

KISS ARTS FEST 2023

OFFICIAL PROGRAM











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FESTIVALLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT'S ALL THIS THEN?

It's Kiama's 12th annual seaside celebration of fringe arts – including wildly talented street performers, comedy, music, powerful and playful art installations, and much more general mayhem and hilarity!

IS IT SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES?

Absolutely! KISS is fueled by seeing people of all ages come together to enjoy unique live events. Ages 0 to 120 are welcome! (But if you're 121, sorry not you.)

WHERE IS IT AND WHAT WILL IT COST TO GET IN?

Black Beach (Kiama Harbour) and it's FREE to attend KISS!

FREE? COOL! SO DO THE PERFORMERS ACCEPT DONATIONS?

They sure do. Many of them make their living traveling to festivals like this, so if you enjoyed a show, give what you can.

IT SAYS 20TH-22ND OF OCTOBEER WHAT HAPPENS ON THE FRIDAY? Friday night we kick off with the (adults only) Kabaret at the Pavilion.

AND SATURDAY AND SUNDAY?

All the action will be down on Black Beach.

SOUNDS LIKE FUN. I'M FROM OUT OF TOWN- WHERE SHOULD I STAY?

You're in luck. We have everything from tent sites to luxury accommodation right here and loads of cafes, restaurants, and boutique shopping too. Check out Kiama.com.au for plenty of options and more things to do while you're here.

WILL THERE BE FOOD AND DRINK AT KISS?

Yes! We'll have a line up of delicious food and beverage stalls as well as our very own Cafe de Rude, which will also have entertainment.

WHY IS IT CALLED KISS?

Originally it stood for "Kiama International Sea Side" festival but these days we think of it as a big smoochy KISS for all who love quirky live entertainment.

SO YOU'RE SAYING I WON'T BE REQUIRED TO KISS ANYONE?

It's not compulsory. Although Kiki can get rather frisky...

WHAT HAPPENS IF IT RAINS?

Gee, you ask a lot of questions. In the event of rain, the festival will be moved to a small village in Germany... Seriously though, the show goes on rain or shine.

WILL ATTENDING KISS CHANGE MY LIFE?

Yes!

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WHAM GLAM CIRCUS MAN

Winner of Best Circus at Perth, Melbourne and Adelaide Fringe Festivals. Magic, music, comedy and circus! All set to a banging rock and roll sound track! If you like death-defying circus stunts and side-splitting comedy then don't miss this rock and roll extravaganza!





NICK NICKOLAS

Nick Nickolas has won multiple awards including The World Championships of Street Magic and Best Magic Act at Adelaide Fringe Festival. Combining expert sleight of hand magic with big laughter Nick Nickolas presents an amazing and amusing show for all the family.

JP KOALA

J-P Koala presents a show full of fun, Medieval Axes, cute cuddly toy koalas, and comedy chaos that come together to produce a powerful display of skill and improvised comedy. In a moment he can take an audience from awe to laughter, from delight to wonderment, from surprise to joyous applause.





KIKI BITTOVABITSCH

Kiki is definitely unique! She is a contortionist, an acrobat and a real life princess. After loosing her country of Kazador (she literally cannot find it!), she has traveled the world as the self-appointed Kazadorian Kultural attaché. Kiki is renowned for spreading joy and laughter with a shovel.

THE SOUL MOVERS

Featuring much-loved legend, ex-Red Wiggle, Murray Cook, and led by long-Legged power-house vocalist, Lizzie Mack, The Soul Movers musical tour-de-force across a hip and funky retro musical spectrum, recreating the best sounds from the 1960s and 70s, and making them one of the most exciting live show and festival acts on the touring circuit today.





COREY PICKETT

Corey Pickett is a polished all-round international performer. With a background in theatre, he combines circus, music and physical theatre to create an energetic and eccentric performance.

THE SULLI-VANS

Led by award-winning singer-songwriter Kevin Sulli-Vans are a family of multigenerational country artists renowned for their energy, soul and breathtaking three-part harmonies

HEIDI HOOPS

Heidi Hoops is possibly the most well-rounded vaudevillian on the circuit. This mistress of the rings is completely obsessed with circles. Using, hula hoops, lasso, juggling, and illusions.



ELECTRIC GINGER

Electric Ginger is singer, songwriter, and multiinstrumentalist Greg Townley. Expect a mixed bag of genres from sassy synth pop sprinkled with falsetto, to cheeky electro bangers and guitar infused nineties pop.





JERRY HATRICKS

Experience the extraordinary charm of Jerry Hatricks, your guide through a mesmerising world of circus and vaudeville. Jerry's antics are sure to break the ice.



NICK AND TIA

Nick Rheinberger, singer-songwriter, teams up with comedy songstress Tia Juana Wilson, to share the music, challenges and stories of long-lasting relationships in a fickle, modern age.

CHA CHA DEL MAR

Cha Cha del Mar literally translates to "dancing the cha cha by the sea". This trio is Mark 'the sax' Holder-Keeping, Shy Boy Steve and Anamaria Gomez Jamarillo.



EMMA PRICE

Entertaining audiences across the globe, playing (at least) 4 instruments, classically trained in 3, with 2 Music degrees, and a singing & performing style as unique as she is





THE FERRET GUY

A strange man roams the crowd with an empty cage, an Amazing Performing Ferret called Trevor, and a mystery to solve.



NEISHA MURPHY

Neisha is a vibrant variety entertainer whose performance style blends the ultimate unique mix of high level skill with amazing physical performance.



See us dance the gentle Alegrias, the festive Sevillanas, the fast Bulerias, and the very macho Farruca men's dance.



GOLDEN GAYTIMES

Dressed from head to toe in gold sequins, these glittery goddesses perform a funny and fabulous acrobatic routine that is uplifting and will definitely leave you feeling the joy.





HOOP BABES

With their electrifying hula hoops, dazzling dance routines, and acrobatic antics, The Hoop Babes are here to blow your minds!



BLOWHOLE BUSKERS

A versatile and talented ukulele group, they specialize in and enjoy playing a wide range of music spanning from the 1950s onwards.



CARTOON ARTIST

Orshi The Cartoon Artist will entertain you with super quick and fun cartoons and in a few minutes – with her expert eye – she will capture your character on paper.

Saturday 12 – 7

Saturday 12 – 7 Sunday 10– 4.30



Spruiker Guy, clown or salesman, show or stall? You decide. Either way, laugh your bottom off with the captivating master of words.

> Saturday at 2.20 | 4.50 | 6.20 Sunday 1.10 and 3.30.





Want to win vouchers to TOYWORLD or Little Betty's cocktail Bar? All you have to do is share your photos from the weekend with us. Just #kissphoto2023 on Instagram or Facebook, include in the description your name and our age (an approximate is fine for you adults) and we'll pick a winner with the Top 20 posted on our website.



2023 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROJECT

ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

COMPRISING OF Y INCREDIBLE HAVE-A-GO ACTIVITIES.

THE FLYING TRAPEZE CIRCUS ADVENTURE

This part of the playground represents the physical challenge of the Adventure space. Fly high in the air, be caught by a professional, and feel like you have run away with the Circus. The school will offer "have a go" sessions all day and then perform a show at dusk.







THE MUSICAL ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

With instruments made from recycled materials, hung, and constructed on a large scaffold, the musical playground offers participants a chance to make music, experiment with sound, and have a good time banging stuff without care for noise restrictions or their parent's hearing.

THE ADVENTURE FOREST

Adventure forest is made from old fashioned Hills Hoist Clothes lines. They will start the weekend naked and be dressed by participants as they add coloured leaves to the bare structures. Over the festival the trees will be dressed by the public, as their messages, thoughts, inspirations and even secrets are written on prepared paper leaves and pinned to the lines, creating a sculpture garden of words.

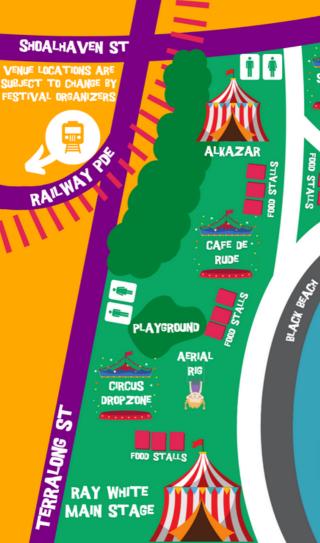




THE SENSORY HOUSE

The Cardboard Sensory House is a smaller and quieter part of the playground. Fully accessible and full of sensory experiences with each room in the house offering a different world to explore. A place to recuperate, reflect, relax and explore a different side of the festival.

SATURDAY 12-7PM SUNDAY 10-4.30PM



SPRUIKER GUY

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23 KISS ARTS TIVAL VILLAGE

WHERE POSSIBLE WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO WALK, TRAIN OR BIKE TO KISS. BUT IF YOU NEED PARKING TRY HAVILAH PL, AKUNA ST, KIAMA PAVILLION (BONG BONG ST) AND NEAR THE TRAIN STATION. DRIVE SAFE!

SATURDAY

	MAIN STAGE	ALKAZAR	CAFE DE RUDE	LITTLE BIG STAGE		
12:00	WHAM GLAM CIRCUS					
12:30		HEIDI HILLIER	BLOWHOLE BUSKERS			
1:00	JP- KOALA					
1:15		ELECTRIC GINGER		HOOP BABES		
1:30			EMMA PRICE			
1:50	NICK NICKOLAS					
2:00		JERRY HATRICKS		COREY PICKETT		
2:30			THE SULLIVANS			
2:40	KIKI BITTOVABITSCH					
2:45		GOLDEN GAYTIMES				
2:50				JP KOALA		
3:30	WHAM GLAM CIRCUS	SOUL FLAMENCO	KIDS COMEDY			
3:40				NICK NICKOLAS		
4:15		ELECTRIC GINGER				
4:20	JP- KOALA					
4:30			EMMA PRICE	HOOP BABES		
5:00		HEIDI HILLIER				
5:10	NICK NICKOLAS					
5:20				WHAM GLAM CIRCUS		
5:30			THE SULLIVANS			
5:45		JERRY HATRICKS				
	KIKI BITTOVABITSCH					
6:15				COREY PICKETT		
6:30		GOLDEN GAYTIMES				
7:00	FLYING TRAPEZE SHOW					
7:20	MEET AT LANTERN MAKING TENT - LANTERN PARADE					
7:30	BLACK BEACH - FI		DAMES OF STATE	FI MAD		
8:00	WINE DOWN - CHA CHA DEL MAR					
	CIRCUS DROPZONE: 1-6.30 PM CARTOON ARTIST: 12-7PM ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND: 12-7PM THE FERRET GUY: PM AND 3.30PM					

SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. . . YOU KNOW, LIKE LIFE!

SPRUIKER GUY: 2.20PM, 4.50PM, 6.20PM

LANTERN MAKING: 12-6.30PM

SUNDAY

	MAIN STAGE	ALKA ZA R	CAFE DE RUDE	LITTLE BIG STAGE
10:30	JP- KOALA			
10:45		GOLDEN GAYTIMES		COREY PICKETT
11:00			NONSENSE TRIVIA	
11:20	WHAM GLAM CIRUCS			NICK NICKOLAS
11:30		ELECTRIC GINGER		
12:00		RayWhite.RAF7	RACE	
12:30	NICK NICKOLAS		EMMA PRICE	
12:40				HOOP BABES
12:45		JERRY HATRICKS		
1:15			CHA CHA DEL MAR	
1:20	KIKI BITTOVABITSCH			
1:30		HEIDI HILLIER		
2:05		NEISHA		
2:10	JP- KOALA			
2:15			ELECTRIC GINGER	
2:20				COREY PICKETT
2:45		GOLDEN GAYTIMES		
3:00	WHAM GLAM CIRUCS			
3:10				HOOP BABES
3:15			EMMA PRICE	
3:30	Mary stressed A.O.	HEIDI HILLIER		
3:50	NICK NICKOLAS			ID 1/041 A
4:00		EDDY JATOS	OLA OLA DEL MAS	JP- KOALA
Y:15		JEKKT HAT RICKS	CHA CHA DEL MAR	>



CIRCUS DROPZONE : 11-4:30 PM ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND: 10-4:30PM CARTOON ARTIST: 10-4:30PM THE FERRET GUY: 11:30AM AND 2:30PM SPRUIKER GUY: 1:10PM AND 3:30PM

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LANTERNS

Saturday from 12.30-6.30 pm stop by and create your very own lantern so that you can join in on the Lantern Parade at 7.20pm on Saturday



NONSENSE Trivia

Join Kiki at Cafe De Rude for some questions about things that may or may not make sense. Ilam on Sunday





CIRCUS DROP ZONE

Run away and join the circus... for an afternoon. Try your hand at trapeze, juggling, unicycling and much more...

> Sat 1 - 6.30pm Sun 11am - 4.30pm



KIDS COMEDY

Attention Kids! Try your hand at 'stand up comedy and you could win \$\$. Kik is your host in Cafe De Rude and she wants to hear your favourite joke.

Saturday 3.30pm











ADULTS ONLY KISS KABARET

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PROUDLY **RayWhite**, KIAMA





KISS AT SUNSET

JUST BECAUSE THE SUN GOES DOWN DOESN'T MEAN THE PARTY IS OVER

TRAPEZE AFTER DARK

Our exceptional early evening program kicks off with a high flying "wow ometer" of a performance by Sydney Flying Trapeze crew.

Terrifying, incredible and definitely a hardcore circus in action.

Pack your oohhs and aa





LANTERN PARADE

If you want to be part of the FUN, bring your lantern and meet at 7.20 at the Lantern making tent to parade through the festival site. Spectators welcome.

FIRE SCULPTURE

Some things you can't do until the sun goes down... and that includes FIRE! Join us and get lost for a moment as the famous KISS Fire Sculpture works its magic.





WINE DOWN

Cafe De Rude will end the evening with the Fabulous Cha Cha Del Mar playing funky Latin tunes while we wine down from the action-packed day of events. Stay the night and boogie or just sit back and enjoy the music as we chill and get ready for day two.

.. BRING A JUMPER AND STAY TILL LATE!

A BIG HUG AND KISS TO OUR FESTIVAL PARTNERS















































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