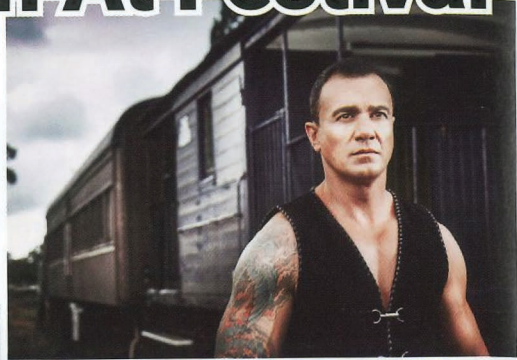


It's Back!

Talent Galore To Perform At Festival Of Arts

Shannon Noll will be rocking the G&S Engineering Wine and Food Festival and Festival Club After Party in 2021.



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No one should be belting out “What about me?” once they get a “Bo Peep” at the official Mackay Festival of Arts program.

Instead, leave that to the experts – the Festivals team have announced Shannon Noll will be rocking this year’s G&S Engineering Wine and Food Festival and Festival Club After Party.

Mayor Greg Williamson said the 2021 Mackay Festival of Arts had it all – rock and roll; jazz; disco; opera; acrobatics; gigantic, illuminated puppets; tuk tuks; a world premiere musical; an X Factor winner; giant Gouldian finches and much more.

“This festival is the celebration of local talent, culture, colour, music and food we all need in 2021,” Mayor Williamson said.

“And it might well be one of the most exciting and diverse festivals the team have delivered,” he said.

“For the young, and young at heart, we’ve locked in Shaun the Sheep’s Circus Show, Charlotte’s Web and some fun silent disco tours complete with a funky ‘disco guru’ tour guide.

“As for musical talent, the program is alive with it – from X Factor winner

Isaiah Firebrace to the Aussie pub rock icon that is ‘Nollsy’.

The Mayor also said for those who like their music in the theatre, there’s the all-local creation Heading North, the Joel Bow production featuring the writing of S.K. Munt and music of Graeme Connors.

“And Opera Australia is presenting Bizet’s Carmen, complete with thrilling Spanish colour and rhythms, amazing sets and vintage-inspired costumes,” he added.

“With Shannon Noll headlining the line-up of 13 tremendous musical acts, this year’s event will undoubtedly be a standout and a great 20-year milestone.”

Of course, DBCT Illuminate is also back!

The Mayor said installation 4.0 would be spellbinding in its new venue along the Bluewater Trail.

“It will be our most interactive DBCT Illuminate yet and will feature ‘String Symphony’, a giant illuminated puppet, hand-woven using more than a kilometre of rope,” he said.

Grab a hardcopy festival program from the Box Office or check it out