30PM-5:15PM	Swingaleles 4:30PM-5:30PM	5:00PM
Tia Wilson 5:45PM-6:45PM	Winter Wilson 5:45PM-6:45PM	The Sheild Maidens & The Celt 5:45PM-6:45PM	The Con Artists 5:45PM-6:45PM	6:00PM
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Tim Scanlon & Mana Okubo 7:15PM-8:15PM	Old Folk 7:15PM-8:15PM	Ryan Young 7:00PM-8:00PM	Bluegrass Old Time Session 7:00PM-8:00PM	7:00PM
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		Amaidi	Bush Music Club	
Americana Showcase	Tuck Shop Ladies 8:30PM-9:30PM	8:15PM-9:15PM	8:15PM-9:15PM	9:00PM
8:30PM-10:00PM				
	Fiona Ross 9:45PM-10:45PM	Vardos 9:30PM-10:30PM	Kiama Shanty Club 9:30PM-10:30PM	10:00PM
Dallahan				
10:15PM-11:15PM Festival Club Trisco! Hosted by	Charm of Finches 11:00PM-12:00AM			11:00PM
Sam De Santi 11:30PM-12:30AM				12:00PM

SATURDAY 20th of January 2024

	Bush Tipi	Global Green	Slacky Flat Bar	Folk Grand
8:00AM	Sound Journey			
9:00AM	8:00AM-9:00AM Gobsmacked 9:00AM-9:30AM		Youth Traditions Showcase	
10:00AM	ı	Carefree Road Band Simon & Garfunkel Tribute 9:30AM-10:30AM	9:00AM-10:15AM	Singongo
11:00AM	Super Kenny & Magnificent Manda 10:30AM-11:00AM	Brendan Gallegher 11:00AM-11:45AM	Americana Showcase 10:30AM-12:00PM	10:00AM-10:45AM Andie
12:00PM		Koori Voices	Foda Vanny	11:30AM-12:15PM
1:00PM		Hosted by Dr Jodi Edwards 12:00PM-1:30PM	Enda Kenny 12:15PM-1:00PM	Gee'd Up! Glen vs George & Georgia 12:45PM-1:30PM
2:00PM	Mally Moo's Music 4 Mini's 1:30PM-2:00PM	We Mavericks	Andy Irvine 1:30PM-2:30PM	Sue Ferrers Trio
3:00PM	Illawarra Nature Story Songs 3:00PM-3:30PM	2:00PM-3:00PM	Tuck Shop Ladies	2:15PM-3:00PM
4:00PM		Lizzie Flynn & The Runaway Trains 3:30PM-4:30PM	3:00PM-4:00PM	Matt Joe Gow & Kerryn Fields 3:45PM-4:30PM
5:00PM	Maypole with Molly 4:30PM-5:00PM	Charm of Finches	Darren Hanlon 4:30PM-5:30PM	Arvo Poets
6:00PM	Blackboard 6:00PM-6:30PM	5:00PM-6:00PM	Dallahan	5:15PM-6:00PM
7:00PM		Kay Proudlove 6:30PM-7:30PM	6:00PM-7:00PM	Fiona Ross 6:45PM-7:30PM
8:00PM	Blackboard 7:30PM-8:00PM	Jarabi Band	The Water Runners 7:30PM-8:30PM	Old Folk
9:00PM	Blackboard 9:00PM-9:30PM	8:00PM-9:00PM	Gusto Gusto	8:15PM-9:00PM
10:00PM	7.001741-7.301741	Haystack Mountain Hermits 9:30PM-10:30PM	9:00PM-10:00PM	Tom Lewis 9:45PM-10:30PM
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12:00AM				

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Restaurant	Grandstand Bar	Tivoli on Track	Session Tent	8:00AM
	Morning Poets with Peter Mace 8:00AM-9:00AM	Dru Yoga 8:00AM-9:00AM		0.000
Maurie Mulheron 9:00AM-9:45AM	Geoffrey W Graham On the Edge with Henry Lawson 9:15AM-10:00AM	Soul Flamenco 9:15AM-10:00AM	Australian Songs & Tunes 9:00AM-10:00AM	9:00AM 10:00AM
Ted Egan 10:00AM-11:00AM	The Other Noonans 10:15AM-11:00AM	Tribal Jewels 10:15AM-10:45AM Fiddle Dance Band	Good Tunes 10:15AM-11:15AM	11:00AM
Winter Wilson 11:15AM-12:00PM	The Grandkids 11:15AM-12:00PM	11:00AM-11:45AM Black Joak Morris	Curious Rendition Orchestra 11:30AM-12:30PM	12:00PM
Songwriters In The Round Host Kay Proudlove 12:15PM-1:30PM	Poetic Politics with Big Russ 12:15PM-1:15PM	12:00PM-12:30PM Sydney Scottish Fiddlers 12:45PM-1:30PM		1:00PM
Folk Fiddle Frenzy host Sam De Santi	Shalani 1:30PM-2:15PM	Old Time Dance Southwest Virginia Style 1:45PM-2:45PM	Woolly Yarns	2:00PM
1:45PM-3:15PM	Rik Palleri 2:30PM-3:15PM	Tribal Jewels 3:00PM-3:30PM Black Joak Morris	2:00PM-3:00PM Shanties &	3:00PM
Alana Wilkinson 3:30PM-4:30PM	Mickey & Michelle 3:30PM-4:15PM	3:30PM-4:00PM The Inadequates	Worksongs 3:15PM-4:15PM Sydney Scottish	4:00PM
Alum Ridge Boys & Ashlee 4:45PM-5:45PM	Gordon Lightfoot Tribute 4:30PM-5:15PM Vardos	4:15PM-5:00PM The Morning Star	Fiddlers 4:30PM-5:30PM	5:00PM
Amaidi 6:00PM-7:00PM	5:30PM-6:15PM Pirritu	5:15PM-6:00PM Bush Dance Hosted by Good Tunes	Hoot Jam! 5:45PM-6:45PM	6:00PM
Ryan Young 7:15PM-8:15PM	6:30PM-7:15PM Stiff Gins	6:15PM-7:00PM Jordan Ireland & Purple Awekestra	Saplings 7:00PM-8:00PM	7:00PM
Enough Said	7:30PM-8:15PM	7:15PM-8:15PM	Irish Session	8:00PM
Late Night Poetry 8:30PM-9:30PM	Jessie Lloyd 8:30PM-9:15PM Tim Scanlan	Coomba All-Stars 8:30PM-9:30PM	with Amaidi 8:15PM-9:15PM	9:00PM
Rheinberger & Wilson 9:45PM-10:45PM	& Mana Okubo 9:30PM-10:15PM	The Midnight Feast 9:45PM-10:45PM		10:00PM
Hot Apple Band 11:00PM-12:00AM	Apolline 10:30PM-11:15PM Late Night Sessions	Pio Black Joak Morris 9:30AM-10:00AM	vzza Circus Wow! 1:30PM-2:30PM	11:00PM
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SUNDAY 21st of January 2024

	Bush Tipi	Global Green	Slacky Flat Bar	Folk Grand
8:00AM	Hello Sunday Morning			
9:00AM	8:00AM-9:00AM Mally Moo's Music 4 Mini's 9:00AM-9:30AM		Ken Field's Hoot Jam	Winter Wilson 8:30AM-9:15AM
10:00AM	Mini'\$ 9:00AM-9:30AM	The Dirty Stay Out Skifflers	9:00AM-10:00AM	
	Illawarra Nature Story Songs 10:30AM-11:00AM	9:30AM-10:30AM	Haystack Mountain	Stiff Gins 10:00AM-10:45AM
11:00AM	Songs 10:30AM-11:00AM	Jessie Lloyd	Hermits 10:30AM-11:30AM	Charm of Finches
12:00PM	Maypole with Molly	11:00AM-12:00PM	Darren Hanlon	11:15AM-12:00PM
1:00PM	12:00P/M-12:30P/M	Ryan Young 12:30PM-1:30PM	12:00PM-1:00PM	The Shield Maidens & The Celt
2:00PM	Gobsmacked 1:30PM-2:00PM		Dallahan 4 2004 4 2 2004 4	12:45PM-1:30PM
		Matt Joe Gow & Kerryn Fields 2:00PM-3:00PM	1:30PM-2:30PM	The Water Runners 2:15PM-3:00PM
3:00PM	Super Kenny & Magnificent Manda 3:00PM-3:30PM		Cigány Weaver 3:00PM-4:00PM	
4:00PM		Vardos 3:30PM-4:30PM	3.00F/W-4.00F/W	Tuck Shop Ladies 3:45PM-4:30PM
5:00PM	Geoffrey W Graham - it Rocks, It's Cool, It's P-P-Poetry 4:30PM-5:00PM		Amaidi 4:30PM-5:30PM	
6:00PM		Alana Wilkinson 5:00PM-6:00PM		We Mavericks 5:15PM-6:15PM
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7:00PM	Pia	77a	Finale Concert 6:30PM-7:30PM	
8:00PM	Black Joc 10:45AM	ık Morris	Volunteer Photo 7:30PM-7:45PM	
9:00PM	Circus 12:00PM		Jarabi Band 8:00PM-9:00PM	
9.00F/W	Black Joc 3:00PM-		Club Acoustic-A At the Bar 9:00PM-10:00PM	
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37th Illawarra Folk Festival · Sunday 21 January 2024

Restaurant	Grandstand Bar	Tivoli on Track	Session Tent	8:00AM
	Morning Poet's with Robyn Sykes 8:00AM-9:30AM	Dru Yoga 8:00AM-9:00AM		9:00AM
Apolline 9:00AM-9:45AM Mickey & Michelle	John Dengate Parody Cup 9:30AM-10:15AM	Story Beats 9:15AM-10:00AM	Australian Songs & Tunes 9:30AM-10:30AM	10:00AM
10:00AM-10:45AM	Tom Lewis 10:30AM-11:15AM	Steampunk Vagabonds 10:15AM-10:45AM	9.30AM-10.30AM	11:00AM
Ted Egan 11:00AM-12:00PM	Folkin Funny Songs 11:30AM-12:15PM	Fiona Ross 11:00AM-11:45PM	Celtic Session 11:00AM-12:00PM	12:00PM
Lizzie Flynn & The Run- away Trains 12:15PM-1:00PM	Poets Brawl	Alum Ridge Boys & Ashlee 12:00PM-12:45PM Steampunk Vagabonds	Saplings 12:00PM-1:00PM	
Brendan Gallagher 1:15PM-2:00PM	12:30PM-1:15PM Americana Showcase	Steampunk Vagabonds 12:45PM-1:15PM Bush Dance With Bush Music Club	1140 Street Band 1:00PM-1:30PM	1:00PM
Sue Ferrers Trio	1:30PM-2:15PM Americana Showcase "Sonas of Peace"	1:15PM-2:15PM	Italian Tunes 1:45PM-2:45PM	2:00PM
2:15PM-3:00PM Andy Irvine	with Maurie Mulheron 2:15PM-3:00PM Combined	Hot Apple Band 2:30PM-3:30PM	Old Time	3:00PM
3:15PM-4:00PM	Union Choir 3:15PM-4:15PM	Tim Scanlan & Mana Okubo	& Bluegrass Session 3:00PM-4:00PM	4:00PM
Gusto Gusto 4:15PM-5:00PM	Andie 4:30PM-5:15PM	3:45PM-4:45PM	Americana Final Session 4:15PM-5:15PM	5:00PM
Coomba All-Stars 5:15PM-6:15PM	The Inadequates 5:30PM-6:15PM	Pirritu 5:00PM-6:00PM	Sydney Scottish Fiddlers 5:30PM-6:30PM	6:00PM
				7:00PM





The Swenty Four

1140 STREET BAND (NSW)

1140 are a fun and funky street band. Made up of 15 teenagers who grew up with Con Artists & HONK! Oz & now part of the Community music making scene in Wollongong.



ALANA WILKINSON (QLD)

Melbourne based folk-poppunk-poet Alana Wilkinson continues to emerge as one of the most loved new vartists on the Australian scene. Since 2017 Alana has turned heads with a string of triumphant & live performances showcasing her wit, humour & insightful social commentary.



AMAIDÍ (QLD)

The band's name, Amaidi, means nonsense in Irish Gaelic, reflecting the band's playful, yet respectful approach to their music. They draw inspiration from the rich history of Irish music & infuse it with contemporary elements

to create a unique sound that appeals to both traditional & modern audiences.



ANDIE (NSW)

Standing at 4'11 & half, with steel lungs, infectious laughs & a totally DIY kitted out school bus as a house, Andie is synonymous with her raw lyricism & can-do attitude.



ANDY IRVINE (IRELAND)

ANDY IRVINE is one of the great Irish singers that gets to the very soul of Ireland. He has been hailed as a tradition in himself. As a soloist, Andy fills the role of the archetypal troubadour with a show & a travelling lifestyle that reflects his lifelong influence, Woody Guthrie. His repertoire consists of Irish traditional songs, dexterous Balkan dance tunes & a compelling canon of his own self-penned songs.



APOLLINE (VIC)

Apolline is a lively group of young folkies, equipped with alluring voices, innumerable instruments & an extensive collection of colourful socks. The group views folk music through fresh eyes with footstomping sets, original songs & a dash of sisterly bickering in order to bring a unique experience of genre-bending folk.



BLACK JOAK MORRIS (NSW)

In the dark days of 2004, the Australian Morris dancing scene was capering t'ward a doleful grave. When Lo! Black Joak Morris was born. A wailing infant crying for a small beer, come to revive the old dances & imbue them with vigour & youthfulness. With their distinctive bells & ribbons, they perform at festivals far & wide, drinking beer & spreading cheer.



BRENDAN GALLAGHER (NSW)

Karma County front man & ARIA award winner Brendan Gallagher casts a long shadow in Australian music-over 40 records in as many years, more than half as an artist. Producer of Indigenous luminaries & Oz music icons. Prolific songwriter, author of The Open Tuning Chord Book For Guitar, one off session quitarist for David Bowie.



BUSH MUSIC CLUB INC (NSW)

The Bush Music Club was founded in 1954 to promote & popularise traditional folk songs, dances, music & folklore. Come along & join in celebrating their 70th year of keeping the tradition alive by playing & learning some new tunes from yesteryear. Music notation will be available.



CAREFREE ROAD BAND (NSW)

Carefree Road Band presents the early songs of Simon & Garfunkel. Sing a long to the folk songs which have become part of our musical DNA.



CHARM OF FINCHES (VIC)

Melbourne sisters Charm of Finches deliver seamless blood harmonies - intricate folk-pop that is simultaneously graceful & darkly bewitching. The 2021 Music Victoria Best Folk Act toured UK/ Europe & Canada throughout 22/23



CIRCUS WOW (NSW)

The Bush Music Club was founded in 1954 to promote & popularise traditional folk songs, dances, music & folklore. Come along & join in celebrating our 70th year of keeping the tradition alive by playing & learning some new tunes from yesteryear. Music notation will be available. We will be playing at a comfortable pace to suit most people.



COMBINED UNION CHOIRS (NSW)

The Combined Unions Choir Concert is comprised of members from Illawarra, Sydney, & Newcastle choirs. The Union Choirs engage in protest through music, from peace & anti-nuclear protests to May Day celebrations. Individually they all shine, however, together they bring an even stronger

united front to share the u<mark>nion's values!</mark>



COOMBA ALL-STARS (NSW)

COOMBA ALL-STARS bring the old world sonic architecture & movement of Near East thought & Aryavarta musical philosophies into the stylings of modern culture. Creating sonic landscapes, rich in texture & design they speak with a unique & complex language through the medium of (Persian) Santur, Violin, Saxophone(s), & Flute while the Bass & Drums hold it down in the engine room.



CURIOUS RENDITIO ORCHESTRA (NSW)

The Curious Rendition Orchestra or CROW is an inclusive adult ensemble, playing a variety of repertoire from around the world. CROW has appeared at Coledale Markets, Red Point Artists 'Art on The Grass', Jam n Bread, The Illawarra Folk Festival, Viva La Gong, HONK! Oz Festival of Street Music & the Perisher Peak Music Festival.



CIGÁNY WEAVER (QLD)

Join Cigány Weaver as they celebrate the release of their second album, 'Still Water' with a multidate Australian tour. Fusing the passion of folk music, the precision of classical, & the spontaneity of jazz, they create a rich & vibrant atmosphere for both the heart & mind. Front woman, Jo Davie's soaring vocals & enchanting gentle demeanour combine with the fiery violin, dynamic guitars & driving rhythm section to create a purely acoustic group that effortlessly navigates the musical nexus between intimacy & raucousness. It's easy to see why the group continue to garner rave reviews for every show they play.



DALLAHAN (SCOTLAND & IRELAND)

Forged in Scotland & Ireland's traditional music scene but drawing on the music of the Balkans & North America, Dallahan take their listeners on a journey. Traversing styles & countries of the world, they create their own unique brand of World-folk delivered with stunning virtuosity.



DARREN HANLON (QLD)

After years of touring the far flung corners of the world, Darren Hanlon has earned a sacred place in the hearts of many who cross his path with his idiosyncratic narrative songs & candid storytelling. He has released six albums, carving out a scattershot career on his own terms.



EDNA KENNY (VIC)

Enda Kennyis an Irish-born songwriter who has made his home in Australia since the late 1980's. His thoughtful, descriptive stories of his adopted homeland have struck a chord with festival audiences here & beyond. His songs are always memorable & spiced with plenty of humour.



ENOUGH SAID POETS (NSW)

Enough Said Poetry Slam is the South Coast's only monthly medley of spoken word poetry. Serving up finger-snapworthy poetry on Dharawal land since 2012. Hosted by poet & slam-runner Adara Enthaler, the Enough Said Late Night Poetry will feature talented local emerging poets confiding their intimate, amusing, tragic, sultry secrets through spoken word.



FIDDLEDANCE BAND (NSW)

Fiddledance is an Illawarra-based band, performing various genres of music, which ranges from bush songs through to Irish/ Celtic & Bluegrass. Essentially, a fun band that loves to involve the audience. There could even be a bush dance called!



FIONA ROSS (VIC)

Fiona inherited a love of Scottish music from her dad, & began singing popular Scottish songs from a young age. It was in the 1980s that Fiona truly embraced the Scots song tradition, immersing herself in Edinburgh's vibrant folk scene & serving her apprenticeship in the folk clubs & memorable singing sessions.



GEOFFREY W GRAHAM (VIC)

Poet, muso, actor, comic.... You might see 4 different performers OR you could grab 1 of Geoffrey's acts & see all 4 genres at once. Geoffrey from Eaglehawk in Victoria, country bred, brings you authenticity in the form of Dinkum Oz Entertainment. His emphasis is on the audience which he regards as super special.



GEORGE & GEORGIA (USA)

George & Georgia are a smooth sounding duo from Phoenix, Arizona, USA. Their music covers a broad range of styles including country, folk, blues, jazz, rock, pop. & they enjoy giving the music a personal stamp with their arrangements & harmony. & yes, those are their real names!



GLEN GARDNER (USA)

Glen Gardner is an award-winning singer/songwriter based in Phoenix, USA. Glen performs originals & original arrangements of classic folk-rock. Although Glen performs acoustic these days, he received Gold & Platinum records for his support work on albums with Sevendust, Mudvayne, White Zombie & others.



GOBSMACKED! (NSW)

With Gobsmacked! It's best to expect the unexpected. For kids young & old a Gobsmacked! show can range from soulful Celtic/Hungarian folk tales to Pogues styled songs about messy rooms or running away.



GOOD TUNES (QLD)

David De Santi has been accumulating 'good' tunes for over 30 years & wants to share them!

Be ready for a musical tour around Australia, Italy, Quebec, Scotland, Scandinavia, Spain, France, Ireland, England & beyond! Sheet music available or use your ear to join in.



GUSTO GUSTO (VIC)

Finalists for the 2023 AFMA Artist of the Year, Gusto Gusto is West Preston's best dressed band, playing music to make you dance. A flamboyant seven-piece show with a hefty dose of audience participation & non-stop dance tunes, we play loud, happy music that's guaranteed to fill the dance floor.



HANDSOME YOUNG STRANGERS (NSW)

The Handsome Young Strangers are back with a whole new swag of original tunes to compliment their high energy take on Australian Folk Rock. Come along for a jumping, dancing, rocking set of Colonial Bush Punk Rock.



HANNAH PELKA-CAVEN (VIC)

Hannah is a member of the multi award-winning duo The Raglins. She performs traditional Australian & Celtic folk songs with a modern twist, reinterpreting old Australian ballads. She is a classically trained vocalist & violinist.



HAYSTACK MOUNTAIN HERMITS (QLD)

2023 Australian Folk Music Awards finalists Haystack Mountain Hermits transport you to an acoustic world of sensational blood harmonies, coupled with the band's fine musicianship, leaving you spellbound as they weave traditional favourites & original songs into an unforgettable performance. This family can really sing, & they can really play.



HOT APPLE BAND (NSW)

Bringing 60s/70s folk rock & alt-country into 2023 with a modern twist, So Long is a gorgeous ode to close friends and family who have moved away, with Jack Kinder's silvery vocals matched by Lewis Mosley's soaring lead guitar.



ILLAWARRA NATURE STORY SONGS (NSW)

Illawarra Nature Song Stories brings together local Indigenous musicians, story tellers, music therapists & biologists to create a unique platform for celebrating plants & animals of the Illawarra. The song stories that will be created that brings together storytelling & song creation to explore the flora & fauna that is unique to the Illawarra.



JARABI BAND (VIC)

Mohamed Camara is a Guinean born, Melbourne based percussionist, songwriter & vocalist, writing & recording in both the Malinke & Susu languages of West Africa. Together with wife Anna Camara, they stand at the helm of contemporary afro-jazz ensemble Jarabi Band, a group formed to act as a vehicle for exploring stories of contemporary African & Australian musical aulture, & how these two identities intersect.



JESSIE LLOYD (QLD)

Jessie Lloyd is an Australia Indigenous Songkeeper, singer, social historian & cultural practitioner of Indigenous song. Founder of the award-winning Mission Songs Project, Jessie takes audiences on a profoundly-moving musical journey into the depths & diversity of Australia's Aboriginal culture, history & identity.



DR JODI EDWARDS (NSW)

Dr. Jodi Edwards is a Wallbanja Woman, from the Yuin Nation with Dharawal Nation Kinship ties. Jodi has been in the field of Cultural Education for the past 28 years. She has been involved in many Indigenous research projects of which she has gained hands on & working Cultural Knowledges such as Story Sharing, fish netting, canoe making & possum skin cloaking. Some of which are on display in the Museum of Australia, Sydney.



JORDAN IRELAND & PURPLE AWEKESTRA (NSW)

Jordan Lee Ireland is a multi-instrumentalist songwriter & composer who works & lives on the land of Wodi Wodi people in the Illawarra. He came to prominence with Far North Queensland indie-folk collective *The Middle East* after which he released a rich body of solo material. Musically, Jordan plays with the light & shade between the realms of experimental folk music & spiritual jazz, embracing the mystery of existence & singing from the heart.



JUNKYARD RASCALS (NSW)

Based locally in the beautiful Illawarra, Junkyard Rascals love to PLAY & love to create PLAY spaces where kids of all ages can have fun, explore, grow & discover themselves. Our looseparts junkyard is an ever changing space made up of 100% recycled or 2nd hand items, natural materials & the environment in which we PLAY.



KAY PROUDLOVE (NSW)

Kay is a Wollongong raised musician & songwriter with a remarkably agile, engaging, honest, soul-bearing voice & a wry, dry-ice sense of humour to her work. With a live performance style that is much like being invited into her lounge room, her songs are truly stories set to melody, by turns relatable, funny & heartbreaking. Continuing to tour throughout the indie-folk scene over the last 15 years, Kay has also begun to compose for theatre, writing & performing her original music in shows at Edinburgh Festival & beyond.



KEN FIELD'S HOOT BAND (USA)

The Hoot Band is a pick-up band led by Boston-based saxophonist/composer Ken Field, playing traditional New Orleans second line brass band music, surprising covers, & Ken's original compositions. It is open to all interested brass band musicians. Ken leads the Revolutionary Snake Ensemble. His music is heard on Sesame Street.



KIAMA SHANTY CLUB (NSW)

Kiama Sea Shanty Club was formed after Kiama Folk by the Sea Festival in 2022 by a group of local folksters who love to sing en masse. A rollicking repertoire of traditional & contemporary songs of the sea with maximum crowd participation. Lots of heaving & hauling references mixed with a generous servings of piracy.



LIZZIE FLYNN & THE RUNAWAY TRAINS (QLD)

With a combination of lyrical honesty & charming melodies, Lizzie Flynn writes songs that blend a little satirical storytelling with a lot of joyful emotion. With The Runaway Trains they go off the tracks to play folk that all folk can relate to - from country to Celtic & a few other stations in-between.



MALLY MOO'S MUSIC 4 MINIS (NSW)

Mally Moo presents an interactive show which is fun for all ages. A rock star to 3-5 year olds, kids are having such a good time participating that they don't realise they are learning great stuff at the same time.



MARK BALLESI & RUSSELL CHURCHER (NSW)

Mark Ballesi is a singer-songwriter & multi-instrumentalist who has been involved in the folk tradition for more than 30 years. Russell Churcher's first festival performance was as a lead soloist in

Peter Bellamy's folk opera The Transports at the 1988 National Folk Festival.



MARK BISHOP EVANS (USA)

Mark Bishop Evans grew up in Southern California where his major musical influences were Gordon Lightfoot, Peter, Paul & Mary, Bob Dylan & Paul Simon. His music is an intriguing blend of folk, folk rock, & ballads, lyrically rich in emotional content & melodically comfortable like a favourite jacket.



MATT JOE GOW & KERRYN FIELDS (VIC)

With multiple awards to their names & 1000's of miles between them, Matt Joe Gow & Kerryn Fields are bonafide masters of their craft, the union of their songwriting enables them to explore new depths in their music. Their ragged edge comes steeped in Alt-Country influences, building their sound around acoustic instruments & honest songwriting.



MAURIE MULHERON (NSW)

Maurie specialises in the songs of the sixties folk revival, audience sing-alongs. He's written theatre & festival shows on Sis Cunningham, The Weavers, Phil Ochs, Pete Seeger & Bob Dylan. Maurie is presenting a concert for peace with

fellow musicians from the USA who are performing at this year's festival.



MAYPOLE WITH MOLLY (NSW)

Maypole with Molly enjoy sharing music & dance with kids. Their interactive & energetic dance sessions encompass music from Mozart along with Austrian influences from accordionist Erika Cleaver (Molly). Adults are invited to join the kids to create intricate ribbon patterns around the maypole or play percussion. No experience needed!



MICKEY & MICHELLE (VIC)

Descending from the mountains are harp & fiddle extravaganza Mickey & Michelle, whose energetic & virtuosic performances have captured hearts throughout Australia & NZ. Often described as the highlight of the festival. The duo weave a gorgeous chamber-folk tapestry of original Celtic music infused with vocal harmony & fiery improvisations.



MUMUNG (NSW)

Mumung meet fortnightly & were introduced to culture & Dharawal language by Dr Jodi Edwards. They connect to their voice & create songs to sing whilst led by Karen Cummings.



NICK RHEINBERGER (NSW)

Satirist, poet, multi-instrumentalist & ABC Illawarra presenter, Nick is a stalwart of the IFF & performs a rare solo concert featuring his unusual mix of the hilarious & heartbreaking. Keep an eye for him as part of Rheinberger & Wilson, who are also back by popular demand to host the finale.



OLD FOLK (NSW)

Old Folk are an Old-timey group that play an Appalachian style of American folk, mixed with their own home-grown interpretations with original songs & tunes. Raised out of the Sydney Bluegrass scene, Old Folk bringing big bass, mandolin, fiddle, quitar.



PETER MACE BUSH POET (NSW)

Peter is a performance bush poet & writer who has entertained audiences at most of the country's major festivals & poetry competitions. He may have you laughing one minute & shedding a tear the next, but either way will be sure to entertain.



PIRRITU (VIC)

Ngiyampaa man & First Nations singersongwriter Pirritu's music is gentle, honest & melodic. Enticing you into the depths of his personal journey, to sing you a story of sadness, love & hope.



RHEINBERGER & WILSON (NSW)

A musical comedy duo combining razor-sharp songs about modern life & love with brooding accordion, gutsy guitar & sweet harmonies. Rheinberger & Wilson are a unique Australian cabaret & comedy act, going where other couples fear to tread.



RIK PALIERI (USA)

Rik is a very energetic performer who captivates audiences of all ages with his stories & songs. You can expect an old ballad with a fret less banjo, stomp out a Leadbelly style blues on the 12-string guitar, squeeze an exotic instrumental on the Polish bagpipes, spin out a wild & woolly story of his travels, pluck out a tune on the Ozark mouth bow, blow a mournful melody on the Native American flute & end the evening with an original Yodel-sing-a-long.



ROBYN SYKES (NSW)

Robyn Sykes is a multi-awarded spoken word artist who writes & performs original, folk-style poetry with a twist. Humour, pathos, activism: her shows have the lot. Using an expressive delivery style & her inventive rhyming patterns, she ushers her audiences through a vibrant poetic journey that tackles 21st century themes.



RUSSELL HANNAH (NSW)

A tormenter of accordion players & a lover of tripe, the cuddly president of the Illawarra Folk Club, aka Sir BigRuss will be spotted at spoken word gigs all over the place & the bar with Ted Egan.



RYAN YOUNG (SCOTLAND)

Experience the soul-stirring magic of Scotland's traditional fiddle like never before, with Ryan Young, as he breathes new life into the rich tapestry of traditional Scotlish music. Ryan's fiddle tunes will transport you on an evocative journey & elevate your soul.



SAM DE SANTI (QLD)

Sam, throughout his 27 years on Earth, has been a devoted attendee of almost every IFF. Raised in an environment steeped in folk music, he has blossomed into a remarkable instrumentalist with a deep appreciation for a diverse array of stringed instruments, including the violin, guitar, banjo, mandolin & bouzouki.



SAPLINGS (NSW)

The Saplings sessions are aimed at presenting collected traditional & contemporary Australian tunes & songs to young musicians who already play an instrument.



SHALANI (NSW)

Shalani is a writer & performer who is passionate about sharing stories & experiences through song. She has a deep love of folk music delving into traditional repertoire as well as her original songs. Her music is for the lovers of dreamy folk dusted with nostalgia.



SHANTIES & WORKSONGS (NSW)

A local group of musicians from a range of musical backgrounds who all love to meet every week & sing traditional Shanties & Worksongs.



SINGONGO (NSW)

Local community choir with a love of choral music of different cultures & languages. Performing for over 10 years, a regular at the IFF & presenting workshops at the folk school. Performed as part of theatre shows & as back up singers for a number of performers.



SOUL FLAMENCO ILLAWARRA (NSW)

Soul Flamenco Illawarra are traditional Spanish Flamenco dancers who all live in the Illawarra.



STEAMPUNK VAGABONDS (NSW)

A troupe of dancers & performers with backgrounds in belly dance, world fusion, theatre & circus. Their performances incorporate a blend of steampunk, fantasy, theatre, dance & pantomime, with an old world vintage flair.



STIFF GINS (NSW)

Embarking on their 20th year of performing together, Stiff Gins are now entering their most intriguing period of music making. Fresh off the stage of their epic visual theatre project entitled 'Spirit of Things: Sound of Objects', they are forging towards their 21st anniversary with a new recording & sound design project already in the works.



STONYBROKE (NSW)

Now Stonybroke is a poetry bloke. Otherwise known as Stonybroke He'll make you laugh & make you cry. Or spin you tales of pie in the sky. So come along, get on yer bike When Stonybroke is on the mike.



STORY BEATS (NSW)

Acclaimed story-teller Lilli Rodreiguez-Pang teams up with percussionist Matt Bourne to engage & immerse children into the world of storytelling with an enchanting rhythmic twist. We provide engaging children's entertainment & both performers work across multiple applying acts.



SUE FERRERS TRIO (QLD)

2023 AFMA Finalist Sue Ferrers plays the hauntingly beautiful but rare Swedish nyckelharpa. Joined by guitarist, Evan Clarry & bassist Chris Miller, the trio will present an eclectic potpourri of European folk music, taking the audience on a magic carpet ride to exotic lands while speaking to your heart.



SUPER KENNY & MAGNIFICENT MANDA (NSW)

Super Kenny & Magnificent Manda are regulars in the kids tent at the Illawarra Folky. They are funny, entertaining & interactive & the festival just wouldn't be the same without them!.



SWEET TONY (USA)

Originally from New Jersey, Sweet Tony Paiotti is a singer/songwriter based in Phoenix. Singer of acoustic rock, ballads, love songs, story songs, folk, Irish/Celtic. Harmonizer extraordinaire. NY Yankees lover. Tony performs throughout the Valley of the Sun, especially at many of the live music venues in Cave Creek. His shows are fun, filled with laughter & a love of music.



SYDNEY SCOTTISH FIDDLERS (NSW)

Sydney Scottish Fiddlers are a community group of instrumentalists, playing fiddles of all sizes (violin, viola & cello), flute, whistle & keyboards. For over 25 years, they've been sharing tunes with each other, with listeners, & dancers. They perform toe-tappingjigs & reels, sporran-shaking strathspeys, waltzes, & tear-jerking slow airs.



TED EGAN AO. NK (NT)

Ted is a gentle old chap, now gracefully aged 91 years. He travels with his Beloved Carer Nerys Evans. He has composed & sung songs for 31 albums with the focus on Australian history, its folklore & people he admires. He likes to sing & does so often.



THE ALUM RIDGE BOYS & ASHLEE (USA)

Drawing inspiration from the rich string band culture of the Virginia-Carolina Blue Ridge region, The Alum Ridge Boys & Ashlee bring together old time mountain music, traditional bluegrass, & early country music to produce a uniquely authentic old time sound.



THE CON ARTISTS (NSW)

The Wollongong Conservatorium's all ages community band combines young up-and-coming WollCon students, adult community musicians, & some of the region's most prominent folk musicians, playing dissident & celebratory folk music from around the world. Fun & irreverent, The Con Artists are a carnival of percussion, wind, brass, accordions, & fiddles.



THE DIRTY STAY OUT SKIFFLERS (USA)

The Dirty Stay Out Skifflers play a variety of music styles including jug band/skiffle, blues, folk, country & more! The band inlcudes Grammy Winner Rick Nestler on 12 string guitar & vocals & Donna Nestler on banjolele, concertina, kazoo, washboard & vocals. They will get you up & moving & singing along!



THE GRANDKIDS (NSW)

Americana via Corrimal. The Grandkids are an Australian folk/Americana duo made up of Nick Blow & Lucy Mills. With a penchant for hats, heartbreaking songs & hillbilly stomp, they are the new breed of folk Illawarra.



THE INADEQUATES (QLD)

The Inadequates are an award-winning trio known for their unusual instrumentation & innovative acoustic sound. Growing rapidly within the Australian folk scene, they have been likened to bands such as Nickel Creek & Mumford & Sons. With a catalogue of boundary-pushing original music, The Inadequates are an act you don't want to miss.



THE MIDNIGHT FEAST (NSW)

Fun, multi genre, Aussie folk funk. The Midnight Feast make people smile & hit the dance floor. With a bag full of originals & a tasty cover or two there is always a good time to be had when the Midnight Feast perform.



THE MORNING STAR (NSW)

The Morning Star are an experimental folk-rock band formed by collaborative Illawarra based songwriters Ali Mollica & Cody Munro Moore. They adhere to this genre through both drawing upon & obscuring traditional song lines of the sonic past, while exploring experimental recording styles that meddle with their own notion of the present.



THE OTHER NOONANS (NSW)

The Other Noonans are a married duo with a twisted sense of humour & a love for music & story. They blend genres such as satire, parody, traditional folk & more with humour & harmony. They also happen to be blind so don't expect flashy choreography but you can expect stories of activism, when good guide dogs go bad, kids/grandkids & dealing with a crazy world through music & repartee.



THE SHIELD MAIDENS & THE CELT (NSW)

A Latvian cellist, a Saxon songbird, a mandolin-wielding Viking & a Celt with a whistle join forces to create The Shield Maidens & the Celt. Be swept away on a musical journey that will take you from icy folky fjords to lounge classics. Be prepared to sing along-possibly in an obscure Viking language or two.



THE SWINGALELES (NSW)

The Swingaleles is a progressive ukulele group based in the Illawarra who like to introduce other instruments to the line up, such as saxophones, accordion, & cahon. They perform cheery, upbeat, noisy songs, usually to a theme.



THE WATER RUNNERS (NSW)

Take a part bluegrass, a part trad folk & a dollop of country. Mix in great story-telling, catchy tunes, tight harmonies, strong musicianship & an engaging stage show & you have The Water Runners! Their songs will take you on a musical journey. Come along for the ride.



TIA WILSON (NSW)

Tia Wllson is a comic singer/songwriter with a passion for quirky parody & bizarre love songs. She performs regularly at Fringe & Folk Festivals in various guises, including musical comedy group Rheinberger & Wilson.



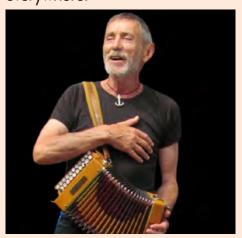
TIM SCANLAN & MANA OKUBO (VIC)

One man band Tim Scanlan teams up with Japanese fiddler Mana Okubo, mixing ancient tunes & drones with modern beats & sounds. Over the last 5 years they've taken their music around the world from the streets of the Edinburgh Fringe to the live houses of Tokyo.



TOM LEWIS (IRELAND, UK & CANADA)

Tom is renowned for composing The Last Shanty (A Sailor Ain't A Sailor), & many other contemporary songs of the sea that have become folk standards, sung around the world. At the age of 80, he is still touring widely, taking his brand of wry humour, his nautical knowledge, & his powerful voice, all of which he loves to share to audiences everywhere.



TRIBAL JEWELS DANCE CO (NSW)

Tribal Jewels Dance Co members showcase multicultural style dancing in a lively colourful gypsy style bellydance. Their dance allows women of all backgrounds, sizes & ages to enjoy dance & be proud of who they are. Their mission is to broaden the appreciation of women celebrating dance & cultural diversity.



TUCK SHOP LADIES (VIC)

The triceps ain't what they used to be, but the funny bone has only gotten sharper. Armed with a pair of ukuleles, & the sharpest of wits, the Tuck Shop Ladies share an intimate selection of their hilarious, but always harmonious, songs.



VARDOS (VIC)

Driven by Alana's wild violin, chased by accordion & double bass, Vardos play folk & Romany music & have learnt from Rroma & folk musicians in Hungary & Romania during their Eastern European travels. Based in Naarm Melbourne, the band has toured cinternationally & appeared in film & television.



WE MAVERICKS (NSW)

Masters in the art of connection, this troubadour duo interweave effortless strings, soulful lyrics & driving rhythms to form a singular, intense musical voice. The couple have been called contemporary folk, alt-country & acoustic pop, but words don't capture their unbelievable musical kinship, or the deeply heartfelt way they relate to their audiences.



WENDY SNOOK (VIC)

Wendy is a more recent convert to the autoharp to add her musical talents with lever harps, guitars & other folk instruments.



WINTER WILSON (UK)

Kip Winter & Dave Wilson are one of the UK's hardest working acts, performing often hard-hitting original songs in stunning harmony, interspersed with wicked, self-deprecating humour. Besides touring the UK, Europe, Australia, New Zealand & Canada they have released 10 critically-acclaimed albums.



YOGA - DRU YOGA (NSW)

Erika Steller & Fiona Davis have been teaching Dru yoga at the Illawarra Folk Festival since 2011! They bring the wisdom of yoga & a fun, safe and down-to-earth approach.



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