

OPEN STREET FESTIVAL

FREE!

Wentworth Street
Port Kembla

SAT 5 OCT, 1-10PM
ALL AGES



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MAIN STAGE



1-2PM CIRCADIA

An eclecticism of style, an undercurrent of groove, a whole lotta heart. Dharawal-based collective Circadia are reshaping the alt-rock soundscape with influences from jazz, soul, funk and good old fashioned rock'n'roll. A staple in Wollongong's live music scene, Circadia know how to get crowds moving, and use their expansive repertoire to deliver a curated experience at every show.



2-3PM KUGANG DJARMBI

Join us for an engaging cultural dance experience with local Aboriginal dance group Kugang Djarmbi led by Layne Brown.



3-4PM MAT McHUGH (THE BEAUTIFUL GIRLS)

Mat McHugh's music is described as folk, pop rock, alternative rock, reggae, dub and roots, in reality it's all of the above and so much more. With albums that have debuted at #1 in the ARIA Indie Charts as well as featuring in the US Billboard Reggae Albums Chart his collection spans a wide range of genres.



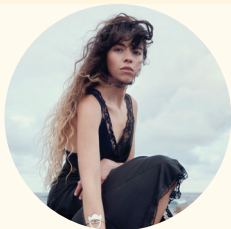
4-5PM FRANK SULTANA

Inspired by greats like Ray Charles and Bob Dylan, as well as Mississippi blues pioneers Skip James and Son House. Australian born blues singer, Frank Sultana has released 5 albums and 3 EPs and has become a permanent fixture in Australia's live scene, earning a big reputation as a powerhouse singer and gifted songwriter.



5-6PM THE GROOVE

Featuring local guitarist, Sako Dermenjian, The Groove is a cultural blend of Spanish, flamenco and classical guitar inspired riffs with driving syncopated afro percussion grooves. This 5 piece delivers upbeat dancey world fusion music.



6-7PM AZURE RYDER

Australian musician, singer, songwriter Azure Ryder, will bring her own version of acoustic indie rock to Port Kembla. Her debut EP, Running With The Wolves, was a great success, with further EPs and Triple J's Like a Version under her belt. Her layered, ethereal songs create what she calls a "sonic landscape" supported by her powerful vocals.



7-8PM ILE ILU

Come on a drumming journey with women's drumming and percussion group Ile Ilu, directed by multi-disciplinary artist and multi-instrumentalist Marina Da Silva. This group brings fun, inspiration, connection, women's empowerment and beautiful rhythms from Brazil and beyond!



8-9PM RUBY JACKSON

Sydney-based songwriter, producer and performer Ruby Jackson has positioned herself at the heart of the Australian R&B/Jazz scene. In 2023, Ruby's singles 'Out of Fashion', 'Guilty Pleasure', and 'You've Changed' earned Double J rotation, Triple J Unearthed rotation, alongside radio-play support from Triple J, iHeartRadio and community radios nationwide.



9-10PM THE STRIDES

Hailing from Sydney, The Strides embodies Reggae power. Led by Ras Roni, Fijian MC LTL GZeus, and Sierra Leonean powerhouse Blacker C, they offer an explosive, authentic musical blend of classic roots reggae with hip-hop nuances, their sound fuses dance hall, dub beats, and reggae-pop. The Strides have rocked Australia's major festivals like Splendour in the Grass, Byron Bay Blues and Roots, WOMAdelaide and Port Fairy Folk Festival.

ROVING ARTISTS & INSTALLATIONS



1-2PM STREET BEATZ

Street Beatz is a powerhouse in the Australian dance scene, renowned for their jaw-dropping performances on the local and international stage. They are passionate about building a community to share their love for Street dance and helping dancers to be confident and celebrate individuality.



1-4PM FACE PAINTING

The Sparkles & Thrills Face Painting team will be adding a splash of colour and a dash of sparkle to the young and the young at heart.



2-5PM JERRY HATRICKS

Jerry blends comedy, magic, dexterity, and beloved circus traditions into one unforgettable show. Expect jaw-dropping tricks and be prepared for a whirlwind of wonder and laughter for the whole family.



5-10PM LIGHT PROJECTIONS & INSTALLATIONS

Look out over Wentworth St as night falls and see a range of incredible light installations come to life. The amazing team at Illumniart will be creating this immersive experience.



6-9PM CURIOUS LEGENDS ROVING PUPPETS

Be inspired by Curious Legends who aim to embrace magic, mystery and inherent wonder by tapping into the world of our imaginations.



10AM-5PM RED POINT ARTS EXHIBITION

There will be a free exhibition at the Red Point Gallery, a short walk from the event precinct. Make sure you pop up to The Wentworth Complex (96-106 Wentworth St) to check out a beautiful display of 2D and 3D works from locals the 'Con Artists'. You may even find your favourite bespoke sculptural piece or colourful and unique artwork.

MARKET & DJs



1-7PM MAKERS MARKETS

Support your local creatives, designers and artists at the Makers Markets. Nestled in at top of Wentworth St and into The Servo yard, you'll find a range of one-of-a-kind handmade products and boutique collections. Browse in style as you groove along to local DJs Disco Nonna, Chelsey Dagger and Sultans of Spin.



1-3PM DISCO NONNA

Disco Nonna is a vibrant DJ bringing the nostalgic beats of retro Italian and European disco to life. With her infectious energy and timeless tracks, she transforms any event into a dance floor filled with vintage grooves and unforgettable moments.



3-5PM CHELSEY DAGGER

Wollongong's local disco punk disc jockey Chelsey Dagger has been a mainstay of 'Gong events over the last several years. Chelsey has played Yours & Owls and Farmer & The Owl festivals, North Gong NYE and uncountable LGBTQIA+ club nights and rock shows. Chelsey also helms Deer Gaze, running arts, social and cultural events for the local LGBTQIA+ community. A lover of a broad range of music, (but firstly disco) she fills dance floors small and large for different folks and different strokes.



5-7PM SULTANS OF SPIN

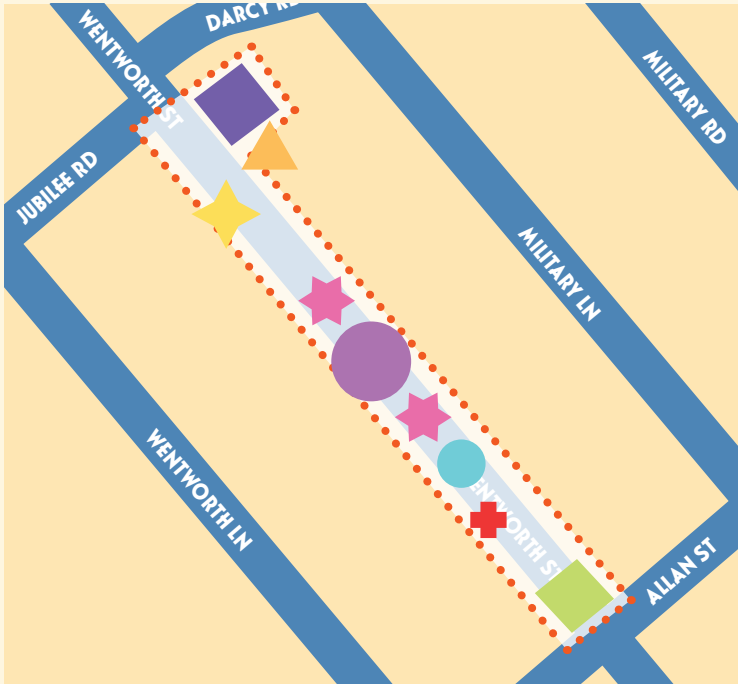
The Sultans of Spin are a vinyl DJ collective who specialise in slinging party tunes for party people. They are a diverse group of vinyl DJs with a broad range of tastes and styles. They play regular weekly residencies all over the Illawarra, including Howlin Wolf, North Gong Hotel, Mae Mabel and Georgia Rose. They also throw regular parties such as the Spinning Around event and have been invited to play at music festivals Yours & Owls Festival and Splendour in the Grass.












6-10PM N.A.S.A LIGHT INSTALLATIONS

Don't miss this! Make sure you pop by N.A.S.A from 6pm to see an immersive 360 degree installation of the work of incredible local artists.

FESTIVAL MAP



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|  | MAIN STAGE |  | YAMPI BAR |
|  | N.A.S.A. INSTALLATION |  | TOILETS |
|  | MAKERS MARKET |  | FIRST AID |
|  | OUTDOOR DINING |  | FESTIVAL SITE |
|  | FOOD | | |



JOIN US...

for a day of great music, food, markets and more at this free, all ages street festival! With a great line up featuring:

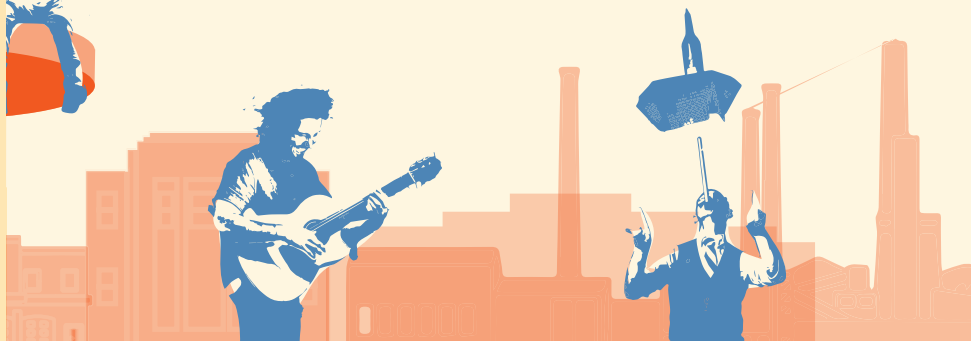
MAT McHUGH (THE BEAUTIFUL GIRLS), THE STRIDES, AZURE RYDER, FRANK SULTANA AND ILE ILU ON THE MAIN STAGE. ROVING PUPPETEERS CURIOUS LEGENDS AND CLOWNING FROM JERRY HATRICKS WILL BE FEATURED THROUGHOUT THE EVENT PRECINCT.

As twilight falls, you'll see a number of visual effects and projections emerge at various locations on Wentworth St. Come for a late lunch and stay for dinner with a local makers market and delicious food stalls.

VIBRANT STREETS PACKAGE: OPEN STREET PROGRAM

This event, presented by Wollongong City Council, has been made possible thanks to grant funding provided by the NSW Government under the [Open Streets Program](#).

The Open Streets Program aims to inject vibrancy into our streets and help create thriving local places that support businesses, creative sectors, and the community through events and activations. The program is supporting local councils to bring streets to life across NSW, seeing them reimagined and energised, testing ideas to enhance walkability and fostering vibrancy. The program builds on the success of existing Transport programs that support the activation of streets and transport hub precincts.



GETTING THERE



BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Busses are replacing trains on Saturday 5 October which works in your favour! There will be three temporary bus zones on Military Rd, Port Kembla, a very short walk from the Festival.

We encourage you to use public transport to do your bit for the planet and get home safely.



BY BIKE

Why don't you peddle to Port Kembla for the event? We will have free bike storage super close to the event precinct.



BY CAR

If you would like to drive, there are two car parks, one on the corner of Allan St and Military Rd and a second carpark off Wentworth Lane. There are also a number of street parking options around the Festival precinct.

There will be a number of accessible parking bays reserved in the Allan St Carpark (the closest car park to the Festival).