

Create NSW Arts & Cultural Funding Program – 2020/21 Play the City Outcomes (53): \$474,534

- 1. Marian Abboud Not her Reflection, Apparitions I, II & III (\$9,867)**
 - Not her Reflection, Apparitions I, II & III, will comprise three site-specific outdoor locations where the CBD meets the harbour. Marian Abboud will create performances with world-renowned Musician Qanoun master Mohammad Lelo, Arabic Vocalist, Maissa Alamaddine & Indigenous Performer Vicki VanHout.

- 2. Matthew Keegan Vienna Dreaming World Premiere (\$9,570)**
 - Matthew Keegan will premiere a new production titled Vienna Dreaming. The five-part suite is based on the migration story of his great grandfather, a Viennese pianist, Heini Portnoj, circa 1940.

- 3. Museum of Contemporary Art UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL (\$9,870)**
 - The MCA will present a series of three intimate in the round durational sound performances featuring Chris Abrahams, Del Lumanta and series curator Lucas Abela at the MCA. Each four-hour performance will be staged with a staggered audience where one person enters and one person leaves each minute over the 240-minute program.

- 4. Jennifer Ellis Little Wing Puppets at the Justice & Police Museum (\$10,000)**
 - A series of puppetry performances will be presented at the Justice & Police Museum in the January holidays 2021. The performance is A Little Bit of Blue, an interactive detective show for families that explores the theme of investigation.

- 5. Josephine Perez Flamenco Ensemble "Las Flamenkas" with Live music (\$10,000)**
 - Internationally acclaimed Pepa Molina will present her vibrant Flamenco Ensemble "Las Flamenkas" featuring emerging artists accompanied by Australia's leading Flamenco musicians at Harbourside Amphitheatre. This unique performance opportunity with live music will further develop the performance skills of emerging young dancers and help promote the Flamenco form to new audiences.

- 6. Sydney Improvised Music Association Inc. Contemporary Downtown: Four- night concert series at Mary's Underground (\$10,000)**
 - Jazz, Funk, World Music and Blues return to Circular Quay at Mary's Underground, once home to legendary music venue The Basement. Over four nights, SIMA will present a ticketed concert series of contemporary music styles, providing employment for emerging and established artists and industry, enlivening the Circular Quay area.

- 7. Circus Monoxide The Construct (\$10,000)**
 - Circus Monoxide will present multiple 30-minute outdoor, public performances. Eight circus artists will perform on a mobile cube sculpture - dancing, tumbling, and contorting, presenting an expression of the personal isolation experienced during lockdown.

- 8. John Guagliardo Two Day Mini-Festival at Oxford Art Factory (\$10,000)**
- Two Day Mini-Festival at Oxford Art Factory will showcase a diverse and talented line-up featuring some of Sydney's finest artists from the rising underground of hip-hop and RnB.
- 9. Nardine Gharsa and Anita Meiruntu Free & Femme: A live hip hop jam for femme/queer artists (\$10,000)**
- Free and Femme is a hip hop and soul jam night with a focus on female, gender non-conforming and queer artists. Free and Femme will host a monthly of weekly live jams with rappers, singers and instrumentalists. The jam nights will diversify and develop soul and hip hop music in Sydney.
- 10. Picnic Stuff Pty Ltd. Picnic Social at Opera Bar (\$10,000)**
- Picnic takes four Sundays at Sydney's iconic outdoor venue, Opera Bar. Picnic Stuff will showcase Sydney's most exciting live acts and DJs to create an income artists and provide the city with a heavy dose of culture.
- 11. Christian Brasche The Moonshine Caddies CITY LIFE (\$5,471)**
- The Moonshine Caddies will present, at Frankie's Pizza Venue, a suite of original swing compositions that include a modern interpretation of Swing in the format of a Swing Opera. This project is designed to establish ongoing regular "Swing Style" events to attract audiences and support live music in the CBD of Sydney.
- 12. The Music Box Project Shallow Listening by The Music Box Project (\$10,000)**
- The Music Box Project will present the Sydney premiere of their 2020 APRA/AMC Art Music award-winning immersive music performance 'Shallow Listening'. The innovative concert of new and boundary-pushing Australian works will be performed to The Music Box Project's established Sydney audience in February 2021.
- 13. Bad Dog, CODA Collecting & Backstage Music HAPPENINGS at the Sydney Dance Company Wharf, Hickson Road (\$9,890)**
- A curatorial blur between electronica and new classical music, HAPPENINGS is a collaboration between Bad Dog, Backstage Music & CODA Collective. HAPPENINGS will present new Australian classical compositions juxtaposed with cross-genre electronica, visual and performance art.
- 14. Jack Satria Wardana Masters of Isolation (\$9,921)**
- A Popping dance contest to revive the once very active scene prior to restrictions. Giving the artist's opportunities to showcase, exchange and test their accumulated skills and training (especially from their time during the lockdown period) with fellow dancers, and to present them to the general public.
- 15. Asian Australian Artists Association hai con lân việt kiều (\$10,000)**
- hai con lân việt kiều is a series of contemporary lion dance performances in Haymarket to herald Lunar New Year. Breaking with tradition, these performances showcase costumes by artist Truc Truong, embodied by contemporary dancers. Each performance shakes off difficulties of the past and ensures a year of good luck.

16. Harvey Geraghty The Lazy Eyes and Friends (\$9,850)

- A full-day showcase led by The Lazy Eyes and a selection of other bands from Sydney and regional NSW at Mary's Underground (CBD). The shows are aimed at engaging an under 18s demographic for a matinee show followed by an over-18 show.

17. Sarah Bedak-Radic Lolo Lovina, Cameron Jones Trio & the Gypsy Caravan Stage (\$9,100)

- A collaborative performance between Lolo Lovina & the Cameron Jones Trio, presented near Dawes Point. The event will explore the musical diaspora journey of the Romani people from Europe through to Australia.

18. Angela Paez Coming For You 2021 - Single launch (\$4,236)

- Angela Paez will launch the first single of her upcoming EP 'Coming For You' with a performance in the Sydney CBD.

19. Vesna Grace Queer As Fvck (\$1,660)

- Queer live music and performance event featuring two gender diverse original live music acts, Gaia Rising and Bruise Pristine, as well as performances from some of Sydney's leading queer comedians, drag kings and drag queens.

20. Annalouise Paul 'Flamenco for Everybody' Contemporary-Flamenco Live Concert at Customs House, Sydney (\$7,930)

- 'Flamenco for Everybody' is an outstanding presentation of contemporary-flamenco dance and live music performance. Dance artist, Annalouise Paul will perform with guest musicians and deliver the project in partnership with Instituto Cervantes Sydney (ICS) for 2021 Sydney Flamenco Festival at Customs House, Circular Quay.

21. Spaced Out Spaced Out - live DJs & projection mapped show (\$10,000)

- Spaced Out is a nine metre Spaceship with a DJ booth inside activating the city and present state of the art projections, mapped graphics keeping the crowd enthralled as they take a journey into another dimension.

22. Isabella Manfredi Izzi (\$9,400)

- Izzi will launch her new project as a solo artist through performing two shows at Restaurant Hubert. The shows will feature new solo material and songs from the Preatures catalogue. It will be both filmed and audio recorded for streaming content across online channels.

23. Pete Covington Revolving Door (\$6,000)

- A house band of three prominent Sydney session musicians will perform with three featured songwriters, showcasing original songs and specially themed cover song collaborations. The evening will give established and upcoming songwriters a chance to play their songs in a new context and facilitate collaborations exclusive to the event.

24. Electric Music Conference EMC, LAZYDAZE & AUSTRALIAN MARITIME MUSEUM PRESENTS 'AUDAMUS' (\$10,000)

- A series of sunsets excursions in sound and taste. Held on the last Friday of January and February on the HMAS Vampire - Australia's largest museum vessel. Each event features a different live music line up of NSW ambient/downbeat artists, and a different menu curated by contemporary Sydney restaurants.

25. Justin Buchta CircusBox (\$5,870)

- Justin Buchta will play at the Darling Harbour Circle Acts sites on weekends over Summer. The show is catered for all ages and will present original circus feats, such as handstand in a giant gold fish bowl and diving through a ring of fire.

26. Trevor Brown Concert Series at ARTHOUSE Hotel (\$10,000)

- The Sydney Improvisers Composers Kollektiv Orchestra will curate a weekly series/festival in partnership with the Arthouse Hotel. The Sydney Improvisers Composers Kollektiv Orchestra will present four weekly events over the month of January engaging approximately 40 artists.

27. Club 77 77 Live x PavlovaBar (\$10,000)

- 77 Live x PavlovaBar will showcase forward-thinking live electronic music acts from the LGBTQI + SB communities. This will allow up and coming LGBTQI + SB live acts the opportunity to perform in an underground nightclub environment.

28. Dr Jihyeon Lim The World of Australian Piano Duo Works (\$3,000)

- The piano duo recital by pianists, Jihyeon Lim and Melody Tsz-ching Chung, will be held at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music and focuses on the piano duo pieces written by representative Australian composers, such as Elena Kats-Chernin and Carl Vine.

29. Gateway Sydney with Shaun Parker & Co. Summer Days at Gateway (\$10,000)

- Collaborating with Shaun Parker & Co., Gateway will present dynamic 'Pantsula' performances and hoverboard shows. Pantsula is an energetic and spontaneous dance expression, developed by black townships in South Africa. These vibrant performances will be interactive and fun, inviting public participation.

30. Amala Groom After Amala Groom - a dance response (working title) (\$10,000)

- 'After Amala Groom - a dance response' (working title) is a live two day performance that activates Amala Groom's photographic performance works that feature in aMBUSH galleries current exhibition 'HERE I AM: Art by Great Woman' showing at Darling Quarter until 30th January 2021.

31. Cultural Arts Collective Pty Ltd. The CBD Project (\$10,000)

- A concert at Sydney Square that brings culturally and linguistically diverse artists from Western Sydney to the CBD to work with local musicians showcasing the future of Australian contemporary (multicultural) music. The CBD Project will facilitate local workers and multicultural communities reconnecting with the CBD and build partnerships between local businesses

32. Edward Lyons End Notes Soul Club (\$10,000)

- Edward Lyons will be leading and directing a soul band featuring special guest vocalists to perform both original and covered soul, funk and disco songs in Sydney. This opportunity further develops the artist's skills and provides much needed funding and focus to musicians.

33. Pia Anderson Boogie and Blues - Live Music at Bookmakers (\$10,000)

- A weekly live music event hosted in the historic City Tatts Lower Bar every Friday night. This project will support retro bands in Sydney and increase audience experiences and engagement with Boogie and Blues.

34. Fiona Lugg Bathtub Gin Orchestra at the Speakeasy (\$2,100)

- The Bathtub Gin Orchestra captures the zeitgeist of 2020, the easing of lockdown restrictions, a time of renewal. This stylish and classic jazz music from the 1920s/1930s music is part of the modern Speakeasy culture to refresh city workers and CBD residents during Summer.

35. Dr Aristeia Mellos Sydney Bach Society Summer 2021 (\$7,840)

- Dr Aristeia Mellos will curate a series of two lunchtime concerts at Christ Church St Laurence with the Sydney Bach Society in early 2021. Dr Aristeia Mellos will showcase some of NSW's best freelance classical musicians, and commission two new works by NSW based composers for this project.

36. Pia Anderson Swingin' At The Speakeasy - Live music program (\$10,000)

- Swingin' at The Speakeasy is a weekly rotating program of Sydney's best Jazz, Swing, Jump Blues and Boogie bands. This project will attract a mix of music lovers, swing dancers and vintage culture aficionados looking for a fun and sophisticated mid-week place to play.

37. Critical Stages The Listies' Hamlet: Prince of Skidmark (\$10,000)

- Critical Stages Touring is producing Hamlet: Prince of Skidmark at the Sydney Opera House in January featuring Matthew Kelly and Richard Higgins alongside Monica Kumar. The production was premiered at Sydney Theatre Company to critical acclaim in 2016, its Sydney Opera House debut is a unique opportunity for all artists.

38. More to Come Entertainment MORE MUSIC (\$10,000)

- MORE MUSIC is a proposed series of nights at Mary's Underground showcasing some of the most exciting emerging electronic artists NSW has to offer. More to Come Entertainment will program and promote the events in collaboration with Mary's Group, injecting economic activity and cultural joys into a crippled live music industry.

39. Paulina Quinteros The Rehearsal (\$10,000)

- The Rehearsal is part musical part dance and part theatrical soiree. An evening of entertaining performing acts to give the audience a taste of what unemployed NSW artists from all walks of life can offer.

40. The Mercantile Hotel Saturday Night Street Band (\$9,900)

- The Saturday Night Street Band will expand from a duo to a trio engaging drums and a sounds manager each Saturday night from mid December to liven up a section of George Street under the new "Alfresco Dining" footprint.

41. Chelsea Collings Almost Fridays (\$9,629)

- Kickstarting the weekly live multi-arts, community-building event on Thursdays at Civic Underground this project will be showcasing new works from various high-quality local musicians, and live visual art-making from local artists. Organised by a collective of Sydney musicians who form bands: Really Nice, Casual Fan, and Fringes this project will reinvigorating the Sydney music-scene.

42. Good Business Sense Pty Ltd. Seasonal Warriors - Be Seedsational Campaign (\$10,000)

- This project brings to life the graphic novel series of the same name with music and puppetry. In early 2021, this show will provide an entertaining opportunity to engage children and families in the CBD and start a conversation about real-life issues in a fun and interactive environment.

43. Invalid Data WEST Invalid Data W.E.S.T plays the City (\$8,780)

- Invalid Data W.E.S.T. is a multimedia performance featuring improvising trio: W.E.S.T., VJ/media artist Grayson Cooke, and sound artist Ian Stevenson. This exciting, one-off event heralds the debut of a unique interdisciplinary collaboration between five NSW artists of diverse practice.

44. Endangered Productions Coffee Cantata Cabaret (\$10,000)

- Endangered Productions will perform a contemporary adaptation of Bach's Coffee Cantata combined with staged excerpts from Grieg's Peer Gynt in an informal cabaret setting. It will be an evening of exceptional music presented in a light-hearted, engaging format.

45. MAS MUSIC GROUP BUSKERS DELIGHT (\$10,000)

- Buskers Delight is a special collaborative street performance play that features 5-6 buskers re-enacting their day to day activities on the street. This unique show will bring light to a singer, beatboxer, BBOY, mime guy and a Hip Hop dance team in Summer 2021.

46. Christie Koppe, Eloise Snape, Nate Edmondson, Oliver Wakelin & Drew Livingston The City (\$10,000)

- With original composition, this world-premiere performance will depict a multitude of characters in a cross-section of Sydney city, evoking connectedness in an often-disconnected setting. This is a creative team full of award-winning talent, working together for the first time.

47. Walsh Bay Precinct Association Inc. Walsh Bay Precinct Activations (\$10,000)

- The Walsh Bay Precinct Association will create activations by engaging artists to perform over Christmas and 26 January.

48. Frasers Sydney ML Hotel Pty Ltd. Pumphouse Alfresco Entertainment (\$10,000)

- Pumphouse will return to hosting live music featuring local artists each weekend throughout Summer. Rotating fresh live acts each Friday and Saturday, the precinct will enjoy live entertainment playing from the venue's new courtyard in Darling Square plaza.

49. Vladimir Fanshil LiveatYours sunsets at Ken Done Gallery (\$10,000)

- A series of six uplifting concerts featuring Australia's leading classical musicians and presenting Australian music in the iconic Ken Done gallery. A new work by Elena Kats-Chernin will also be commissioned for this series.

50. Dr Yantra de Vilder Pianos for the People (\$10,000)

- This installation injects music and colour to the Sydney CBD by reimagining the lives of recycled pianos into an interactive destination in Hyde Park. Combining artwork, performance and music, this project will feature performances by composer/creator Dr Yantra de Vilder with guests Ephemera Choir and ensemble.

51. Esther Wong Harpist and Visual Artist in Public Spaces (\$7,050)

- Esther Wong will perform a mix of popular and classical harp music in the Sydney CBD. In a selection of performances, Esther Wong will perform alongside artist Sing Wong. The performances will help make classical harp music accessible to new audiences and foster the education and growth of the harp.

52. Gateway Sydney Summer Nights at Gateway (\$10,000)

- Summer Nights at Gateway will present roving musicians performing to alfresco diners to activate the space and generate an ambient evening environment at Circular Quay.

53. Francisco Lara Puerto The Andalusian Guitar: Album Launch (\$7,600)

- Acclaimed guitarist Francisco Lara Puerto (Paco Lara) will launch his new album "The Andalusian Guitar" featuring some of the finest musicians from Spain and Australia.