

Australia Day LIVE 2010

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Thursday 21st January

Australia Day Live 2010 Event Advice

Get ready to party at the FREE 2010 Australia Day Live concert, held on Australia Day eve, January 25 on the lawns of Parliament House.

This year's concert will feature Australia's finest home grown music talent including, Ian Moss, Bertie Blackman, Evermore, Bob Evans, Phrase, Rouge Traders, Cassie Davis, Hayley Warner and Amy Meredith. There is sure to be something for everyone, so make sure you get down to Parliament House early to secure your spot on the grass.

To ensure the ultimate concert experience, get prepared, with the following event advice from the National Australia Day Council.

Transport to and from the concert

- Take a bus to the concert. ACTION will be running normal bus services on Monday January 25. Catch Inter-town Route 300 series buses (300, 312, 313, 314, 315, 318, 319) from any bus interchange. Buses depart every 15 minutes and drop off at the Albert Hall bus stop on Commonwealth Avenue.
- Take a taxi — If you're planning to catch a taxi to and from the concert, a special on-site taxi rank will operate on Parliament Square (adjacent to Old Parliament House).
- Arrive by car — Road closures, including Federation Mall, Parliament Drive and Queen Victoria Terrace, will take effect from 6am to midnight on Monday 25 January 2010. Please take the time to read the road and parking map for Australia Day Live 2010 to plan your trip in advance.

Event Shuttle

- A special shuttle from the City or Woden interchange will drop off in front of Old Parliament House. To return to an interchange after the event, buses will depart from Old Parliament House on King George Terrace and travel to all bus interchanges. For more information, visit the ACTION website www.action.act.gov.au.

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Food & Drink

- There will be plenty of food and drink available for purchase at the event.
- Plenty of water will be available on site for patrons at various water stations on site.
- Beer, wine and spirits will be made available for sale to those over 18 years of age.

Lost Children Tent

- Staff and volunteers will be operating a lost children tent at which lost children (or distressed parents) will be cared for until they are reunited with their loved ones. See the attached event site map for the location.

Disabled Parking

- Vehicles with appropriate disabled parking authorisation will have access to a disabled parking area located at the East Block car park, off Queen Victoria Terrace (adjacent to the National Archives of Australia).

Special Seating

- From the disabled parking area, it is a short distance to the special seating area on Federation Mall. Primary carers /immediate partners are welcome. Please check the event site map for location details.

Family Room

- A family room will be operational during the event to give parents privacy when attending to young children. The tent will be stocked with change tables, nappy bins, seats, water and a microwave oven.

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What to Bring

Your checklist of items to bring to Australia Day Live 2010 to ensure a comfortable concert experience:

- plenty of water or a container you can fill up at water stations
- sunscreen and a hat
- picnic rug or chair
- patriotic dress - in the colours of the Australian flag (optional)

What not to bring

Pets are not welcome at the concert. Patrons are encouraged to not bring glass. For safety reasons excessively large shade structures or umbrellas are not permitted onto the site and will have to be taken down before the concert begins.

When to arrive

There will be preshow entertainment from 3.30pm onwards and concert goers should arrive by 5.30pm to secure a place on the lawns. The Australian of the Year Awards start at 5.45pm and the concert kicks off at 7.30pm. The Australian of the Year Awards will be televised on the Channel Nine Network and the concert will rock out on Music Max and Video Hits on Channel Ten.

For more information, visit www.australiaday.org.au.