



# THE WYNNUM TAKES IT ALL!

National and local stars headed to Brisbane's bayside this November for a spectacular Wynnum Fringe

There's a LOT to love about the 4<sup>th</sup> Wynnum Fringe, set to take over Brisbane's Bayside from November 15 to December 3 this year, including:

The legendary **Daryl Braithwaite**, the incomparable **Marcia Hines**, and the electrifying **Diesel**.  
**Robert Forster from The Go-Betweens**

**Wil Anderson** in *Whatchu Talkin' 'Bout Wil?* a completely improvised night of stand-up comedy, called "Lightning in a bottle." ★★★★★½ by Sydney Morning Herald, 2022

**Chocolate Starfish** performing Meatloaf's full *Bat Out of Hell* album in their only Queensland date 😊  
Performers **Sarah McLeod** and **Rai Thistlethwayte** and **The Bamboos**

'Bachelor Girl's' **Tania Doko** performing songs from her upcoming EP *'The Beauty's In The Broken'* 🎤  
Comedians **Dave Thornton**, and **Geraldine Hickey**.

The internationally acclaimed Irish master of comedy, **Jimeoin** 😊  
The multi-award winning comedy acrobats, **GODZ**

Australia's most famous legs in **Rhonda Burchmore** making her Wynnum debut with the premiere of the new Australian Spiegel tent show, *Rhonda's After Party* with some of the best circus performers in the world including **Mario Queen of The Circus**, **Helen Cassidy**, **Pricasso**, 'Bath Boy' **Stephen Williams** and co.

The Bayside's first ever **Bay Pride** 🏳️‍🌈

The finale concert **Rock the Bay** 🎸

The coolest bars and stages 🍸

The beloved and world famous **Bluey** and her friend **Bingo**. *Yes, you read this correctly!*

And .... the call for **EVERYONE** to come and take part in a community choir event singing **THE WYNNUM TAKES IT ALL** (nods to **ABBA** 🎵).

Up close, unplugged, by the Bay; this is the Wynnum Fringe, where legendary performers share stages with huge Bush Turkey puppets and, burlesque dancers, and late night shows entertain the adults, where comedy, drama, cabaret and circus share the spotlight and internationally famed children's characters bring the joy for families, while a world famous song will be sung in perfect (!) harmony and respect is celebrated with Traditional Owners. IMAGES [HERE](#)



This is the vision Wynnum Fringe founder Tom Oliver had four years ago when the world was in the grip of Covid. Rather than wait it out, Tom created a major festival. He's already won a prestigious Matilda Award, cementing its reputation as a top-tier event on the Australian arts calendar, and last year welcomed a staggering 36,000 people to the Bayside. This year, Tom's planned more!

"This year Wynnum Fringe is bigger, there's more performers plus we are calling on people from everywhere to join us on Saturday 18 at 10am and help us make history with the largest community choir. We are taking on ABBA's *The Winner Takes It All* - or is it **The Wynnum Takes It All?** We should check if Benny & Bjorn didn't accidentally misspell the lyrics when writing it!"

"We do a love a pun at the Fringe, last year it was *You Can't Wynnum All But You Can Wynnum Fringe*, and this year we've been inspired by ABBA, and are proudly putting Wynnum on the map!"

Oliver, a quadruple threat talent as a singer, performer, producer, director and much more, has written new lyrics, and reimagined the song, and will lead the choir on the first Saturday.

"I can't believe this idea started in the spare room of my parents place while I was freeloading there during Covid. Now look at it, people are travelling from interstate to check it out, and Aussie entertainment royalty are keen to put on a show here. Wynnum Fringe has gone from three days to three weeks in three years. We've employed over 1,000 artists, injected millions into the Bayside economy and won the most prestigious award in the Queensland Industry Awards. Crazy proud!"

"There is something special about Brisbane's Bayside and the community living around Wynnum and Manly. They get around stuff. They have embraced this festival with open arms. We wouldn't be here without our community. This includes the artists, our sponsors, the QLD Government and Brisbane City Council."

Australian music royalty **Marcia Hines** perhaps sums it up best saying, "this festival started from my friend Tom's imagination and is now one of the most exciting events in Queensland."

**WYNNUM FRINGE TICKETS ON SALE Thursday, September 28 at 9am at [wynnumfringe.com](http://wynnumfringe.com)**



## Wynnum Fringe 2023 Highlights:

**Mini Fringe** - ticketed and free shows tailored for young people and families.

Ticketed shows include: The Greatest Magic Show, Prehysterical, Justin's Big Balloon Show, Circus: The Show, Dino Disco, Artiste, Party Pooper, KABOOM. Activities include Old MacFarms Petting Zoo, Face Painting, Crazy Hair Stand, Bubbles, free experiences include Bluey & Bingo, Memetica Creatures, Cocoloco, Ferris Wheel and a PupplyPalooza day in the Garden dedicated to dogs and their owners on November 18!

**Bay Pride** – the first ever pride event in Brisbane's Bayside, and a testament to the Fringe's commitment to diversity and inclusivity. The Fair Day will host free and ticketed Queer shows and LGBTQIA+ market stalls, Boy & Girl, Hayden Tee: Bad Guy and a Pride Variety Show.

**Acoustic Thursdays** - performances by well-known and local artists including Diesel, Rai Thistlethayte, Lecia Louise, Sarah McLeod, Jason McGregor up close, unplugged and right there.

**Opening Ceremony 'yana marumba'** – this means 'Walk Good' in Jundai language, with local Quandamooka community members. Over four wonderful years this experience has grown from 200 people to 1,000.

**Rock The Bay** – superstars Daryl Braithwaite and Marcia Hines reunite on Brisbane's Bayside to headline ROCK THE BAY on Sunday December 3. Hits like *The Horses*, *Summer Love*, *Howzat*, *As The Days Go By*, *Love Songs*, *One Summer*, *You*, *Disco Inferno*, *Your Love Still Brings Me To My Knees* will thrill. Joining them is **The Bamboos**, led by guitarist/ singer **Lance Furguson** and lead singer **Kylie Auldist**, the 9 piece band from Melbourne who are hailed "*about as good as it gets*" by Mark Lamar on BBC Radio in the UK and "*bad mother-\*\*\*\*ers!*" by Chicago Soul Legend Syl Johnson.

**Wynnum Fringe Garden** – the heartbeat of the Fringe, the ultimate place to be, and it's free to be there!

- The Wynnum Eye – AKA a fancy ferris wheel
- The Downtown Toyota Piano Lounge, a caravan dressed like a giant piano where Dr Trevor Jones will play a real piano every night (!)
- The Outdoor Stage is home to free concerts and this is where BLUEY and BINGO will perform (*OMG yes!*)
- Award-winning puppet company [Memetica Creatures](#) will roam their Wild Birds the Cassowary & Bush Turkey each weekend joined by international Street Theatre Royalty, [Cocoloco](#)
- First Nations Zone featuring beautiful artworks and yarns with Elders
- The Fringe Bar and The Backstage Bar





- Food offerings and outdoor bars filled with Green Beacon Brewing Company, Archie Rose spirits and many other cold delights!

**Festival Ambassadors:** Rhonda Burchmore OAM, Vicki Wilson OAM, Marcia Hines AM, and ABC Brisbane's Loretta Ryan.

#### TICKETED VENUES

- **RAINE & HORNE WYNNUM OPERA HOUSE:** The biggest and most prestigious venue at the Festival, the home of Music & Comedy.
- **BOQ (Bank of Qld) WONDERLAND SPIEGELTENT:** The second biggest venue at the Festival and home to Circus, Burlesque and Cabaret.
- **THE LUNCHBOX:** The first Wynnum Fringe owned venue, a 90 seat black box venue for local artists and hidden gems. Not potato gems, unfortunately. Home of all types of live performance from comedy to cabaret, music and more!
- **THE BUS:** A cute retro bus for ticketed performances. Home of *Speed: The Movie*, *The Play*.

Wynnum Fringe 2023 is an event for all of Australia, and interstate travel is highly encouraged! This year's extravaganza is made possible with support from the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland, It's Live in Queensland, Brisbane City Council, and Founding Partner Raine & Horne Wynnum Manly.

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IMAGES, VISION and AUDIO [HERE](#)

### **THE WYNNUM TAKES IT ALL**

I don't wanna talk  
About things we've gone through  
Though it's hurting me  
Now it's history  
I've played all my cards  
And that's what you've done too  
Nothing more to say  
No more ace to play

#### **CHORUS 1**

The Wynnum Takes It All  
The loser standing tall



Beside the victory  
That's our destiny

**VERSE 2**

The greatest town of all  
On the fringe of Brisbane  
It's where we love to be  
Come and you will see  
The best community  
Young, and old and in-between  
Sittin' by the sea  
It's the place to be

**CHORUS 2**

The Wynnum Takes it All  
The Bayside Festival  
There's so much to see  
Come join the party

The Wynnum Takes It All  
The Bayside Festival  
There's so much to see  
Feel the energy!

The Wynnum Takes It All!

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