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**DF20 Homegrown**

6-16 August 2020

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**Welcome to DF20**

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Darwin Festival Artistic Director

Wow. 2020!

What a rollercoaster few months it’s been: we unproduced a (massive) festival, dreamt up (multiple) other festivals, learned to work from home and to use a bunch of new words (unprecedented, logarithmic, socially distanced). It’s hard to believe it’s only July! Thankfully, strong choices were made early on and the NT has been spared the worst. So far, we’ve been lucky. Guided by optimism, what seemed almost impossible in March is now nearly upon us – DF20 Homegrown. And it’s going to be glorious!

Though our population is small, the NT is abundant with talent and Darwin Festival prides itself on showcasing that talent every year. When we decided 2020 was going to be all about local, well, a silver lining never shone so bright. In a matter of weeks, we had reimagined the festival (again) and we couldn’t be more pleased to present the DF20 Homegrown program, in which old friends find new ways of making magic – just for us.

Get pumped for fresh musical collaborations, intriguing intimate theatre and dance, raucous comedy and cabaret, stunning backyard concerts and experimental music from morning to midnight – all brought to you by local artists, some in collaboration with interstate peers, and made just for DF20.

It may not be quite the same this year (is anything?), but it’s going to be fun, I promise. Please, be patient, follow the gentle reminders (wash those hands) and come celebrate the community spirit that’s buoyed us all these last few months. The future might be uncertain, but we have each other and that’s a lot.

Love, Felix

**HOW TO GET INVOLVED**

Visit darwinfestival.org.au for all the DF20 Homegrown details you need!

* Register your interest for our online events so you don’t miss a thing.
* Buy tickets to 4 or more events and save 10% with a Festival Multipack.
* How to book
Online darwinfestival.org.au
Phone 8943 4222
In person Festival Park Box Office
Open 6-16 Aug 5pm-8.15pm Closed Mon 10 Aug

$3.50 transaction fee applies to Darwin Festival ticket sales

See darwinfestival.org.au for full Ticketing Terms & Conditions

**FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS**

 **Opening Weekend**

Buy direct from Indigenous arts centres from all over the country as *Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair* goes digital or immerse yourself in the best of contemporary Indigenous art in the gallery at the *Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards* and *Salon des Refusés*.

Celebrate Indigenous music, from up-and-coming talent to icons of the scene, in a special online version of the *National Indigenous Music Awards*.

**Sunset Stage Sessions**
The Sunset Stage in Festival Park is the place to catch the hottest homegrown music acts including album launch parties for David Garnham & the Reasons to Live and Kuya James, Arnhem Land superstars Yilila and Ripple Effect Band, a sassy showcase from the sisters on the Settle Down Records label, hip-hop from the NT’s star MCs, stunning vocals from Shellie Morris & Guests and a closing night musical tribute to our town – Streets of Darwin.

**Family Fun**
Get ready, steady, teddy for everyone’s favourite big day out for the littlies, *City of Darwin Teddy Bears’ Picnic* – this year in Festival Park. That’s also where Aunty June Mills will entertain youngsters with the puppet storytelling event *Witladla* and where the Festival’s family fun all starts with our opening event *Housewarming* – supported by Santos. Or get outside and discover something new with Team Fun’s audio *DIY Scavenger Hunt*.

**Not Close But Personal**

Expect the unexpected with these intimate art experiences. Have a secret conversation over a bespoke cocktail at *Love Me (Bar)Tender*, enjoy an unexpected encounter with a 70+ artist in *Sex and Death (and the Internet)*, reconnect distant friends in *I’ll Tell You in Person* or find yourself on stage with the performers of a brand-new dance work at DEC. And remember how to laugh again with top local comedy at The Rails.

**DF20 Homegrown**6–16 August

BOOK NOW! Full program details at darwinfestival.org.au

 **THURSDAY 6 AUGUST**

**Sunset Stage at Festival Park
Housewarming – supported by Santos**6pm
FREE
Music

**Festival Park
Welcome to Country**6pm
FREE
Special Events

**Avoidable Perils**5pm-8pm
FREE
Special Events

**Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand
Mandy Garling**7pm
FREE
Music

**Brown’s Mart Theatre
The Final Front Ear**6pm
$25-$35
Theatre

**Browns’ Mart Courtyard
Love Me (Bar)Tender**5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$25
Theatre

**I’ll Tell You In Person**5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$20
Theatre

**Happy Yess
Oyster Boy**
6.30pm
$21-$25
Theatre

**Various Venues
Botanicals**7pm-9pm
FREE
Special Event

**FRIDAY 7 AUGUST**

**Sunset Stage at Festival Park
Yilila + Ripple Effect Band**8pm
$26-$30
Music

**Club Awi**10pm-late
$5 at the door
Music

**Festival Park
Avoidable Perils**5pm-8pm
FREE
Special Events

**Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand
The Changes**6.30pm
FREE
Music

**Brown’s Mart Theatre
The Final Front Ear**6pm
$25-$35
Theatre

**Browns’ Mart Courtyard
Love Me (Bar)Tender**5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$25
Theatre

**I’ll Tell You In Person**5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$20
Theatre

**Happy Yess
Oyster Boy**6.30pm
$21-$25
Theatre

**SATURDAY 8 AUGUST**

**Sunset Stage at Festival Park
Settle Down Sisters**
8pm
$26-$30
Music

**Club Awi**10pm-late
$5 at the door
Music

**Festival Park
Avoidable Perils**5pm-8pm
FREE
Special Events

**Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand
Bridey Rose**6.30pm
FREE
Music

**Brown’s Mart Theatre
The Final Front Ear**6pm
$25-$35
Theatre

**Browns’ Mart Courtyard
Love Me (Bar)Tender**5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$25
Theatre

**I’ll Tell You In Person**5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$20
Theatre

**Happy Yess
Oyster Boy**6.30pm
$21-$25
Theatre

 **Darwin Entertainment Centre
DSO – Metamorphosis I**7pm
$20-$45
Music

**Deckchair Cinema
National Indigenous Music Awards Screening Party**
6pm
FREE
Music **Various Venues
Botanicals**7pm-9pm
FREE
Special Event

**SUNDAY 9 AUGUST**

**Sunset Stage at Festival Park
David Garnham & the Reasons to Live + Choir of Man**8pm
$26-$30
Music

**Festival Park
City of Darwin Teddy Bears’ Picnic**9am-12pm
FREE
Family

**Avoidable Perils**5pm-8pm
FREE
Special Events

**Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand
Alice Strings**6.30pm
FREE
Music

**Browns’ Mart Courtyard
Love Me (Bar)Tender**5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$25
Theatre

**I’ll Tell You In Person**5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$20
Theatre

**Happy Yess
Oyster Boy**6.30pm
$21-$25
Theatre

 **Darwin Entertainment Centre
DSO – Metamorphosis II**2pm
$20-$45
Music

**Various Venues
Botanicals**7pm-9pm
FREE
Special Event

**MONDAY 10 AUGUST**

**Private Homes
Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective**6pm
$26-$30
Music

**Deckchair Cinema
The Skin of Others**6pm
$12-$16
Film

**TUESDAY 11 AUGUST**

**Sunset Stage at Festival Park
SPUN: Heart**7pm
$26-$30
Words & Ideas

**Festival Park
Avoidable Perils**5pm-8pm
FREE
Special Events

**Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand
Alice Cotton**6pm
FREE
Music

**Brown’s Mart Theatre
The Final Front Ear**6pm
$25-$35
Theatre

**Browns’ Mart Courtyard
I’ll Tell You In Person**5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$20
Theatre

**Happy Yess
Sex and Death (and the Internet)**4.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly
$25
Theatre

 **Darwin Entertainment Centre
North of Centre**6pm & 7.30pm
$21-$25
Dance

**Private Homes
Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective**6pm
$26-$30
Music **Darwin Railway Club
I See Dead People**6.30pm
$21-$25
Comedy

**WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST**

**Sunset Stage at Festival Park
Shellie Morris & Guests**8pm
$26-$30
Music

**Festival Park
Avoidable Perils**5pm-8pm
FREE
Special Events

**Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand
Ben Evolent**6.30pm
FREE
Music

**Brown’s Mart Theatre
The Final Front Ear**6pm
$25-$35
Theatre

**Browns’ Mart Courtyard
I’ll Tell You In Person**5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$20
Theatre

**Happy Yess
Sex and Death (and the Internet)**4.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly
$25
Theatre

 **Darwin Entertainment Centre
North of Centre**6pm & 7.30pm
$21-$25
Dance

**Private Homes
Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective**6pm
$26-$30
Music **Darwin Railway Club
I See Dead People**6.30pm
$21-$25
Comedy

**THURSDAY 13 AUGUST**

**Sunset Stage at Festival Park
J-MILLA + Lil Kootsie and Guests**8pm
$21-$25
Music

**Festival Park
Avoidable Perils**5pm-8pm
FREE
Special Events

**Malam (Night): Tutup Mulut**11pm
FREE
Music

**Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand
Surprise Guest**6.30pm
FREE
Music

**Brown’s Mart Theatre
The Final Front Ear**6pm
$25-$35
Theatre

**Browns’ Mart Courtyard
Love Me (Bar)Tender**5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$25
Theatre **I’ll Tell You In Person**5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$20
Theatre

 **Happy Yess
Sex and Death (and the Internet)**4.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly
$25
Theatre

 **Darwin Entertainment Centre
North of Centre**6pm & 7.30pm
$21-$25
Dance

**Private Homes
Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective**6pm
$26-$30
Music **Darwin Railway Club
Amy Hetherington**6.30pm
$21-$25
Comedy

**Various Venues
Botanicals**7pm-9pm
FREE
Special Events

**FRIDAY 14 AUGUST**

**Sunset Stage at Festival Park
Kuya James’ Pinoy Street Party**8pm
$26-$30
Music

**Club Awi**10pm-late
$5 at the door
Music

**Festival Park
Avoidable Perils**5pm-8pm
FREE
Special Events

 **Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand
World Mix Band**6.30pm
FREE
Music

**Brown’s Mart Theatre
The Final Front Ear**6pm
$25-$35
Theatre

**Browns’ Mart Courtyard
Love Me (Bar)Tender**5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$25
Theatre **I’ll Tell You In Person**5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$20
Theatre

**Happy Yess
Sex and Death (and the Internet)**4.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly
$25
Theatre

 **Private Homes
Distanced Duets: Arafura Music Collective**6pm
$26-$30
Music **Darwin Railway Club
Amy Hetherington**6.30pm
$21-$25
Comedy

**SATURDAY 15 AUGUST**

**Sunset Stage at Festival Park
Drag Divas: Essential Werk**8pm
$26-$30
Cabaret

**Club Awi**10pm-late
$5 at the door
Music

**Festival Park
Witladla**9.30am & 11am
$10
Family

**Avoidable Perils**5pm-8pm
FREE
Special Events
 **Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand
Epic Phannys**6.30pm
FREE
Music

**Brown’s Mart Theatre
The Final Front Ear**1.30pm & 6pm
$25-$35
Theatre

**Browns’ Mart Courtyard
Love Me (Bar)Tender**5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$25
Theatre **I’ll Tell You In Person**5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$20
Theatre

**Happy Yess
Sex and Death (and the Internet)**1.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly
$25
Theatre

 **Darwin Entertainment Centre
Charlie Chaplin Live Cinema**7pm
$30
Film

**Various Venues
Botanicals**7pm-9pm
FREE
Special Events

**SUNDAY 16 AUGUST**

**Sunset Stage at Festival Park
Streets of Darwin**8pm
$26-$30
Music

**Festival Park
Witladla**9.30am & 11am
$10
Family

**Avoidable Perils**5pm-8pm
FREE
Special Events
 **Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand
Chrystal Robins**6.30pm
FREE
Music

**Brown’s Mart Theatre
Whistling Kite New Music**5pm & 7pm
$21-$25
Theatre

**Browns’ Mart Courtyard
Love Me (Bar)Tender**5.30pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$25
Theatre **I’ll Tell You In Person**5pm-8pm Sessions every 30mins
$20
Theatre

**Happy Yess
Sex and Death (and the Internet)**1.30pm-7.30pm Sessions hourly
$25
Theatre

 **Various Venues
Botanicals**7pm-9pm
FREE
Special Events

**FREE ONLINE EVENTS**

**Experience
Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair**6-14 Aug

**Watch
National Indigenous Fashion Awards**Wed 5 Aug 7.30pm

**National Indigenous Music Awards**Sat 8 Aug 6.30pm

 **Listen
Morning Music with Eric Avery**Thu 6 – Sun 16 Aug 7am

**VISUAL ARTS**

**Visit
Telstra NATSIAA**From Sat 8 Aug
MAGNT

**Salon des Refusés**Thu 6 Aug – Sat 26 Sep
CDU Art Gallery

Visit darwinfestival.org.au for the DF20 Visual Arts Program

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**FESTIVAL PARK**

**STILL YOUR FESTIVAL HUB – JUST DONE DIFFERENTLY**

Cnr Smith St & Harry Chan Ave
Open Thu 6 - Sun 16 Aug from 5pm
Closed Mon 10 Aug

PLAN AHEAD. Buy a ticket to a Sunset Stage show to guarantee entry to the Park for that night.

General admission to Festival Park limited by capacity in 2020

BYO CUSHION OR PICNIC RUG and kick back with friends under the stars.

INDULGE IN TASTY TREATS from Bamboo Lounge, Cucina Sotto Le Stelle, Damasquino Café, Hanuman and Trampoline Gelato.

ENJOY FREE MUSIC on the Rimfire Energy Bamboo Bandstand.

Wash your hands, keep your distance, stay home if you’re sick and HAVE FUN!

Visit darwinfestival.org.au for the latest COVID-19 dos and don’ts.