

Tarntanya Palti Trukkuku OzAsia Palti Kaurna Yartangka pintyathi.
Ngadlurlu Kaurna miyurna tampinthi. Pukiunangku parna yaitya mathanya Wama Tarntanyaku. Ngadlurlu parnaku tapa purruna parnaku Yarta-itya tampinthi. Ngadlurlu namurli tuwilarra nguyanguya muri-itya wapinthi.

Adelaide Festival Centre's OzAsia Festival is produced 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 spiritual relationship with their country and we do so in the spirit of reconciliation.

Cover - OzAsia Festival 2025

Between Worlds Victoria Garcia, Gouache painting on paper, digital arrangement, 2025



For the OzAsia Festival 2025 hero image, I drew on my experiences as a textile designer and artist, exploring my Asian Australian identity and our connection to the natural world. My travels across Asia—from The Philippines to Sri Lanka—have deeply inspired my work, particularly in relation to themes of migration, interconnectedness, and cultural diversity.

Through pattern design, I use nature as a metaphor to explore how cultures are intertwined, often drawing from global textile traditions. This work celebrates both unity and diversity, reflecting the dynamic relationships within ecosystems, where everything is connected.

The Grey Plover, flying amidst native Australian flora, serves as a central symbol, embodying movement, cultural exchange, and interconnectedness. Its migration between Australia and Taiwan, following the East Asian-Australasian Flyway, speaks to the stories we carry from one place to another, reminding us of how travel and migration shapes connections between people, cultures, and the lands we move through.



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Douglas Gautier AM was the CEO and Artistic Director of Adelaide Festival Centre from 2006.

In this, his final year leading Adelaide Festival Centre, we acknowledge Douglas' pivotal role in founding OzAsia Festival.

Under Douglas' leadership and unwavering passion, OzAsia Festival has flourished over the past 18 years, growing into a vibrant and influential celebration of Asian arts and culture.

With thanks, OzAsia Festival Team





Every year a stellar line up of Asian and Asian Australian artists come together in Adelaide for a three-week showcase of the best in art, music, literature, cuisine and more. From the annual lantern trail and dumpling market to cutting edge contemporary art and performance, OzAsia Festival 2025 promises events and experiences to dazzle the senses and spur the imagination. The state government is proud to support OzAsia Festival's unique celebration of arts and culture and I encourage you to come explore all that it has to offer.

The Hon
Peter Malinauskas MP
Premier of South Australia



Our transformative new cultural policy: A Place to Create ushers in a new era of support for the arts. With an emphasis on ensuring our state's arts organisations thrive, we are delighted to be supporting South Australia's beloved OzAsia Festival. As this program attests, there is much for audiences to look forward to including the world premiere of Australian Dance Theatre's Two Blood, an epic story of love, connection and belonging commissioned by OzAsia Festival. Award-winning, global phenomenon Hiromi is also bringing her genre-defying live show The Piano Quintet to Adelaide Town Hall, seamlessly blending classical and jazz influences. OzAsia Festival is an exciting fusion of Australian and Asian culture right here in Adelaide and is not to be missed!

The Hon
Andrea Michaels MP
Minister for Arts,
South Australia

Niina Marni and welcome

to OzAsia Festival 2025!

Sunny days and balmy evenings can only mean one thing – it's OzAsia Festival time! From intimate shows to spectacular events, we're once again bringing audiences together with Asian and Australian artists. Spanning four weeks, this year's festival runs longer than ever, giving you more chances to gather with family and friends to celebrate culture, creativity, community and connection.

Togetherness is at the heart of OzAsia Festival, so this year we're exploring where that happens and the places we love. From theatres and galleries to the riverbank, parks, and city streets, every space becomes a meeting place.

Perhaps you'll find yourself with your loved ones sharing live music under the setting sun, seeing something extraordinary in a darkened theatre, or encountering art in nooks and crannies around the city. Maybe you're feasting with friends at Lucky Dumpling Market, basking in the glow of lanterns along Karrawirra Parri/River Torrens at Moon Lantern Trail, or discussing bold new ideas with fellow readers and writers at OzAsia Festival's Weekend of Words. Wherever you find yourself, may you be experiencing the festival with your dearest ones, discovering new places or seeing familiar ones anew.

Whether you've been to OzAsia Festival before or are joining us for the first time, we welcome you to the festivities. Come curious, come open, and come ready to celebrate the people and places we call home.

We can't wait to see you!

Joon-Yee Kwok

Festival Director, OzAsia Festival 2025



Milestone

William Yang with Elena Kats-Chernin and Ensemble Lumen

Celebrating his 80th birthday, pioneering artist, William Yang, reflects on his extraordinary life in *Milestone*.

In this ambitious new performance, Yang weaves together an epic slideshow of documentary photographs from his vast collection with personal stories, to explore themes of family, sexuality, and culture with his signature humour and candour. Set against an exquisite score composed and performed by Elena Kats-Chernin with Ensemble Lumen, *Milestone* is a joyous tribute to an Australian icon.

Adelaide Town Hall, Adelaide Fri 31 Oct 7.30pm

Prem (Adult) \$69 Prem (Conc) \$59
A-Res (Adult) \$59 A-Res (Conc) \$49
B-Res (Adult) \$49 B-Res (Conc) \$39

Duration: 100mins

Warnings: Adult themes, images of a sexual nature including nudity.

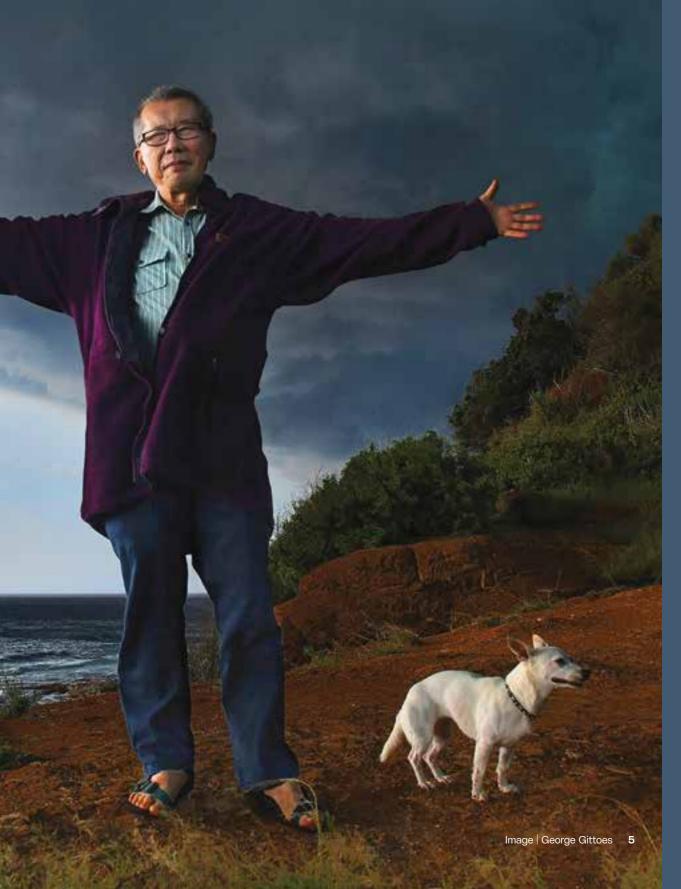
"Milestone is an intimate, often heartbreaking and regularly hilarious portrait of a life ... truly life-affirming work"

City Hub



Artistic Director's Fund

Milestone was co-commissioned by Asia TOPA, Arts Centre Melbourne, Melbourne Symphony Orchestra; Sydney Festival; Contemporary Asian Australian Performance (CAAP); funded by Creative Australia and City of Sydney



Hiromi: The Piano Quintet

feat. PUBLIQuartet

Fearless musical innovator and GRAMMYwinning pianist, Hiromi, is widely regarded as one of Japan's most extraordinary artists.

Renowned for her technical mastery and her remarkable ability to reimagine genre and form, Hiromi erases the lines between jazz and classical, taking audiences on an unchartered sonic journey.

In *The Piano Quintet*, Hiromi expands on her impressive emotional range, joining forces with multi-GRAMMY-nominated string quartet, PUBLIQuartet (USA), to present a breathtaking blend of jazz and classical composition. Highly melodic, intricately arranged and emotionally intense, this suite showcases Hiromi's otherworldly talent as she interacts with the strings with unbridled energy and impeccable precision.

Adelaide Town Hall, Adelaide Tue 28 Oct 7.30pm

 Prem (Adult)
 \$89
 Prem (Conc)
 \$79

 A-Res (Adult)
 \$79
 A-Res (Conc)
 \$69

 B-Res (Adult)
 \$69
 B-Res (Conc)
 \$59

U30s \$30

Duration: 90mins

"One of the most remarkable piano talents of our time" The Arts Desk





Two Blood

Australian Dance Theatre in association with Kurinji

A Tagalaka woman and Cantonese man embark on a forbidden love affair forged in the flames of a burning country. Centuries later, their remains are discovered in a forever embrace, setting into motion a sprawling exploration of belonging that pierces the core of our identity.

Created by visionary artists S. Shakthidharan,
Daniel Riley and Jasmin Sheppard, who has woven
her own family history through the work, *Two*Blood sees Australian Dance Theatre continue
to break new ground with an interdisciplinary
ceremony that blends film, music, and movement
across borders, cultures and time.

Revelling in our multiplicity, *Two Blood* is an intensely physical work that crashes through the narratives that have shaped our nation.

The Odeon Theatre, Norwood Tue 28 & Wed 29 Oct 7.30pm Thu 30 Oct 11.30am & 7.30pm Fri 31 Oct & Sat 1 Nov 7.30pm

Adult \$56 Conc \$45 U30s \$29

Duration: 75mins Suitable: 12+

Warnings: Coarse language, violent themes/imagery including death, racism, strobe lighting, loud noises, haze effects

Co-commissioned by OzAsia Festival, Monash Performing Arts Centre and Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC). Supported by the National Foundation for Australia-China Relations, Australian Government: Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts, and AGSA's Tarnanthi: Festival of Contemporary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art.



Opera for the Dead

祭歌

Monica Lim & Mindy Meng Wang

A contemporary Chinese cyberopera that reimagines the connection between life and death.

Inspired by Chinese mourning rituals, Opera for the Dead 祭歌 is an immersive, multiartform performance combining live musicians and singers with electronic processing, mobile stages, ambisonic sound, and 3D animation. Move freely through the shifting performance space as it transforms from stage to cinema to dance floor, journeying between the real and imaginary, past and present.

An epic work for those who find beauty in the darkness and humour in the macabre.

The Odeon Theatre, Norwood Wed 5 Nov 7pm + Q&A Thu 6 Nov 6pm & 8pm

Adult \$49 Conc \$39 U30s \$30

Duration: 50mins Suitable: 12+

Warnings: Themes of death, loud noises, haze effects This event will move around the

performance space with audiences

standing for the duration.





Commissioned by Asia TOPA, Arts Centre Melbourne. With support from Creative Australia, APRA AMCOS Art Music Fund, Playking Foundation, University of Melbourne, and Abbotsford Convent. Supported by Insite Arts.

Image | Dewie Bukit



Singapore | Dance | Australian Premiere

Searching Blue

The Human Expression (T.H.E)
Dance Company

Walk alongside Singapore's T.H.E Dance Company in a gentle, profound outdoor performance conceived and created by Founding Artistic Director Kuik Swee Boon, tracing shifting relationships between people, places and passers-by.

Guided by Malaysian sound artist Kent Lee's live music, share moments with the dancers—a held hand, a gesture, a gaze. Whether you move with them, accept their gentle invitations, or simply linger nearby, *Searching Blue* reminds us that even amidst the noise and bustle, we can still listen, feel and connect.

Festival Plaza, Adelaide Thu 23 - Sat 25 Oct 6pm

Adult \$39 Conc \$29

Duration: 80mins Suitable: All ages

This outdoor performance will take place rain or shine. Audiences will be required to stand and walk short distances for the duration of the show.





Australia | Dance / Theatre | Adelaide Premiere

Presented by Vitalstatistix

HERE NOW Trilogy

Ryuichi Fujimura

A witty and moving depiction of a life in dance and the relentless desire to just keep dancing.

Performed together for the first time, Ryuichi Fujimura's trilogy of solo dance works, How Did I Get Here?, How I Practice My Religion, and Fall! Falter!! Dance!!!, charts the artist's 25-year journey as a contemporary dancer. Together they capture his journey reckoning with his body's shifting capabilities and the passing of time.

"How rare is this? Dance that makes you laugh out loud" The Sydney Morning Herald

Vitalstatistix, Port Adelaide Wed 5 - Fri 7 Nov 7pm

Adult \$40 Conc \$28

Duration: 90mins (incl. interval)

Suitable: 16+

Warnings: Themes of death, strobe lighting, haze effects

VITALSTATISTIX

Supported by Creative Australia, CreateSA, and City of Port Adelaide Enfield



Iran / Afghanistan / Spain | Music | National Tour

Badieh

Music from Greater Khorasan

Journey through the rich folk traditions of Greater Khorasan with Spanish-Iranian duo, Badieh.

Master musicians, Mohammad Miraghazadeh (setar) and Michel Gasco (rubab) breathe new life into ancient music of a vast cultural region that spans the borders of Iran and Afghanistan. From the sweeping steppes of borderland towns to the ancient spirit of Herat and Torbat-e-Jam, Badieh's soulstirring sound offers a rare glimpse into one of the world's most evocative musical legacies, rarely heard but deeply felt.

"Get ready to be teleported across time and space. Badieh's self-titled debut hearkens to something nigh spiritual that feels ancient as much as eternal."

Everything Is Noise

Nexus Arts Venue, Adelaide Wed 29 Oct 7pm

Adult \$35 Conc \$29

Duration: 60mins Suitable: All ages





Australia / Malaysia / USA | Music / Theatre | Adelaide Premiere

The Offering

(A Plastic Ocean Oratorio)

Omar Musa and Mariel Roberts Musa

Live cello, electronics and sounds of the Bornean forest meet storytelling and hip hop in *The Offering (A Plastic Ocean Oratorio)*.

A nameless water spirit on an endless plastic ocean searches for lost memories and ultimately, humanity. Exploring family, ecological collapse, and Southeast Asian colonial history, *The Offering* is a seafaring epic.

"It is a poetic and musical feast for every discerning theatregoer" Canberra Critics Circle

Nexus Arts Venue, Adelaide Thu 6 Nov 7pm Fri 7 Nov 8pm

Adult \$35 Conc \$29

Duration: 75mins Suitable: All ages

Warnings: Themes of death, strobe lighting, haze effects



Australia | Music | Return Season

The Mixed-Race Tape

Kultar Ahluwalia and Nexus Arts

An autobiographical masterpiece from South Australian hip-hop artist Kultar Ahluwalia, returning from a sold out 2024 season for one night only.

This multidisciplinary performance blends hip-hop with old recordings, family interviews, and spoken word, exploring identity, masculinity, mixed marriage, and fatherhood.

Kultar delves into his Punjabi heritage and upbringing, revealing the miraculous steps that connect us all. A past recipient of the Hilltop Hoods Initiative, Kultar's unique blend of storytelling and hip-hop is a highlight of Adelaide's vibrant scene.

Nexus Arts Venue, Adelaide Tue 4 Nov 7pm

Adult \$35 Conc \$29

Duration: 60mins Suitable: 12+

"...a work so consciously insightful and resonant with the diaspora of many" InDaily



Taiwan | Theatre | Australian Premiere

Embarking on a Drift to the Unknown

Antinomy Company

In 1957, a woman crossed the sea and vanished into an arranged marriage.

Decades later, her granddaughter retells the story in an intimate, audio-immersive solo performance merging soundscapes, fragmented memory, archival media and carried through wireless headphones. Guided by Zi Wei Dou Shu (紫微斗數), a Chinese astrological system, the work explores migration, colonial legacies, and fate as resistance.

Nexus Arts Venue, Adelaide Fri 31 Oct 6pm Sat 1 Nov 7pm

Adult \$35 Conc \$29

Duration: 75mins Suitable: 12+

Warnings: Haze effects

Commissioned by National Kaohsiung Center for the Arts (Weiwuying) and OzAsia Festival





Hong Kong / Australia | Theatre / Music | Australian Premiere

LauZone

Anna Lo x Rick Lau

"Where are you from? Where are you REALLY from?"

Get ready for a euphony of dialects including Cantonese, Putonghua, Chiuchow and Shanghainese as Rick Lau and Anna Lo pay tribute to LauZone, an old colloquial Cantonese term for non-Cantonese natives.

Brimming with song and laughter, Lau and Lo celebrate their ancestral roots and honour the many lives and memories that make up Hong Kong in this poignant and playful cabaret.

Originally commissioned by Tai Kwun (Hong Kong)

Nexus Arts Venue. Adelaide Fri 24 Oct 7.30pm + Q&A Sat 25 Oct 7pm

Adult \$35 Conc \$29

Duration: 70mins Suitable: All ages





India | Music / Visual Art

Elsewhere in India

Return to Technopia Murthovic and Thiruda

In a speculative Indo-futuristic world where global cultures teeter on the brink of extinction, electro-classical Indian music collides with surreal visuals created through a fusion of 3D video games, Al-generated art and motion-captured dance.

Imagined by transmedia artists, Murthovic and Thiruda, *Elsewhere in India: Return to Technopia* is an immersive nightclub experience drawing on their extensive archive exploring cultural heritage, digital technology, and speculative futures, and featuring collaborations with some of Adelaide's most exciting South Asian artists.

"This was not just a music performance, it was an immersive story, a dance party, a show to think about, a deep dive into culture and ethics, and an eruptive performance."

The Upside News

The Lab at ILA, Adelaide Sat 25 Oct 8pm

Adult \$35 Conc \$29

Duration: 3.5hrs Suitable: 12+

Warnings: Strobe lighting, loud and unexpected noises, haze effects







Workshops & Masterclasses

at OzAsia Festival

Experience a rare opportunity to learn from internationally renowned artists at OzAsia Festival.

Our acclaimed artists will deliver workshops and masterclasses for professional artists, families and communities throughout the festival. Stay tuned for announcements on the OzAsia Festival website.

Don't miss your chance to enhance your skills under the guidance of top creative professionals!





The Special Comedy Comedy Special: Greatest Debate

The new Australian dream is never moving out

In a country once defined by independence and the quarteracre block, is the real dream now staying put—with your parents, your grandparents, and maybe your cousin who won't leave?

Join the debate with your favourite Asian Australian comedians for a night of real estate, rice cookers and repressed emotions. Only one team can get the spare room—you decide!

Her Majesty's Theatre, Adelaide Sat 8 Nov 8pm

Adult \$39 Conc \$29

Duration: 90mins Suitable: 16+

Warnings: Coarse language

Moderator

Jason Chong

Lineup

Michael Hing AJ Lamarque Alex Lee Lawrence Leung Sashi Perera Kushi Venkatesh



OzAsia Festival's Weekend of Words

OzAsia Festival's Weekend of Words returns for another year of thought-provoking panels, discussions and conversations at Australia's largest gathering of Asian and Asian Australian writers and thinkers.

Hear from award-winning and internationally recognised novelists, journalists, comedians, poets, playwrights, performers, and special guests from South Korea, Singapore Writers Festival, and Ubud Writers and Readers Festival.

Take part in free workshops on memoir writing, manga, zine-making and more including activities and story time for young readers.

With something for all ages and all interests, OzAsia Festival's Weekend of Words is an inspiring three-day extravaganza of bold voices and big ideas.

Adelaide Convention Centre, Adelaide Fri 7 - Sun 9 Nov

FREE ENTRY

Suitable: All ages

Stay tuned for the full program announcement this September





Asian and Asian Australian writers are reimagining what story means—from memoirs and poetry to graphic novels, podcasts, and bold new fiction—they're changing our understanding of whose story is told and who gets to tell it. OzAsia Festival's Weekend of Words invites you to experience three days of conversations, performances, debates, and readings that are as fearless as they are unforgettable. Whether you're here to listen, laugh, learn, or be inspired to write your own story, this is a weekend where memory meets myth, and every word opens a door.

Sami Shah

Curator, OzAsia Festival's Weekend of Words



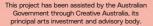


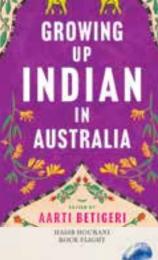






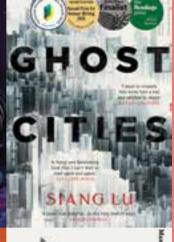




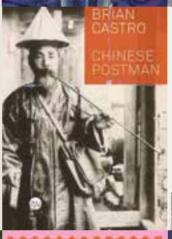




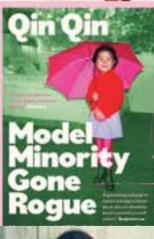


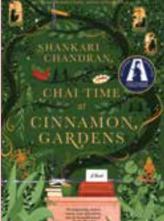




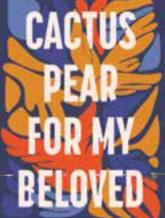














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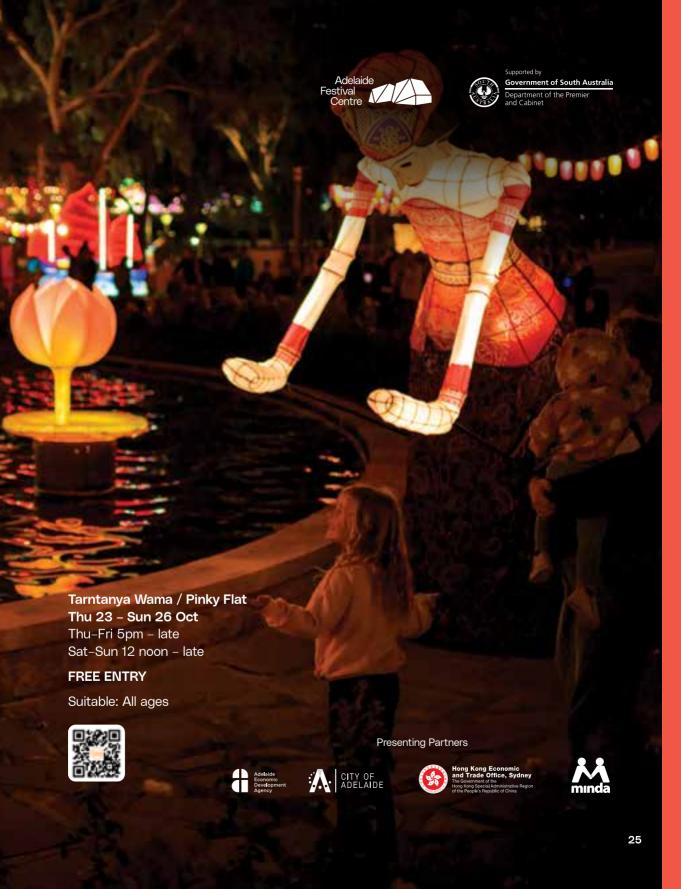


dozen giant lanterns across the parkland.

Take a stroll in the sunshine to admire the lanterns by day, and as night falls be awed as the riverbank transforms into a wonderland of light and sound.

with Adelaide artists and communities.

Follow the trail to an unforgettable OzAsia Festival experience!





Hong Kong Dragon

Back by popular demand!

Adelaide, you couldn't get enough, so we've made it official. Following its debut last year, the spectacular Hong Kong Dragon lantern returns to light up the Riverbank Footbridge, and this year, we're extending its stay. Designed by Hong Kong artist, Vivian Ho, this 40m long, Kowloon Walled City-inspired dragon combines her love of city scenes and connection with nature. A perfect photo moment to capture your memories of OzAsia Festival.

Riverbank Footbridge Fri 17 Oct – Mon 3 Nov FREE

Moon Garden

Come and play in the Moon Garden, a free family-friendly retreat at the heart of Moon Lantern Trail. Get hands-on at Little Lanterns, our daytime workshop and performance program led by local artists and communities, featuring lantern-making, origami, calligraphy, lawn games, storytelling, and more. With shady seating, lush green grass, and Asian food stalls, Moon Garden is your place to take in the beauty of Moon Lantern Trail, by day and by night.

Moon Lantern Trail Tarntanya Wama / Pinky Flat Sat 25 Oct & Sun 26 Oct 12.30pm – 6pm

FREE

Apply for centrED's school program Little Lanterns Day Out on the Adelaide Festival Centre website.

Suitable: All ages







Films and Fun

Laze on the lawn as we turn the OzAsia Festival Stage into a relaxing open-air cinema. Bring your family and friends and settle in with your picnic blanket for a free afternoon movie session at Lucky Dumpling Market.

With games and activities to enjoy before the screening, it's the perfect way to kick off OzAsia Festival with some of our favourite family-friendly films.

2.30pm

Mirai

Anime | PG | 98mins English dub with English subtitles

4.30pm

Kimi no Na wa 君の名は。(Your Name) Anime | PG | 107mins

Japanese with English subtitles

6.30pm

Yellow is Forbidden

Documentary | G | 92mins Chinese Mandarin, English, French with English subtitles

Lucky Dumpling Market, Elder Park Sat 18 & Sun 19 Oct

FREE

Suitable: All ages





Lucky Dumpling Market

Everyone's favourite spring festival hub is back, with delicious food, free entertainment, and fun for the whole family.

Indulge your senses at OzAsia Festival's Lucky Dumpling Market with the sights, sounds, tastes and smells of a bustling Asian open-air food market along the banks of Karrawirra Parri/ River Torrens!

Spend your balmy spring evenings enjoying delicious Asian cuisine from The Philippines, China, Thailand, India, Japan, Nepal, Korea, Vietnam, and more. From bubble tea and baos to noodles and everyone's favourite mouth-watering dumplings, Lucky Dumpling Market is the perfect place to grab a bite with family and friends.

Enjoy free entertainment on the OzAsia Festival Stage each Thursday to Sunday, featuring live music and DJs, along with cultural performances showcasing our wonderful local community groups, plus films, games, and activities for the whole family.

Brought to you by OzAsia Festival and Gluttony, grab your crew and make Lucky Dumpling Market your place to be during OzAsia Festival.

Elder Park, Adelaide Fri 17 Oct – Sun 9 Nov

Tue-Fri 4.30pm - late Sat-Sun 12 noon - late Closed Mondays

FREE ENTRY

Suitable: All ages Images | Xplorer Studio









Australia | Music | Opening Night Partu

Mo'Ju

Filipinx / Wiradyuri artist Mo'Ju is a third gender, third culture kid, whose music traverses a full spectrum of emotion and sonic textures, marrying together glitchy electronic neo-soul production and masterful songwriting, unbound by genre.

Their 2018 album, *Native Tongue* arrived to critical acclaim, igniting long overdue conversations, their visceral brand of storytelling striking at the heart of a country navigating change and unrest.

With their fourth studio LP, ORO, PLATA, MATA, the multiple ARIA-nominated artist and songwriter enters a new creative phase, reawakened, refreshed, and looking to the future while drawing strength and inspiration from the past.

Lucky Dumpling Market OzAsia Festival Stage

Fri 17 Oct 7.30pm

FREE ENTRY

Duration: 60mins Suitable: All ages





Sunset Sounds at Lucky Dumpling Market

Kick back and discover fresh tracks for your playlist with a stellar line-up of exceptional artists.







TUSHAR SA/VIC

Thu 23 Oct 6.30pm

TUSHAR is a South Asian Australian Indie artist based between Naarm/Melbourne and Kaurna Yarta/ Adelaide, TUSHAR's relatable lyrics, ethereal vocals, and energetic sound are sure to uplift your mood whether you're relaxing in the backyard or dancing the night away!

V-Pop Vibe: Chi Xê and Chanaa

Vietnam

Fri 24 Oct

6pm Changg blends singing, rapping, and songwriting with ease. Her honest, emotional tracks about love and self-reflection continue to strike a chord with young audiences.

7.30pm Chi Xê rose to fame on TikTok with her trendsavvy humour and standout musical flair. Her debut track earning over 3.5M YouTube views and 2M Spotify streams.

Riau Rhythm Indonesia

Sat 25 Oct 7.30pm

Contemporary music based on their Malay cultural roots, Riau Rhythm's luxurious melodies are inspired by the Golden Age of Sumatra, Calempona and traditional Indonesian percussion harmonises with violin, cello, flute, and accordion, blending Indonesian and western influences to create a unique version of fusion jazz.

FORD TRIO

Thailand

Sun 26 Oct 6.30pm

FORD TRIO is a boundary-pushing Thai band known for their genre-blending sound and emotionally resonant storytelling. Drawing inspiration from neo soul, alternative rock, and psychedelic idiosyncratic production, the trio has crafted a distinctive style they call Neo Thai Funk-a fusion that's both rooted in Thai musical identity and boldly global in its influences.

Lucky Dumpling Market OzAsia Festival Stage Thu 23 Oct - Sun 9 Nov **FREE ENTRY** Suitable: All ages



OzAsia Festival Planner	Venue	PG	Fri 17 Oct	Sat 18 Oct	Sun 19 Oct	Mon 20 Oct	Tue 21 Oct	Wed 22 Oct	Thu 23 Oct
Milestone	Adelaide Town Hall	4							
Embarking on a Drift to the Unknown	Nexus Arts Venue	17							
LauZone	Nexus Arts Venue	18							
Free-doom Down Under	The Breakout at The Mill	47							5pm
The Special Comedy Comedy Special	Her Majesty's Theatre	21							
Two Blood	The Odeon Theatre, Norwood	8							
Searching Blue	Festival Plaza	12							6pm
HERE NOW Trilogy	Vitalstatistix, Port Adelaide	13							
Hiromi: The Piano Quintet	Adelaide Town Hall	6							
Opera for the Dead	The Odeon Theatre, Norwood	10							
Badieh	Nexus Arts Venue	14							
The Offering (A Plastic Ocean Oratorio)	Nexus Arts Venue	15							
The Mixed-Race Tape	Nexus Arts Venue	16							
Elsewhere in India: Return to Technopia	The Lab at ILA	19							
Mo'Ju *	Lucky Dumpling Market	30	7.30pm						
Sunset Sounds: TUSHAR *	Lucky Dumpling Market	31							6.30pm
Sunset Sounds: V-Pop Vibe *	Lucky Dumpling Market	31							
Sunset Sounds: Riau Rhythm *	Lucky Dumpling Market	31							
Sunset Sounds: FORD TRIO *	Lucky Dumpling Market	31							
Sunset Sounds: San Dragan *	Lucky Dumpling Market	34							
Sunset Sounds: Mariae Cassandra *	Lucky Dumpling Market	34							
Sunset Sounds: Farhan Shah & SufiOz *	Lucky Dumpling Market	34							
Sunset Sounds: BLUGURU *	Lucky Dumpling Market	34							
Sunset Sounds: Sofia Menguita *	Lucky Dumpling Market	35							
Sunset Sounds: YURA *	Lucky Dumpling Market	35							
Sunset Sounds: Keenan Te *	Lucky Dumpling Market	35							
Sunset Sounds: Wild Gloriosa *	Lucky Dumpling Market	35							
Hu木an	Noel Lothian Hall, Adl Botanic Garden	45							
Lucky Dumpling Market *	Elder Park	28							
Moon Lantern Trail *	Tarntanya Wama / Pinky Flat	24							5pm
Hong Kong Dragon *	Riverbank Footbridge	26							
Moon Garden *	Tarntanya Wama / Pinky Flat	26							
Films and Fun: Mirai *	Lucky Dumpling Market	27		2.30pm	2.30pm				
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Sunset Sounds at Lucky Dumpling Market



San Dragan

SA

Thu 30 Oct

6.30pm

San Dragan is a soul-driven singer-songwriter blending experimental electronic with emotional storytelling. Her music explores transformation, vulnerability, and self-discovery, drawing inspiration from artists like Aurora and Hiatus Kaiyote.

Mariae Cassandra

WA

Fri 31 Oct

7.30pm

Since taking out triple j's Unearthed High competition in September 2024 with her song 'Million Billion Trillion' (a love song dedicated to her bestie) this 17-year-old has become one to watch. Mariae creates timeless and catchy songs with the sonic magic and whimsy of her inspirations beabadoobee and Clairo.

Farhan Shah & SufiOz

SA

Sat 1 Nov

7.30pm

Blending traditional
Sufi music with modern
styles, the critically
acclaimed Farhan Shah
& SufiOz promote
peace and tolerance
through music.
With a unique fusion
sound, SufiOz
celebrates cultural
diversity and spiritual
connection, inspiring
audiences worldwide
with soulful melodies.

BLUGURU

SA

Sun 2 Nov

6.30pm

Soaring harmonies meet blistering guitar, fiddle, sitar, tabla, triple mandolins, didgeridoo, and Indian beatboxing in this genre-defying fusion. Featuring Josh Bennett, Andrew Clermont, Parvyn Singh, and guest Tim Bennett, it's a joyous global jam session like no other.

Lucky Dumpling Market
OzAsia Festival Stage
Thu 23 Oct – Sun 9 Nov

FREE ENTRY
Suitable: All ages



Sunset Sounds at Lucky Dumpling Market





Sofia Menguita

SA

Thu 6 Nov

6.30pm Emerging

Emerging from
Adelaide's western
suburbs in 2019 at the
ripe age of fourteen,
Manila-born Sofia
Menguita has been
quietly building an
intimate and personal
discography that
documents the highs,
lows, and in-betweens
of "teen-hood".

YURA

NSW

Fri 7 Nov

7.30pm

Drawing from a wide palette of influences, spanning contemporary R&B, indie pop, and lo-fi. YURA creates a sound that resists easy categorisation.

At OzAsia Festival, she'll be debuting a brand-new live set, introducing a new sound and performance for the first time.

Keenan Te

VIC

Sat 8 Nov 7.30pm

Since discovering the power of TikTok in 2020, Keenan Te has amassed over 5 billion views, capturing hearts and fans worldwide. Known for viral hits with heartfelt melodies and bold storytelling, Keenan's live sets are an immersive blend of personal reflection and universal emotion.

Wild Gloriosa

VIC

Sun 9 Nov

6.30pm

Award-winning artist Wild Gloriosa crafts soulful, seductive soundscapes that blend vulnerability. groove, and spirit. With roots in iazz. soul, and cultural storytelling, her performances invite deep connection, offering audiences a transportive, genrebending experience that lingers long after the last note.

Lucky Dumpling Market
OzAsia Festival Stage
Thu 23 Oct - Sun 9 Nov

FREE ENTRY
Suitable: All ages



Australia / Japan | Community Event

Presented by Japan Australia Friendship Association

AnimeGO!

Japan Pop Culture Festival

Get ready to be spirited away to the streets of Akihabara and into the world of anime, manga, and Japanese pop culture.

Dress up in your best cosplay and unleash your inner otaku for an afternoon of fun and festivities.

Explore the local artist alley, sing your heart out at karaoke, play nostalgic video games, and enjoy live performances, and yummy Japanese street food, plus so much more!

Dom Polski Centre, Adelaide Sun 26 Oct 12 noon – 6pm

Presale \$15 On the day \$18

Duration: 6hrs Suitable: 12+







AdelaideFilmFestival 15–26 October 2025

For session dates, times and tickets, visit adelaidefilmfestival.org from 9 September.



A USEFUL GHOST

2025, Thailand, Singapore Germany, France Thai with English subtitles 130 mins, Unclassified 18+ Director: Ratchapoom Boonbunchachoke

Love, death, grief, and memory are explored in this highly original absurdist romantic drama filled with charming visual wackiness. March is intimately happy with his dead wife, Nat, now haunting their vacuum cleaner. Soon, she is called upon to remove other ghosts.

"Contemporary
Southeast Asian cinema
is made even richer
and stranger by the
addition of Ratchapoom
Boonbunchachoke's
directorial debut."
The Guardian

Awards Grand Prize, Critics Week, Cannes

ALL THAT'S LEFT OF YOU

2025, Germany, Cyprus, Palestine, Jordan, Greece, Qatar, Saudi Arabia Arabic and English with English subtitles 145 mins, Unclassified 15+ Director: Cherien Dabis

When her son is caught up in occupied West Bank protests in 1988, a mother recounts the family history starting with the grandfather's poignant attempt to hold onto the family's Jaffa orange farm as the State of Israel is created.

"Surprising, beautifully textured and deeply moving." The Guardian

Awards

Audience Awards – Sydney and San Francisco.

CACTUS PEARS

2025, India, United Kingdom, Canada Marathi with English subtitles 112 mins, Unclassified 18+ Director: Rohan Parashuram Kanawade

A beautifully filmed romantic drama tenderly evoking rural Indian life, including mourning rituals. The director draws from semi-autobiographical elements to tell the story of queer love among lower caste farmers.

"... takes on radiant form, with emotional complexities born out of characters walking around the truth, if only because euphemisms are the only language they have."

Awards:

Grand Jury Prize World Cinema (Dramatic), Sundance; Winner Special Jury Award, San Francisco

ee the new storytellers

Adelaide Film Festival and OzAsia Festival present stories that explore the diversity of Asian Cinema. Seven films are highlighted here. All are acclaimed award winners and come direct from leading festivals including Cannes, Sundance and Jogjakarta. Whether a comedy, romance, road movie, epic drama or fantasy, at their heart, they explore the impact of injustices on ordinary lives.



IT WAS JUST AN ACCIDENT

2025, Iran, France, Luxembourg Farsi with English subtitles 102 mins, Unclassified 15+ Director: Jafar Panahi

When in the middle of the night a damaged car arrives at mechanic Vahim's garage, a sound triggers his belief that the driver is the prison officer who tortured him. But as he was always blind-folded, can he really be sure?

"Subtly plotted like a good thriller, the movie slowly but surely builds into a stark condemnation of abusive power and its longlasting effects."

The Hollywood Reporter

Awards:

Palme d'Or, Cannes; 2025 Sydney Film Prize

THE PRESIDENT'S CAKE

2025, United States, Iraq, Qatar Arabic and English with English subtitles 103 mins, Unclassified 15+ Director: Hasan Hadi

In 1990s Iraq, all citizens are expected to celebrate President Saddam Hussein's birthday. Despite her prayers, nine-year-old Lamia wins the ballot to bake a cake for her school's celebrations and must venture to the big city to secure the precious ingredients.

"A true gem and a real discovery." Deadline

Awards:

Directors' Fortnight Audience Award & Caméra d'Or for best first feature, Cannes

RESURRECTION

2025, China Chinese with English subtitles 160 mins, Unclassified 18+ Director: Bi Gan

In this alt-reality epic fantasy starring the beloved Jackson Yee and acclaimed Shu Qi, humans can live indefinitely but no longer dream, burning up like candles when they do. But one dissident, the sacred monster, Fantasmer, can dream ecstatically and across time.

"... (this) fascinating phantasmagoria is a wild riddle about new China and an old universe."

The Guardian

Awards:

Special Jury Prize, Cannes

YOHANNA

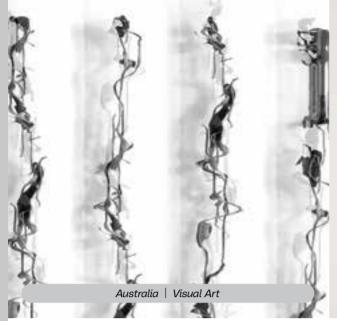
2024, Indonesia, United Kingdom, Italy Indonesian with English subtitles 85 mins, Unclassified 15+ Director: Razka Robby Ertanto

Catholic nun Yohanna frantically searches for the stolen truck she has borrowed to deliver humanitarian supplies to one of Indonesia's poorest provinces, Sumba. Finding herself in a murky world of slave child labour, and desperate to help, she begins trading with her own morality.

"... a profoundly human film." Cineuropa

Awards:

Indonesian Screen Awards (five awards including best picture, direction and performance)





Acts of Holding Dance

Wendy Yu

Projection designer and media artist Wendy Yu believes technology should enhance rather than replace human connection. Her interactive installations invite audiences to become active participants, fostering wonder and meaningful connections between people and their environments.

This large-scale video installation visualises the passage of time through the beauty of movement, inscribing every movement of a dancer's performance into dynamic visuals.

Outdoor Media Screen, Adelaide Festival Centre, King William Road Fri 17 Oct – Sun 30 Nov

FREE

Suitable: All ages

The Lanterns Glow

Jake Yang

Lucky jade, the Chinese zodiac, koi fish, and lustrous silks take over the historic phone booths of Adelaide Railway Station in a site-specific installation by Jake Yang.

Each booth, dedicated to a symbolic Chinese colour (black, white, red, green, and yellow), hosts a playful interaction between painting, textiles, ceramics, and sculptures, rich in motifs and meaning.

In transposing traditional Chinese artefacts, Yang engages in an act of empowerment, exploring and embracing his cultural identity.

Adelaide Railway Station Historic Phone Booths Fri 17 Oct – Wed 31 Dec

FREE

Suitable: All ages

Supported by Renewal SA Artwork | Jake Yang



UNITY

Victoria Garcia

Inspired by her childhood in the Australian bush, Victoria Garcia's interactive gallery installation depicts a textile pattern, a surreal landscape of flora and fauna. Slip into a coat adorned with the same pattern and become one with the art. Camouflaged, take a photo, blurring the lines between the real and imagined. Together with a window installation, Garcia, OzAsia Festival's commissioned cover artist, invites you to reflect on the ways people move between worlds.

Nexus Arts Venue, Adelaide Windows and Gallery Fri 17 Oct – Sun 9 Nov

Nexus Arts Gallery

Tue-Fri 10am – 4pm Also open 1 hour prior to performance times

FREE

Suitable: All ages



Artwork | Victoria Garcia, Unity from Landing Points, 2017



Presented by Art Gallery of South Australia

Touching the Divine

Love and Devotion in Asian Art

Touching the Divine: Love and Devotion in Asian Art explores aspects of love and devotion expressed through art created in sacred contexts across Asia.

Featuring works of art from the AGSA collection this exhibition presents the divine and worldly aspects of devotion expressed through a wide diversity of media created in the context of Buddhism, Hinduism, and Islam.

Art Gallery of South Australia Fri 28 Feb - Sun 23 Nov Open 7 days 10am - 5pm

FREE ENTRY

Suitable: All ages

AGSA

Venkat Raman Singh Shyam born Sijhora, Mandla district, Madhya Pradesh, India 1970 Kali-mata (detail) 2009, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, India ink and synthetic polymer paint on canvas Gift of Barrie and Judith Heaven 2021 Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide



The Female Pope

Rakini Devi

You are invited to an audience with *The Female Pope*.

Witness Rakini Devi's powerful transformative performance, inspired by the 10th-century Pope Joan and the Hindu Goddess Kali. In this interactive, durational performance, Devi challenges patriarchal religious iconography and traditional gender roles in society and religion whilst reclaiming power and protesting misogyny. Across three hours of sacred ritual, come before *The Female Pope*, offer your personal petition, and partake in a meditative encounter.

Elder Wing, Art Gallery of South Australia Sat 1 Nov 1pm - 4pm Mon 3 Nov 1pm - 4pm

FREE ENTRY

Duration: 3hrs (no interval)

Suitable: 18+





Singapore / Malaysia | Visual Art

Presented by the Botanic Gardens and State Herbarium in partnership with the National Museum of Singapore

Tails from the Coasts

Nature Stories of Singapore

From images of the Malayan Bear-Cat to Winghead Sharks, these exquisite 200-year-old watercolours take you on journey across the land, water and skies of Singapore and the Malay Peninsula.

This is a unique opportunity to view the William Farquhar Collection of Natural History Drawings from the National Museum of Singapore, touring beyond the island's shores for the very first time. Marking the 60th anniversary of diplomatic

relations between Singapore and Australia, this landmark exhibition highlights the animals and geographies that unite us.

Museum of Economic Botany, Adelaide Botanic Garden, Adelaide Sat 4 Oct 2025 – Sun 1 Feb 2026 Open 7 days 10am – 4pm

FREE ENTRY

Suitable: All ages



N M S National Museum of Singapore



Singapore / Australia | Theatre | Adelaide Premiere

Hu木an

The Artground and Sensorium Theatre

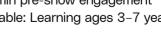
In the enchanted Hu木an, which means forest in Malay, wiggle your fingers and toes through textured leaves, smell the flowers, and play hide-and-seek with Hornbill. Spot Owl under the moonlight and help Kingfisher look after her eggs. Even passing rain brings cheeky Gibbons with a tropical fruit picnic for their new friends. Inspired by some of the works in Tails from the Coasts, Hu木an is a multisensory, inclusive adventure for children with access needs and their friends.

Noel Lothian Hall. Adelaide Botanic Garden Mon 3 Nov 10.30am Sessions for schools available through centrED

Adult \$20 Child \$15

Duration: 45mins

+10min pre-show engagement Suitable: Learning ages 3-7 years











Presented by the City of Adelaide

Gathered Time

Ugnayang Sining at Pamana (USAP) Collective

USAP Collective transforms ART POD into an ordinary Filipino home, inviting you to join them for merienda (snacks) and bunting making every Friday. The art created during the residency will culminate in Magdiwang (to celebrate). Through food, music, performances, storytelling and artmaking, the artists examine fiesta in a contemporary context and the ever-present need for connection and community.

ART POD, 25 Pirie Street, Adelaide Wed 27 Aug – Mon 10 Nov

Public Opening Times

Bunting Making

Fridays 11am - 3pm

Magdiwang (to celebrate)

Fri 7 Nov, 11am - 6pm

FREE ENTRY

Suitable: All ages



Presented by the Migration Museum

About Face

Siew Siang Tay, Con Polychronis

Through portraiture and figurative works, Adelaide artists Siew Siang Tay and Con Polychronis explore the human face as a window into a culture's soul. Tay paints portraits of Chinese people to express her heritage and identity, while Polychronis' figurative works depict Chinese artisan trades, capturing a moment in a person's life. Together, their works offer a close-up perspective, an invitation to see and sense the personal stories behind each visage, tales of hope, joy, and the everyday.

Migration Museum, Adelaide Tue 28 Jul 2025 - Mon 26 Jan 2026 Open 7 days 10am - 5pm

FREE ENTRY

Suitable: All ages

Warnings: Racism/racial slurs





Artwork | Siew Siang Tay





Presented by The Mill

alONEness - một

Dai Trang Nguyen

Mindfulness is the compass in this meditation on solitude, connection and the space between.

Grounded in the present moment, Dai Trang Nguyen allows life to unfold naturally through textiles and mixed media. Created during her Kayangan Residency at The Mill, her large-scale, textile-based sculptures embody một, meaning one in Vietnamese, and reflect her journey through aloneness, loneliness, and oneness. The installation invites quiet contemplation on being alone and together, offering a moment of shared understanding amidst life's chaos.

The Mill Galleries, Adelaide Fri 17 Oct – Fri 28 Nov Mon-Fri 10am – 4pm

FREE ENTRY

Suitable: All ages

alONEness - một was developed through The Mill's Kayangan Residency with support from Drs Geoff Martin and Sorayya Mahmood Martin, CreateSA and Creative Australia

Image | Adele Sliuzas

Presented by The Mill

Free-doom Down Under

Sulochana Dissanayake and Dinuka Liyanawatte

Blending theatre, photography, multimedia and interactive installations, artists Sulochana Dissanyake and Dinuka Liyanawatte take a cheeky look at the experience of skilled migrants who come to Australia in search of a better life. A first glimpse of a new work on what it takes to fit in.

The Breakout at The Mill, Adelaide Thu 23 Oct 5pm Fri 24 Oct 4pm & 6pm

Tickets \$10

Duration: 65mins incl. Q&A

Suitable: 16+

Warnings: Coarse language, violent themes/imagery, racism, strobe lighting, loud and

unexpected noises

Free-doom Down Under was developed through The Mill's OzAsia Festival Performing Arts Residency with support from CreateSA.









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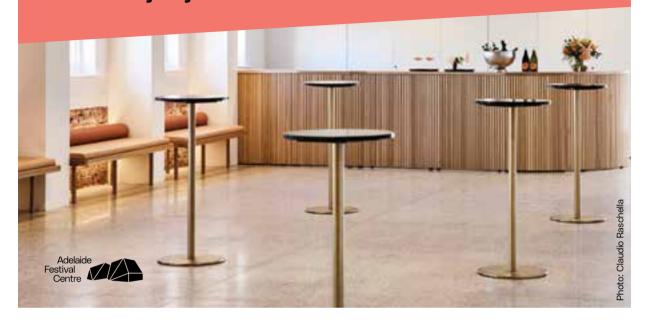




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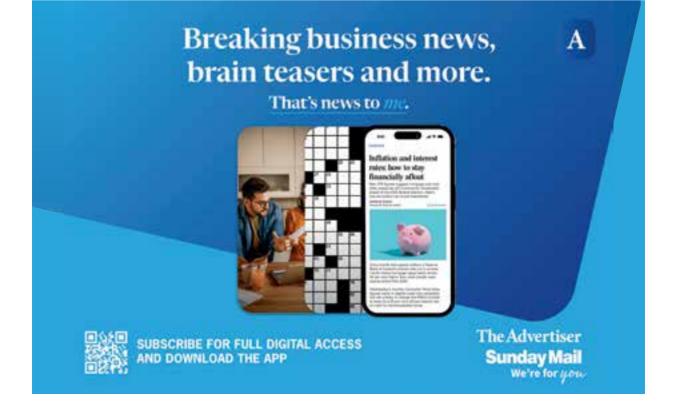
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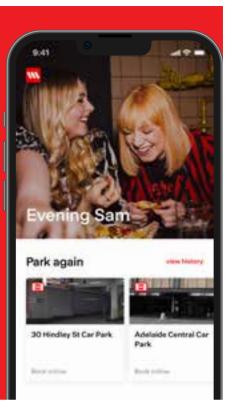
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