

Douglas Gautier AM CEO & Artistic Director Adelaide Festival Centre

This festival of great artists and great music goes from strength to strength thanks to Slava Grigoryan and his collaborators.

This year we will celebrate our UNESCO connection with a flamenco extravaganza from Seville. Seville was the first UNESCO City of Music and was Adelaide's sponsor city, enabling us to join this prestigious network.

I thank the staff, volunteers, sponsors, artists, and audiences who make this festival such a bright note each winter.

The guitar's versatility as an instrument ranges across many musical genres from classical, flamenco, to jazz, blues and roots, and rock and roll. That is the appeal of this festival and we look forward to sharing it with you.

The Hon. Andrea Michaels Minister for Arts, Government of South Australia

Adelaide Guitar Festival has struck a chord with legendary guitarists across the globe bringing them to South Australia to celebrate the world's most popular instrument.

Testament to the importance of nurturing our own musicians, Adelaide Guitar Festival always provides exceptional opportunities for emerging artists and performances from our rich home grown talent.

The Hon. Peter Malinauskas, Premier Premier of South Australia

The South Australian Government is proud to support the 2023 Adelaide Guitar Festival. As a key demonstration of Adelaide's exceptional music prowess, Adelaide Guitar Festival is a true demonstration of our designation as a UNESCO Creative City of Music in Australia.

I look forward to the special performance by leading flamenco artists direct from Seville, a sister UNESCO City of Music and to welcoming hundreds of guitar loving visitors to this much loved winter festival.

I hope you enjoy this festival as much as I will.

Slava Grigoryan Artistic Director

I'm so pleased to welcome you to our 2023 Adelaide Guitar Festival. For the first time since 2018, we are back with our full international program, featuring wonderful music makers who are at the forefront of their craft and based right here in Adelaide, as well as celebrating pioneers and legends from across the globe.

This year, I am particularly proud to showcase brilliant young South Australian players such as Connor Whyte and Freedom of Fear, who have grown up with Adelaide Guitar Festival, and who are now capturing attention nationally for their outstanding music making.

As musicians continue to shift boundaries and challenge assumptions, our festival continues to highlight the development of guitar playing across all genres. I invite you to discover artists you've never encountered and to join me and music makers from around the world in Adelaide our UNESCO City of Music.



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Adelaide Festival Centre's Adelaide Guitar Festival is produced and held on Kaurna Yarta. We respect First Nations people around Australia and acknowledge the Kaurna people as the traditional custodians of the Adelaide Plains. We honour their cultural and spiritual relationship with their country and we do so in the spirit of reconciliation.

The Milk Carton Kids

With special guest Vera Sola

Known for their delicious harmony singing and intricate finger-picking technique, American folk duo The Milk Carton Kids are outstanding entertainers. Joey Ryan and Kenneth Pattengale joined forces as The Milk Carton Kids in 2011 in their hometown of Eagle Rock California. Since then, the duo has released six albums to great acclaim, earning The Milk Carton Kids two Grammy Award nominations and extensive praise for their devotion to the American folk tradition and contemporary songcraft. Their brilliant musicianship, coupled with ample wit and wry humour make for a thoroughly entertaining evening of song and banter.

They will be joined by special guest Vera Sola, a poet, vocalist and multi-instrumentalist who has been described as the 'lost love child of Leonard Cohen and Nancy Sinatra'. Vera Sola makes timeless, time-bending sound and in the words of the London Sunday Times, she's a creature all her own, 'an utterly singular talent'.

13 July – 7.30pm Her Majesty's Theatre

150mins All Ages

A Res \$69





The Music of Jeff Beck

Experience the electrifying legacy of Jeff Beck, one of the greatest guitarists of all time, in an unforgettable tribute. A keen innovator across blues, jazz and progressive rock, Jeff Beck pioneered jazzrock, experimented with fuzz and distortion effects and paved the way for subgenres such as psych rock and heavy metal over the course of his career.

This special event pays homage to his expansive influence and brings together an all-star line-up of leading Australian musicians, including Paul Mason, who is known for being masterfully adept at Beck's technique and approach, versatile player and educator Jeremy Sawkins, jazz luminary James Muller, multifaceted guitarist Kathleen Halloran, powerhouse vocalist Carla Lippis, and more to be announced. Supported by an outstanding house-band, this will be a phenomenal celebration of Jeff Beck's unparalleled musical legacy.

Full line-up to be announced.

14 July – 7.30pm Her Majesty's Theatre

(L) 150mins

All Ages

Adult \$69

Conc \$59 U30 \$30



Colours of Spain

Andrea González Caballero and Flamenco Suite by Compañía Flamenca Antonio Andrade

Immerse yourself in the peerless passion of Spain, with exquisite classical guitarist Andrea González Caballero and Andalusian powerhouse Compañía Flamenca Antonio Andrade, in a special event exclusive to Adelaide.

This two-part fiesta will first showcase the extraordinary talents of Andrea González Caballero, hailed as "the female voice of the Spanish Guitar" (Operaworld Magazine), who has entranced audiences with her virtuosity since the age of 8.

Next, Antonio Andrade and his brilliant company of five gifted dancers and four astounding musicians will take you travelling through the stunning spectrum of Andalusian dance styles in *Flamenco Suite*. This leading company, direct from Seville, embodies the essence of flamenco's rich cultural heritage, while embracing the influences of jazz, Arabic, and Latin American music on this most iconic Spanish artform. Be enchanted by an evening of breathtaking performances and passionate emotion.

This event celebrates Adelaide's UNESCO Creative Cities connection with Seville, a fellow UNESCO City of Music.

15 July – 8pm Her Majesty's Theatre

150mins

All Ages

Prem \$139

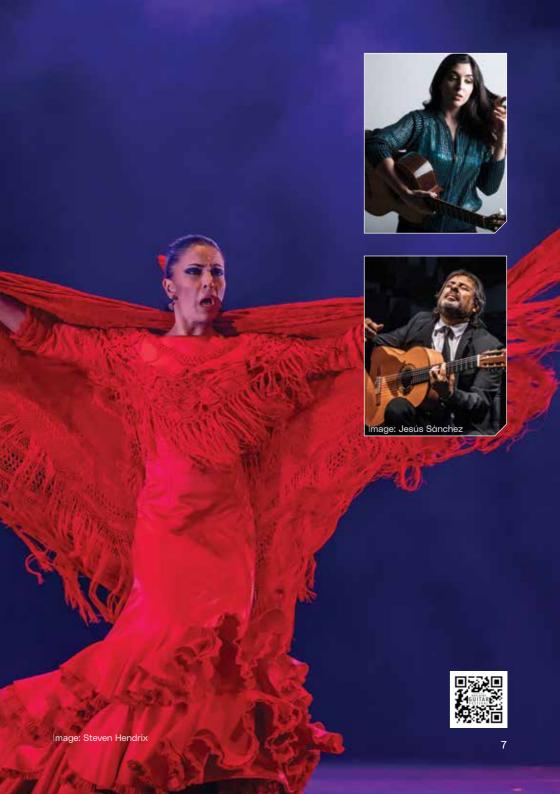
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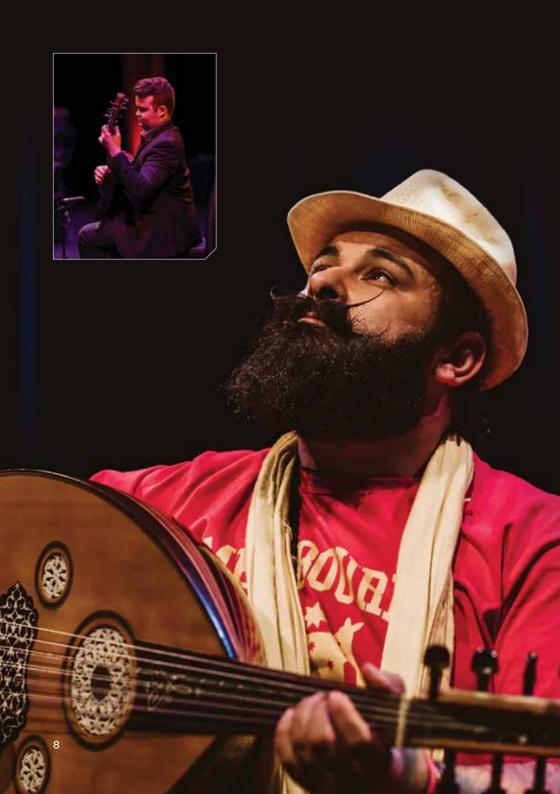
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U30 \$30







Joseph Tawadros

With special guest Connor Whyte

Australia's undisputed and boldly charismatic master of the oud returns to Adelaide for a rare solo performance. Now based in the UK, Joseph Tawadros is a 7-time ARIA award winner, lauded for his enthralling virtuosity and transcendent music. Joseph performs in major concert halls worldwide and is known for his brilliant technique, profound musicianship and joyous style of performance. His drive to push musical boundaries has inspired collaborations with diverse performers and a solid repertoire of innovative, original music.

Sharing the bill is Connor Whyte, the first Adelaidean to triumph in the Adelaide International Classical Guitar Competition. Celebrated for his sublime and sensitive performances, Whyte proudly plays beautiful South Australian instruments and is rapidly emerging as a remarkable concert guitarist. This concert highlights exquisite, intricate skill and magnificent music in an intimate setting.

14 July – 7.30pm Dunstan Playhouse

(L) 150mins

(20min interval)

All Ages

Adult \$59

Conc \$49

U30 \$30





The celebrated Melbourne Guitar Quartet (MGQ) is a driving force in the world of guitar ensemble performance, bringing a rich repertoire of Australian music, contemporary compositions, and imaginative arrangements of beloved classics to life. Together with their unique blend of instrumentation, MGQ's vibrant stage persona and technical flair captivate and delight audiences from seasoned chamber music aficionados to first-time concert goers.

The members of MGQ play a central role as guest tutors at the 2023 Adelaide Guitar Festival Winter School, sharing their ensemble expertise with the Adelaide Guitar Festival Orchestra (AGFO), which has been a mainstay of the festival since its inaugural performance in 2014. Under the leadership of charismatic teacher and composer Dr Paul Svoboda, AGFO brings together young guitarists from across the state in a stunning ensemble, and weaves a shimmeringly textured sonic tapestry. Experience this extraordinary sound. There's nothing quite like it.

15 July – 5pm Dunstan Playhouse

(L) 120mins

All Ages

Adult \$40 Conc \$30



Antoine Boyer & Yeore Kim

With special guest Kathleen Halloran

Nurtured in the cradle of French gypsy jazz, Antoine Boyer moves effortlessly across classical, jazz, avant garde and beyond, with absolute authority and profound musical understanding. At just 27 years of age, he is already known as one of the finest players of his generation and has headlined festivals all over Europe and the USA. He has won prestigious classical awards and was named "Révélation Guitare Classique 2016" by the French magazine Guitare Classique, and comes exclusively to Adelaide Guitar Festival in his Australian debut, together with dazzling Korean harmonica virtuosa and multiinstrumentalist Yeore Kim.

Their performance traverses jazz to gypsy, rock to classical and beyond, with extraordinary creative interplay.

Kicking off the night is Kathleen Halloran, Australia's rising star, known for her work with Australian icon Kate Ceberano and her broad-ranging skills that make her one of the country's most in-demand musicians. 2023 marks a pivotal year for Halloran as she unveils her debut release, amplifying her talents as a vocalist, songwriter, and guitarist. This is a night of extraordinary talent and genre-defying music.



16 July – 5pm Dunstan Playhouse

(L) 120mins

All Ages

Adult \$59 Conc \$49 U30 \$30









Two South Australian music legends, Chris Finnen and Gwyn Ashton share the bill in a world-class night of blues.

Dubbed "the king of feel" by Robert Plant, Gwyn Ashton returns to Adelaide. Ashton, a South Australian Music Hall of Fame inductee, will open the show with his solo folk and swamp rockin' boogie 'n' blues set, including songs from his new album *Mojosoul*. His masterful performances mix electric with acoustic, lap-slide and steel-bodied resonator guitars.

Next, Chris Finnen, an inductee into the New York Blues Hall of Fame, brings his band and his special brand of blues to the Adelaide Guitar Festival stage. Over a career spanning more than 50 years, Finnen's restless musical curiosity has seen him enfold a tapestry of cultural influences into his sound, and his brilliant sensibility has led him to share the stage with the biggest names in blues the world over. His tireless commitment to music-making and strong sense of community make him a treasured gem of the South Australian music scene.





Feel the force of Adelaide's rising stars of metal, Freedom of Fear reverberating in the festival's sonically mesmerising club.

Their electrifying technical skill and powerhouse live shows are catapulting this extraordinary outfit into national recognition. With jaw-dropping dual guitar shredding, astonishing musicianship and magnetic performances, they are hailed as one of the best kept secrets of Australia's metal underground.

Trained in both classical and jazz techniques, guitarists Matt Walters and Corey Davis exemplify technical death and melodic black metal at its virtuosic zenith, merging timeless finesse with fresh raw energy. As Lochlan Watt from Triple J affirms, "They're bridging the class of the old with the excitement of the new." Journey into the vortex of the metal underground with Adelaide's finest, Freedom of Fear.







Paco Lara Quartet: *Duende*

A festival finale flamenco fiesta! Paco Lara, with his quartet of Australia's leading flamenco artists, makes a triumphant return to Adelaide Guitar Festival. Celebrating a distinguished international career of more than 30 years, Paco Lara embodies the authentic spirit—or duende in Spanish—of flamenco.

In this intimate club setting, he unveils new album entitled *Duende*, presenting a captivating fusion of Spanish and Australian music. Inspired by his hometown of Jerez, in the heartland of flamenco, Paco Lara's *Duende* encapsulates the intense soul and passion of this rich genre. Hailed as "magnificently entertaining" by City News, this performance promises a unique blend of cultures, imagination, and the fervour of flamenco. A terrific way to finish the festival!

16 July 7.30pm Space Theatre ① 90mins All Ages Adult \$50

Conc \$40

Talk Sessions

Adelaide Guitar Festival Talk Sessions is a series of free artist talks held in the Artspace across Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 July.

Join compelling guest speakers and presenters as they discuss a wide range of ideas, music, and issues facing the music industry across the jam-packed festival weekend.

15 & 16 July Artspace

Saturday 15 July

10am - 11.30am The Spanish Guitar

The Classical Guitar Society of Victoria explores the influence of Spanish music traditions on the modern classical guitar repertoire and practice. The event will feature examples from the flamenco tradition and some of the transcriptions of Spanish piano music by Isaac Albeniz and Enrique Granados as well as works by other Spanish composers. Spanish snacks will be served during the interval! Presented by Dr. Paul Nash, President of the Classical Guitar Society of Victoria.

12pm – 1pm The Musical Legacy of Jeff Beck

Join guitarist Paul Mason, writer David Sly and a panel of aficionados to discuss the expansive and unparalleled legacy of one of the most influential players of a generation.

2pm - 3pm

Green Music: Carbon neutral touring and creating a sustainable music industry.

How can music the music industry align with the imperatives of reducing emissions? Are music touring, festivals and the presentation of great live shows compatible with addressing climate concerns, and what has to change? Join a panel of passionate experts to tackle one of the greatest challenges facing the music industry.

4pm - 5pm

Finnenisms: Chris Finnen riffs on 70 years of music with David Sly

South Australian legend of the blues in conversation with the co-author of his forthcoming book *Finnenisms*.

Sunday 16 July

11.30am - 12.30pm Mums in Music

Mothers in the music industry discuss the barriers to a balanced career while raising children.

1.30pm - 2.30pm Can A.I. Play Guitar?

With the recent rise in A.I. generated creative content, what role does A.I. play in the future of guitar music?

2.30pm - 3.30pm Songs in Language

Singer songwriter Nathan May and other First Nations songwriters discuss their learnings and challenges writing songs in language and on country.

More details and a full-line up of speakers to be announced.

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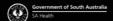
Adelaide Guitar Festival Winter School

A week-long course that provides an opportunity to learn from some of Australia's finest guitarists in a small, immersive, guitar playing and skills development intensive. The two programs on offer are Blues & Roots and Adelaide Guitar Festival Orchestra.

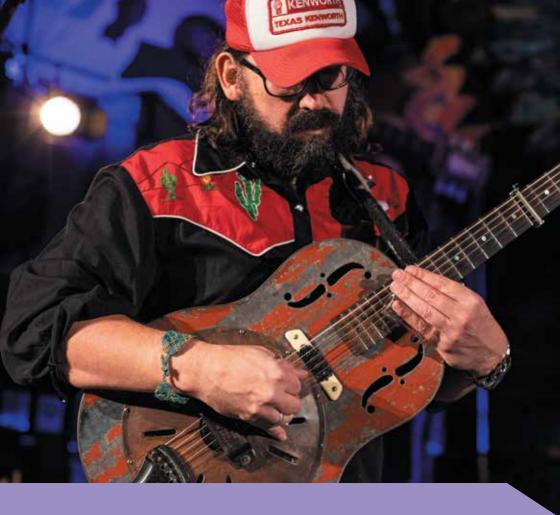
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Blues & Roots

This stream of Adelaide Guitar Festival's Winter School focuses on chord progressions, creative song writing and blues guitar techniques. This year's Blues & Roots participants will perform in a free showcase at 6pm on Friday 14 July.

14 July - 6pm Space Theatre

Adelaide Guitar Festival Orchestra

This stream of Adelaide Guitar
Festival's Winter School is a
program which focuses on nylon
string techniques, ensemble playing
and music reading development,
culminating in a performance with the
Melbourne Guitar Quartet on 15 July.

15 July – 5pm Dunstan Playhouse

Whistle & Trick

Get ready for a musical adventure like no other with Whistle & Trick! This dynamic duo loves to sing, dance, and play, all while entertaining families with their mischievous antics and infectious energy. Alongside their talented 5-piece band and a couple of furry character friends, Whistle & Trick will take your children on a journey through the wacky and wonderful things in life. With a bit of sparkle and cheekiness thrown in, your little ones will be up and dancing in no time! Experience the inner workings of their wild musical brains and enjoy the fun with Whistle & Trick.

16 July 1pm & 3pm **Space Theatre**

(L) 60mins

Ages 0-7

Standard \$25 Family \$80





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ADELAIDE GUITAR FESTIVAL On the Road

From the sandy coast of the state's south-west to the flood-affected Riverland, Adelaide Guitar Festival *On the Road* brings free, family-friendly, curated live performances by leading guitarists to regional South Australia. Working with councils and organisations across the state, the festival program incorporates everything from workshops in schools to family-friendly micro festivals.

Adelaide Guitar Festival *On the Road* aims to work with local artists and communities, while bringing world-class musicians to South Australia's stunning regions and generating economic benefit through the arts.

Adelaide Guitar Festival and Adelaide Festival Centre acknowledge and respect the traditional owners and language groups and Countries visited throughout the *On the Road* tour. We pay our respects to Elders past, present, and emerging and celebrate their enduring connection to Country, knowledge, stories, and songlines.

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Eyre Peninsula

29 June - 3 July

Adelaide Guitar Festival *On the Road* takes centre stage on the picturesque Eyre Peninsula. Beautiful performances meet breathtaking views in Tumby Bay, Cleve, Elliston, Port Lincoln, Ceduna, Streaky Bay and Kimba.







Strum up support for SA's regional communities!

Your donation to Adelaide Guitar Festival will help us take performances to the regions, creating unforgettable experiences for all.

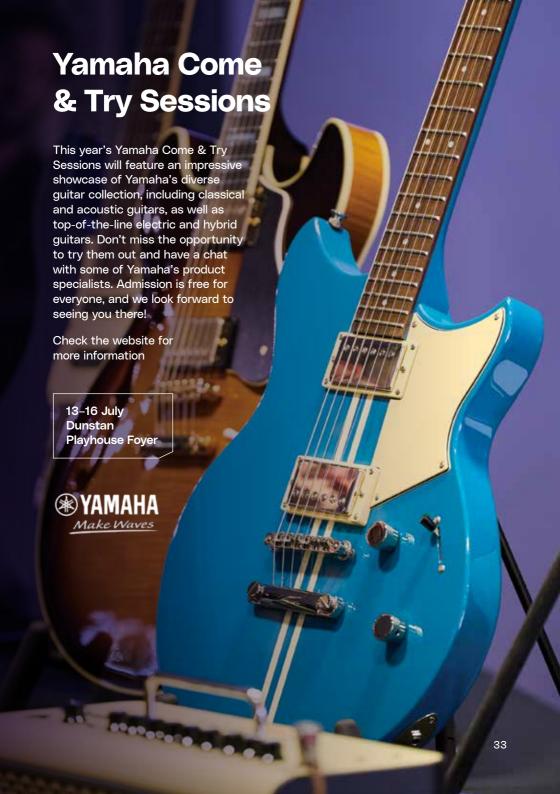
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Adelaide Guitar Festival Expo

The Adelaide Guitar Festival Expo offers an opportunity to get up close and personal with genuinely unique guitars, crafted by Australia's finest luthiers. From Thursday to Sunday, the Dunstan Playhouse foyer will display instruments made from some of the oldest and rarest tonal timbers, sustainable woods, and other materials. Come and meet guitar makers, discuss their techniques and try their guitars.

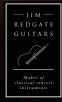
13 & 14 July 4pm-9pm 15 & 16 July 12pm-5pm Dunstan Playhouse Foyer



Adelaide International Classical Guitar Competition

The Adelaide International Classical Guitar Competition, established in 2010, has become the most prestigious guitar competition in the southern hemisphere. This highly esteemed annual event has served as a springboard for numerous up-and-coming artists globally, including Connor Whyte, a talented South Australian local who earned the top prize in 2022. In addition to a cash prize of \$10,000 (AUD), the winner is awarded a coveted Jim Redgate guitar valued at \$23,000 (AUD), as well as a concert performance at the following Adelaide Guitar Festival.

16 July – 10am Dunstan Playhouse







Adelaide Guitar Festival's Resonance program brings together world class guitarists for intimate performances in hospitals, aged care facilities, community centres, and well-being services. Its primary goal is to extend the festival experience to those who might otherwise not be able to attend.

Since its inception in 2016, Resonance has grown significantly, with more performers and presenting partners participating in the program across South Australia each year. In 2023 Resonance takes beautiful live music to 11 residential care services in Whyalla, Port Pirie, Jamestown, Clare and across metropolitan Adelaide.



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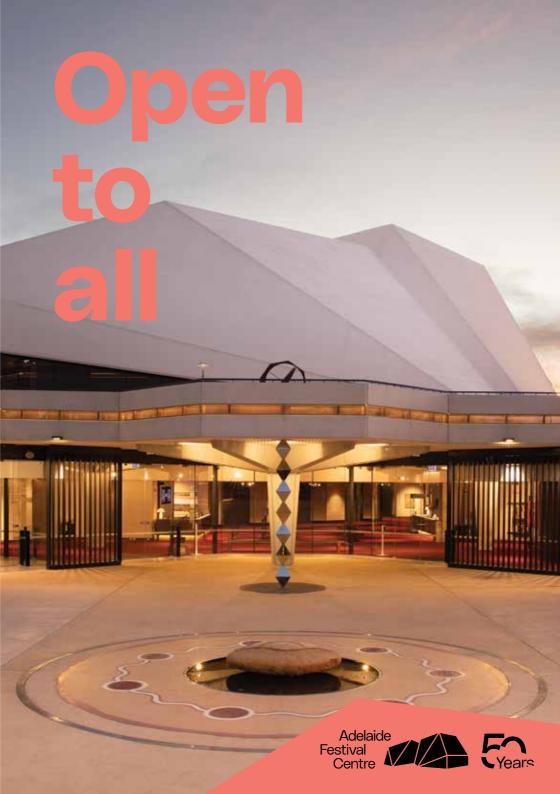








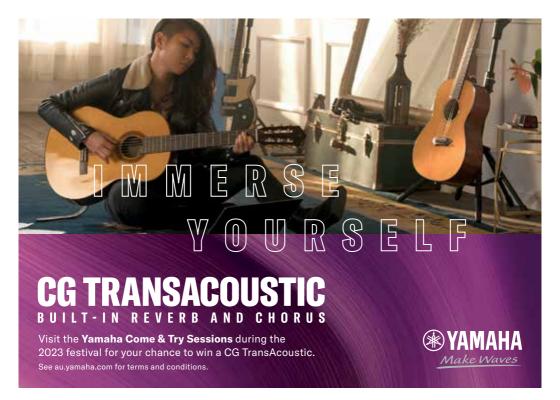
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Festival Timeline

29 June – 3 July	On The Road: Eyre Peninsula	0
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10-14 July	Guitar Winter School	
13 July – 7.30pm	The Milk Carton Kids	Her Majesty's Theatre
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13-16 July	Yamaha Come & Try Sessions	Dunstan Playhouse Foyer
13-16 July	Guitar Expo	Dunstan Playhouse Foyer
14 July – 6pm	Blues & Roots Concert	Space Theatre
14 July – 9pm	Chris Finnen & Gwyn Ashton	Space Theatre
14 July – 7.30pm	Joseph Tawadros & Connor Whyte	Dunstan Playhouse
14 July – 7.30pm	The Music of Jeff Beck	Her Majesty's Theatre
15-16 July	Talk Sessions	Artspace
15 July – 5pm	Melbourne Guitar Quartet & Adelaide Guitar Festival Orchestra	Dunstan Playhouse
15 July – 8pm	Colours of Spain	Her Majesty's Theatre
15 July – 9pm	Freedom of Fear	Space Theatre
16 July – 10am	International Classical Guitar Competition	Dunstan Playhouse
16 July – 1pm & 3pm	Whistle & Trick	Space Theatre
16 July – 5pm	Antoine Boyer & Yeore Kim	Dunstan Playhouse
16 July – 7.30pm	Paco Lara Quartet: Duende	Space Theatre

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How To Book

Online: adelaideguitarfestival.com.au

or ticketek.com.au

In person: Selected Ticketek outlets

By phone: Ticketek at Adelaide Festival Centre on 131 246

Conditions of Ticket Purchase

Lost or Stolen Tickets

For lost or stolen ticket enquiries please contact Ticketek on 131 246.

Concessions

Pensioners, seniors, patrons experiencing unemployment, and full-time students may be entitled to concession prices.

Proof of entitlement may be requested at time of purchase or at the venue. Please make sure you carry your concession cards.

Under 30s Tickets

Under 30s tickets must be collected from the box office with photo ID. Note that capcity for Under 30s tickets is strictly limited.

Transaction Fees

A one-off, non-refundable service and handling fee of \$9.55 applies per transaction; this is regardless of the number or value of items purchased. For further information regarding fees, visit our website: adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au/tickets-info/general-ticket-information

For other enquires, contact: 08 8216 8600 or contact@adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au

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Every effort has been made to ensure that performance dates, times, prices and other information contained herein are correct at time of publication. Refer to adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au for full, updated information and terms and conditions.

Adelaide Festival Centre

Located on the western side of King William Road, approximately 200 metres north of the North Terrace intersection. Its part of the Riverbank precinct, adjacent to Elder Park.

Adelaide Festival Centre includes Festival Theatre, the adjoining Banquet Room, and The Star: Kitchen and Bar, located in the building located closest to King William Road.

Dunstan Playhouse, Artspace and Space Theatre are in the second building, located further down the riverbank on Festival Drive.

Parking: Adelaide Festival Centre

Convention Centre Riverbank Car Park

The nearest car park for Dunstan Playhouse or Space Theatre, is located behind Adelaide Convention Centre on Festival Drive. Once you've parked, the eastern lift will take you to the promenade level where it's a short walk to the theatre entrance.

Festival Plaza Car Park

Please note, there is no lift or pedestrian access from this car park to the Dunstan Playhouse complex.

Accessible Drop Off

An accessible drop off area is located off Festival Drive under the Riverbank Footbridge.

A designated disability drop off is also available 45 minutes before performances. To access this drop off area, turn onto Festival Drive from King William Road, pass the Festival Plaza car park entrance and stay left, driving through the EOS Hotel visitor drop off loop to arrive at the Dunstan Playhouse access drop off.

Her Majesty's Theatre

Located at 58 Grote Street, Adelaide, which is on the north side of the street. You can't miss the beautiful, streetfacing entrance, and although there is no designated drop off area, cars can pause to drop off passengers nearby on Grote Street.

Parking: Her Majesty's Theatre

There are many parking options around the Grote Street precinct, including Pitt Street, and Wilson Parking on Franklin Street.

Access Services

Accessible facilities include a wheelchair loan service, assistive hearing systems, accessible toilets and seat allocations, lifts, and stairfree drop off/pick up locations.

For more information visit: adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au/access

When booking tickets, please inform the operator if you have specific access requirements.

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Established in 1973 and located on Kaurna Yarta, Adelaide Festival Centre is Australia's first capital city arts venue and hosts more than one million people annually. As well as presenting theatre, dance, music, and exhibitions, Adelaide Festival Centre creates diverse festivals to inspire, challenge, educate, and entertain.