

STRINGS ATTACHED

THE WEST AUSTRALIAN GUITAR FESTIVAL

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MARGARET RIVER 6-8 OCTOBER 2023



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WELCOME TO

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We would like to Acknowledge the Yoongan Jarli (Traditional Owners) of this Boodjara (land) we live and work on and pay our respect to the Deemela Goomala, (Elders / Ancestors) and Djanga (Spirits) Moort (Family) Yen (Past) and Borda (Future) and the Wah (Present).



ISZAAC WEBB · WADANDI CULTURAL CUSTODIAN

WELCOME GUITAR PLAYERS, MAKERS & LOVERS!

Welcome back to Wooditchup Bilya - Margaret River for the fourth edition of Strings Attached: The West Australian Guitar Festival; a true showcase of guitars and guitarists from right here in WA, complimented by a taste of what's happening in the world of strings beyond these shores.

If you've been before - welcome back! If this is your first time, we hope you're ready for 3 days of live music, hands on workshops, panel discussions, demos and masterclasses, plus a massive display of instruments, gear and more from WA luthiers & retailers which you can check out at Margaret River HEART all weekend.

As always, we've strived to put together a program which reflects the diversity with which the guitar is played and enjoyed, right from its origins through to modern innovations in design and evolution of playing techniques. While it's impossible to fit everything and everyone into a weekend, I give my all year on year to best represent instrument makers and players and provide them with a platform on which to share their crafts, along with an engaged community of enthusiasts who value music, craftsmanship and creativity.

Massive thanks to you for supporting the festival by showing up year after year; events are nothing without the community behind them - ticket buyers, talent, staff, sponsors, volunteers and support crew - and I hope that you continue to enjoy everything that this incredible community offers - new bands, new skills, friends, songs and even new instruments!

Enjoy and see you at Strings!

DAN WHITE · ARTISTIC DIRECTOR



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WELCOME MESSAGE

FROM HON RITA SAFFIOTI MLA, DEPUTY PREMIER; MINISTER FOR TOURISM
AND HON DON PUNCH MLC, MINISTER FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The State Government is a proud sponsor of the Strings Attached: The West Australian Guitar Festival through Tourism Western Australia's Regional Events Scheme (RES).

RES was established to support event holders across WA with the development of events to drive tourism to regional Western Australia. The scheme plays an important role in positioning the state's five tourism regions as exciting destinations to visit and great places to live by showcasing and promoting the host region's unique and diverse attractions.

A total of 65 regional events across WA have been funded through the 2023-24 RES, which also includes a \$250,000 funding pool for the Regional Aboriginal Events Scheme, which exclusively allocates funding to events delivering Aboriginal activities and experiences.

The State Government, through Tourism WA, is proud to sponsor these regional events, which help bring vitality to local communities and drive visitor spend, injecting millions into regional economies.

Tourism is a key part of the State Government's plan to diversify the economy, create jobs and develop business opportunities, especially in regional Western Australia.

Events play an important role in this plan, with the State Government sponsoring a range of sporting, cultural, arts and culinary events across Western Australia through Tourism WA, to attract visitors to our state and encourage them to stay longer, disperse further and spend more while they are here.

We hope everyone enjoys this event and takes the time to explore the South West region.



A white, stylized handwritten signature of Rita Saffioti.

HON RITA SAFFIOTI MLA

DEPUTY PREMIER; MINISTER FOR TOURISM



A white, stylized handwritten signature of Don Punch.

HON DON PUNCH MLC

MINISTER FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

WALKING ON A DREAM

MARGARET RIVER REGION

Discover Australia's most premium wine region nestled among pristine beaches, ancient caves and tall-timber forests.

Choose your dream adventure

- Hit the road less travelled and head out on one of the region's many mountain biking and cycling trails in Nannup and Pemberton, including the world-famous Munda Biddi.
- Go on an underground tour to explore the magical awe of the region's four ancient limestone caves – Jewel, Lake, Mammoth and Ngilgi.
- Recharge your spirit and try coasteering, stand up paddle boarding, mountain biking or horse riding.
- Taste the region's finest drops on a winery, distillery or brewery tour.
- Immerse yourself in Wardandi Noongar culture on an Aboriginal tour and taste the flavours and learn the stories of this region.
- Picnic or camp among the karri trees in Boranup Forest and stargaze at an endless canopy of constellations at Injidup Natural Spa.
- Catch world class waves with over 135 km of coastline and 75 breaks to choose from – there's a wave here for everyone.
- Walk a section of the 135km-long Cape to Cape Track (or all of it, if you're game!), and spot sea creatures, beautiful wildflowers and magnificent coast along the way.
- Wander further and experience where the Southern and Indian Ocean meet at Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse, Australia's tallest mainland lighthouse.
- Cruise alongside migrating humpback, southern right and blue whales on a charter from Augusta, Busselton or Dunsborough.

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A WORD FROM THE CHAIR

This year, I'm honoured to take on the role of Chair for the West Australian Guitar Festival, succeeding the great work by Leon Ryan. The festival has always held a special place in my heart. From my early days as a student mentor, sponsor and moments on stage, I've seen firsthand the growth and impact of this event.

Margaret River comes alive every year with the festival, and I've often described it as 'one of the greatest festivals'. As the new Chair, I'm dedicated to upholding the legacy that Leon and the team have built over the years. It's a responsibility I'm committed to, ensuring the festival continues to shine.

The success of the festival is a team effort. It's the artists, the venues, our sponsors, the Board, the Festival Team, and the invaluable support from Arts Margaret River that make it all come together. To all our attendees, your enthusiasm and love for the guitar in all genres of music are what drive us to make each year better than the last.

As we gear up for this year's festival, I invite everyone to dive into the workshops, presentations, and concerts. Let's celebrate the music, the community, and the moments that make the West Australian Guitar Festival so special.

Thank you for being a part of this journey. I'm excited for what's ahead and am committed to help make the West Australian Guitar Festival a memorable experience for all.

SAM CUTRI · CHAIR · THE WEST AUSTRALIAN GUITAR FESTIVAL INC.



· WORKSHOP

Includes all interactive & presentation style events. Check event listing online for more info + what to bring. Please arrive 10-15mins before the scheduled start time.



· YOUTH ONLY EVENT

Free for U25's • Responsible adult staff members will be in attendance. BYO instrument. See Youth Program at www.waguitarfestival.com.au/youth-program for info.



· OVER 18'S ONLY

U18's not permitted after 9pm. *Note: all events other than these are all ages, however U18's must be accompanied at all times by a parent or guardian if it is not a youth event.



· FREE EVENT

Entry is permitted to all free of charge - come along and enjoy!



· BYO INSTRUMENT

Attendees are welcome to bring their instrument and/or equipment if they wish, though observers are welcome at most workshops - please refer to each event listing on Facebook if in doubt.



FESTIVAL INFORMATION

GOT Q'S?

Come and see the festival team at the box office, Margaret River HEART or email us at hello@stringsattachedfestival.com.au



MARGARET RIVER HEART

THE BOX OFFICE

COME AND SEE US TO COLLECT YOUR FESTIVAL PASSES, POCKET PROGRAMS, MERCH, INDIVIDUAL EVENT TIX AND MORE!



OPENING NIGHT

KICK OFF YOUR WEEKEND WITH US AT THE HEART, FRIDAY 6TH OCT!
DOORS @ 4PM, WELCOME TO COUNTRY & SPEECHES @ 7PM

• CHECK OUT THE EXHIBITION! •

OPEN ALL WEEKEND IN THE FOYER @ MARGARET RIVER HEART • FREE ENTRY
4PM-8PM FRI • 9.30AM-5PM SAT • 9.30AM-3PM SUN

THE SOUND SHELL

LIVE MUSIC ALL WEEKEND!



4.20-5.00PM • LIVID LILLITH

5.20-6.00PM • PAT TIERNEY (QLD)



6.20-7.00PM • VICTORIA PALERMO



7.30-8.00PM • LEAH BALLANTYNE





M.R. HEART - SOUNDSHELL

SATURDAY

FREE LIVE MUSIC ALL DAY!

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10.20-11.00AM - UKE CLUB MARGARET RIVER



11.30AM-12.00PM - MIA LOUISE



12.20-1.00PM - IAN WEGGLER



1.20-2.00PM - THE ADJUSTMENT



2.20-3.00PM - CLEO DESTOUCHES



3.20-4.00PM - MARCUS MCGUIRE



4.20-5.00PM - BEN CATLEY



5.20-6.00PM - LOUIS REBEIRO & THE BLUES MACHINE



M.R. HEART - SOUNDSHELL

SUNDAY

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10.00-10.45AM - SHIRAZZ JAZZ GYPSIES



11.00-11.40AM - AUSTIN HANNAN
2022 Youth Scholarship winner



12.00-12.40PM - VICTORIA PALERMO



1.00PM-1.40PM - THE ADJUSTMENT



APPLY FOR A 2023 YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

Investing in our future creatives is an important part of the Festival's mission to support the local music industry and the West Australian community of artists, craftsmen & women and arts workers.

As part of this, the Festival offers Youth Scholarships each year for two aspiring local youths under 25 years old.

GO TO: WAGUITARFESTIVAL.COM.AU/YOUTH





M.R. HEART - MAIN THEATRE

FRIDAY

CLASSICAL CONCERT

5.00-5.20PM · MRSHS GUITAR ENSEMBLES

5.20-5.50PM · DON CANDY

5.55-6.25PM · MORGAN REMAJ (EU)

6.30-7.00PM · IMSS GUITAR ENSEMBLE



WORLD MUSIC CONCERT

8.00-8.45PM · MADE MAWUT (IDN)

9.00-9.45PM · DUENDE INDALO

SATURDAY

11.30AM-12.30PM ·

FINDING THE BLUES FT. COREY LEGGE (NSW)

MARCUS MCGUIRE · MADE MAWUT (IDN)



2.00-3.30PM · LARRY MITCHELL (USA) MASTERCLASS



M.R. HEART - MAIN THEATRE

SATURDAY

FINGERSTYLE CONCERT

6.00-6.35PM · NICK NORTHCOTT

6.40-7.25PM · JORDAN BRODIE (QLD)

• PLUS 3 time Golden Guitar winner •

7.35-8.30PM · MICHAEL FIX (QLD)



SUNDAY



10.00-11.00AM · STAGECRAFT MASTERCLASS

WITH MICHAEL FIX (QLD)



UKULELE · CONCERT ·



12.00-12.30PM · UKES OF KLAD

12.35-1.10PM · EMJAY ANGENI

1.15-2.00PM · PAUL JONSON SING 'N UKE (NZ)



M.R. HEART - STUDIO THEATRE

SATURDAY

10.00-11.00AM -
SLIDE GUITAR & OPEN TUNINGS
TRACEY BARNETT - COREY LEGGE (NSW)
DAVE MANN - PAT TIERNEY (QLD)



12.45-1.45PM -
ALL THINGS LUTHERIE
SCOTT WISE - PAT TIERNEY (QLD)
+ GUESTS

3.30-4.30PM -
SING'N UKE
PAUL JONSON (NZ)



JAZZ CONCERT -
6.00-7.00PM - GET MONKED WITH
JANINE ANDREWS & MIKE ELLIS
7.15-8.15PM - LA MAUVAISE RÉPUTATION (VIC)



M.R. HEART - STUDIO THEATRE

SUNDAY

10.00-11.00AM ·
THE UKULELE: 1879-2024
SCOTT WISE



12.00-1.00PM ·
LISTENING SESSION WITH
MICHAEL FIX · JORDAN BRODIE · LARRY MITCHELL





THE RIVER

SATURDAY

11.30AM-12.30PM · INTRO TO FINGERSTYLE GUITAR
JORDAN BRODIE (QLD)



2.00-3.00PM · BLUES LICKS
COREY LEGGE (NSW)

THE MAIN EVENT

7.00-7.40PM · TRACEY BARNETT

7.55-8.40PM · MADE MAWUT (IDN)

8.55-9.45PM · CHILDREN OF THE TIDE

10.00-11.00PM · LARRY MITCHELL (USA)

18+





THE RIVER

SUNDAY

11.00AM-12.30PM - GUITAR TONE & RECORDING
VDELLI



1.30-2.30PM - SONGWRITING TO WELLNESS
TRACEY BARNETT

SUNDAY SESH

4.30-5.30PM - LAINE WOLFE

6.00-7.30PM - SKIFFLE PARTY



THE RIVER

MARGARET RIVER

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THE RIVER



SETTLERS TAVERN

FRIDAY

9.30-10.10PM · PAT TIERNEY (QLD)

10.20-11.00PM · COREY LEGGE (NSW)

11.10PM-12AM · LOUIS REBIERO &
THE BLUES MACHINE



18+

SATURDAY



18+

9.30-10.15PM · BEN CATLEY

10.30-11.45PM · VDELLI

SUNDAY

3.00-4.15PM · CLEO DESTOUCHES

4.45-6.00PM · CHIEF MONKEY



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THE ZONE ROOM

SATURDAY

10.00-11.00AM -
TAKE THE STAGE
IAN WEGGLER



12.00-1.00PM -
INTRO TO FINGERSTYLE GUITAR
NICK NORTHCOTT



2.00-3.00PM -
GETTING PSYCHED ON GUITAR
BEN CATLEY



SUNDAY



11.00AM-12.00PM -
SONGWRITING & STAGECRAFT
WITH THE ADJUSTMENT TRIO





M.R. BREWHOUSE

FRIDAY

4.30-7.00PM - WHISKEY JACK

**MAKE SURE TO CALL AND BOOK A TABLE!*

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SUNDAY



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4.30-7.00PM - IAN WEGGLER

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WEEKEND WIND UP - SUNDAY

4.30-5.10PM · FLOYD THURSBY (VIC)



5.25-6.05PM · WHISKEY JACK

6.20-7.05PM · KIKI & CO



7.20-8.30PM · ABBE MAY (BAND)

8.45-10.00PM · ARTIST JAM SESSION



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MARGARET RIVER 6 - 8 OCTOBER 2023



FROTH CRAFT BUNBREWERY

WATCH OUT BUNBURY!

Strings is coming to Bunbury for the first time ever! Can't wait for the weekend to get a taste or just need more guitar in your life? Our mates at Froth Bunbrewery will be hosting a pre-fest shindig on **Thursday 5th October** featuring a load of talented performers, audience Q&A and more!

**Tickets for the Bunbury event are separate to the main festival - see www.waguitarfestival.com.au/bunbury-launch-2023 for more info.*

6.45-7.15PM · PAT TIERNEY (QLD)



7.30-8.00PM · MADE MAWUT (IDN)

8.15-8.45PM · TRACEY BARNETT



9.00-9.30PM · COREY LEGGE (NSW)

9.45-11.00PM · THE DEAD FLOWERS

7pc Rolling Stones Tribute featuring members of YouAmI, The Clash and more!





THE FESTIVAL TEAM



SARA WARREN
FESTIVAL DIRECTOR



DAN WHITE
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KALI NORMAN
MARKETING MANAGER



CHRIS BAKER
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TOM FISHER



EDDIE DONATO



JOHN STRICKLAND

LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK!



We'd love to hear your feedback so that we can keep building and improving the Festival each year! What did you love? What didn't you enjoy? What would you like to see added to the program in years to come?

We're passionate about continuing to develop an event which invests in our future, inspires the next generation of shredders (both of strings and wood), and one which leaves a long lasting positive impact on both the local community and industry, so thanks for coming, thanks for strumming and stay tuned!

The Festival Team - hello@stringsattachedfestival.com.au



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