



MEDIA RELEASE: For immediate release

SOTA Festival gets even bigger with over 35 additional acts, plus the chance to win two Etihad return economy flights to London and VIP tickets to see WA bands perform at Bestival!

This year's SOTA Festival has already taken WA by storm, with a huge line up of home grown talent including **Birds Of Tokyo** and **You Am I.** A bevy of bands are already confirmed to take over the Perth Cultural Centre, across multiple stages on Saturday 30th May as part of the WA Day long weekend celebrations.

SOTA has gotten even bigger with the addition of over 35 WA artists to two **FREE stages**. The **PICA Stage** and the **Wetlands Stage** will boast incredible WA talent for all to enjoy, encouraging families and music enthusiasts all over Perth to sit back, relax and enjoy these free performances. There'll also be intimate and stripped back performances near the WA Street Food area, showcasing some incredible songwriting prowess from emerging talent.

But that's not all. Thanks to our friends at Etihad, you could **win two return economy flights to London, plus VIP camping tickets to Bestival**, featuring **WA's own Tame Impala** and **Pond!** All you need to do is purchase a ticket to SOTA and answer a few simple questions. Those who have already purchased their tickets will soon receive notification as to how they can enter. The competition is open now and will close on Friday 29th May at 11.59pm WST and terms and conditions are available at www.sotafest.com.au.

SOTA Surrounds features;

BOYS BOYS!| BRAD HALL| CUSTOM ROYAL| DAVID CRAFT| DREAM RIMMY ENSEMBLE FORMIDABLE| FLOODED PALACE| HUSBAND| JONI IN THE MOON LEGS ELECTRIC| LITTLE LORD STREET BAND| MAURICE FLAVEL'S INTENSIVE CARE MOANA| ODETTE MERCY AND HER SOUL ATOMICS| OUR MAN IN BERLIN PATIENT LITTLE SISTER| RACHAEL DEASE| RILEY PEARCE| THE WEAPON IS SOUND WANMA PRESENTS: DECIBEL'S STUART JAMES PLAYS THE INFINITY MACHINE and PINATA PERCUSSION | plus the return of the MC BATTLE



Along with stripped back performances from;

BEN WITT | CHARLOTTE VINNEY | CLAUDIA TERO | HELEN SHANAHAN HINDLEY | JACOB DIAMOND | JUSTIN WALSHE | KATIE J WHITE | PETE BYFIELD ROBBIE JALAPENO | RUSSELL AND TOM | SEGERS | XANTHEA

If that's not quite enough for you, the Rough Love Sessions at PICA Bar will showcase some of Perth's best up and coming DJs and producers from 6pm until late: Dave Samuel, Kid Deep, Lenard Lewis Ft Giorgio Bano, Mot3k, +1 and Tenru.

These artists will join;

BIRDS OF TOKYO YOU AM I

THE SCIENTISTS | DOWNSYDE | GARETH LIDDIARD | KATY STEELE
SABLE | THE LOVE JUNKIES | TIMOTHY NELSON & THE INFIDELS
ROB SNARSKI | HOLY ROLLERS (REUNION SHOW) | RAINY DAY WOMEN
WE TWO THIEVES | LOIS OLNEY | MT MOUNTAIN | LOWER SPECTRUM
GRACE BARBE | BOOM! BAP! POW | KOI CHILD
HIDEOUS SUN DEMON | LILT | RAG N BONE | MARKSMAN LLOYD
THE COMMUNITY SUPERGROUP (FEAT. DIGER ROKWELL, EMPTY, WISDOM 2TH & MORE)

This year's line up has been designed to offer something for everyone, spanning eras and genres, from emerging to nostalgic artists. SOTA is a celebration of WA born, WA bred and WA based artists; it's a unique opportunity to check out our best local talent at the one festival and at one great price.

For a ticket price of \$55 + BF, attendees will be given access to the WA Museum Stage, the Urban Orchard Stage and the State Theatre Centre of WA's Courtyard Stage. SOTA will also feature acoustic performances, multiple licensed areas and WA street food.

The festival is **proudly presented by Celebrate WA**ⁱ, in association with WAM, and builds on the success of the 2014 event.

Celebrate WA's Chief Executive Officer Patria Jafferies said: "We are proud to present our 4th annual SOTA music festival, championing our incredible WA music industry. Thanks to our sponsors who contribute towards keeping the ticket price low in an effort to support, nurture and grow the creative opportunities for local artists, and to further position contemporary music as a leading cultural identifier for WA.

"The popularity and awareness of SOTA continues to grow from year to year and is an exciting event on the WA music lovers calendar. With a stellar line up and a dedicated focus on showcasing WA talent, the festival is sure to continue its growth and appeal through this year's offering."

Tickets are on sale from www.sotafest.com.au(.)

Alternatively join the conversation on social media using #sotafest #waday <u>www.facebook.com/sotafestival</u>. SOTA is a licensed all ages event.





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i Information on Celebrate WA

Celebrate WA is a not-for-profit organisation responsible for promoting and organising the annual WA Day celebrations; promoting excellence and achievement by Western Australians in all fields of endeavour; and encouraging pride in all things Western Australian

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