



DARWIN FESTIVAL E-NEWS

Darwin comes alive for the Darwin Festival...so should you!

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DARWIN FESTIVAL 12 – 29 AUGUST, 2004

This year, the Darwin Festival will run for 18 days and nights from the 12th to the 29th of August and will feature local and touring performances and events including outdoor concerts, workshops, theatre, dance, music, comedy and cabaret, film, visual arts and a number of other exciting events.

Keep an eye out for event announcements in the lead-up to the Festival.

Mark the dates in your calendar because this is going to be one fantastic festival!

PRE-RELEASED EVENTS FOR 2004 DARWIN – THE HOME OF OPERA STARS



The first event to be announced as part of this year's Darwin Festival is **OzOpera's Sing Your Own Opera**.

Sing Your Own Opera is your chance to become part of a real opera performance at the Darwin Entertainment Centre.

You and several hundred of your soon-to-be closest friends will rehearse and then perform the music from Mozart's *The Magic Flute* with the Darwin Symphony Orchestra and soloists from **OzOpera**. You will have the Darwin Entertainment Centre literally vibrating with excitement.

You need no singing or musical qualifications to be part of Sing Your Own Opera – just buy a ticket for \$32, turn up on Saturday 28th August and you will be transformed into an opera star for a day.

For more information or reservations, please call the Darwin Festival office on 08 8981 0083.

KULTURA

What better way to celebrate Darwin, our multicultural diversity and our lifestyle and community spirit, than to get involved with the Darwin Festival?



A great way to do this is by participating in **Kultura**, a fun community event where schools, dance groups, cultural groups and associations, performers, organisations and individuals can get involved by performing on stage, singing, dancing, holding a workshop, creating a visual display of skills and talents or doing whatever fun activity or performance you can think of!

To get involved in Kultura, or for more information on Kultura, call the Darwin Festival office on 8981 0083.

THE TEDDY BEARS ARE BACK!

The Teddy Bears are excited to be returning to Darwin for the ACCU Teddy Bears' Picnic at the Darwin Botanic Gardens on Sunday August 22.

The Teddy Bears' Picnic is a fantastic free event with great entertainment including roving performers, face painting, play equipment, and lots of hands-on activities for the kids, as well as a free sausage sizzle.

The Darwin Festival program and website will have more information on the Teddy Bears' Picnic closer to the Festival. Make sure your kids don't miss out on the highlight of their year!

www.darwinfestival.org.au

BECOME A DARWIN FESTIVAL MEMBER!

Support the Darwin Festival and save money at the same time!

If you become a Darwin Festival member for just **\$5.50**, you will receive:

- Discounts on entry to the Festival Club during the Darwin Festival
- Regular information and program updates
- Invitation to the program launch
- Concession membership at the Deckchair Cinema
- Membership discount at Darwin Entertainment Centre; and
- Big savings on Thrifty car rentals.

To become a member, simply call the Darwin Festival office on **08 8981 0083** for a membership form, return the completed form and \$5.50 (yes, only \$5.50!) to the Darwin Festival office, and you will receive a Darwin Festival membership card.

Individual membership is \$5.50
Corporate membership is \$22

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DARWIN FESTIVAL WEBSITE

A new website has been developed for the Darwin Festival, so go to www.darwinfestival.org.au for information updates, the latest news and released events for Darwin Festival 2004.

This website will be updated regularly, and following the Darwin Festival program launch, will have all the information you will need to get along to the great events during the Festival.

SPONSORS AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

This year, the Darwin Festival has contracted a Sponsorship Coordinator to liaise with sponsors, to coordinate all sponsorship benefits and to ensure the needs of our sponsors are adequately met.

If you haven't heard about the great sponsorship opportunities available with Darwin Festival, but would like to know more, contact our Sponsorship Coordinators, Event Magic for more information on 0438 122 991 or email sponsorship@eventmagic.com.au

DARWIN FESTIVAL CONTACTS

The Darwin Festival has a talented and enthusiastic team, dedicated to putting together an exciting Festival for you this year. Darwin Festival staff are:

Malcolm Blaylock, Artistic Director
Roma Dainius, Administrator
Claire Butler, Marketing Manager
Shannon Gobell, Production Manager
Katelyn B, Project Officer
Event Magic, Sponsorship Coordinators
Sheila Carroll, Bookkeeper.

Go to the website to meet the team. Please give us a call or email us for more information about the Darwin Festival. Our contact details follow.

E-NEWSLETTER REGISTRATION

The Darwin Festival office wants to keep you informed of events, dates, and any exciting announcements made during the year.

If you want to make sure you don't miss out on *anything* to do with the Darwin Festival, register to receive these regular e-newsletters.

To register, email claire@darwinfestival.org.au with *E-newsletter Registration* as the subject.

If you do not wish to receive the Darwin Festival e-newsletter, email claire@darwinfestival.org.au with *Unsubscribe* as the subject.

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