

HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE
PRESENTS

DOWN STAIRS AT THE MAJ

2021 SEASON

LIVE & INTIMATE
CABARET

WELCOME TO THE DOWNSTAIRS AT THE MAJ 2021 SEASON!

We're excited to welcome you back to a season of hand-picked and world-class cabaret.

The 2021 Downstairs at The Maj season will take place in a venue that has undergone a true transformation. While you will still recognise our intimate Downstairs at The Maj performance space, our new foyer and Museum Bar showcases performing arts memorabilia from the Museum of Performing Arts collection, and adds glamour and sophistication to your pre-show experience.

Our 2021 cabaret season features great voices, your favourite hit songs, trips down memory lane, and lots of (sometimes outrageous!) humour. Combined with our cabaret-style table seating and a new food and drink menu offering snacks, small meals and a carefully curated beverage offering, you've got all the ingredients for a great night out.

Dress up or dress down for an elegant night out or a casual evening with friends - you may even make new friends!

PS Our 2021 Downstairs at The Maj Candlelight Club members enjoy exclusive ticket and beverage discounts and more - turn to the last page for more information!

Information current as of May 2021. Some information may have changed since publication.



THAT'S NOT YOUR LIGHT, JOHN

STARRING JOHN O'HARA

||| 25-26 JUN • 7.30PM |||

Growing up on the sunny south side of Perth's Swan River during the 80s and 90s, John O'Hara had two simple dreams ... to be the newest member of *Young Talent Time* and to be in a big musical. One of them came true.

Looking back on a varied and glittering 20-year career that has seen him travel and work at all corners of the globe, join John for an intimate evening of story and song, sharing all the best (and sometimes worst) bits of a life spent on the road.

Accompanied on the baby grand by West End musical director Daniel Griffin.

Part of the 2021 Perth International Cabaret Festival



DON'T MAKE ME PLAY PIANO MAN

STARRING STEVEN KRAMER

||| 8-10 JUL • 7.30PM |||

He'll happily play Elton John, Carole King or Peter Allen, but please don't make him play THAT Billy Joel song! After his acclaimed and hilarious debut cabaret *I Sing Songs*, join Steven Kramer as he celebrates all the great piano hits and piano players from across the ages. Well, most of them ...

With his cheeky, irreverent humour he dissects his up-and-down relationship with the piano and some of the instrument's superstars. Bringing fresh arrangements of the songs you know and love, this show is a sure crowd-pleaser. No stranger to piano bars and sing-along nights, Steven will make you feel right at home. Just don't leave your drink on the piano without a coaster!



THE MUSIC OF JAMES BOND

STARRING OZ BIG BAND

|| 22-24 JUL • 7.30PM ||

For decades, the adventures of the world's greatest spy have been accompanied by exceptional theme songs made famous by the world's biggest stars. *The Music of James Bond* will explore all the greatest theme songs, and some of the lesser-known Bond moments.

Grab a martini and prepare to be shaken (or stirred) with the Oz Big Band and vocalist, Leah Guelfi. The Oz Big Band have been performing for the community in and around Perth since the 1980s. They have fast become one of Australia's most sought after dance bands, touring the Eastern States no less than 7 times in the past 10 years. It's a 17-piece feast for your ears!



HELL HATH NO FURY

STARRING ZALIA JOI

══════ 29-31 JUL • 7.30PM ══════

To love with great power and strength despite the seduction of revenge and darkness.

Hell Hath No Fury – Musical Bitchin’ from the Basement of Hell is an edgy world premiere offering hope in a world of betrayal and the deep abyss.

An original show born out of the need to find peace, *Hell Hath No Fury* weaves humour and heartbreak through songs of passion and thought-provoking tales.

Written and performed by Zalia Joi, *Hell Hath No Fury* features the illustrious Fiona Cooper and live music by Matt Milford, Shaun Davis, James Vinciullo & Reilly Stewart.



30 SOMETHING

STARRING
**CATHERINE ALCORN
AND PHIL SCOTT**

===== 9-11 SEP • 7.30PM =====

New Year's Eve, 1939, Bohemia Kings Cross.
She's been wowing Hollywood, he's been touring Queanbeyan. But on the last night of the decade, maestro of mischief Phil Scott and powerhouse canary Catherine Alcorn reunite for a thrilling joyride back to their 18 carat lounge act to count you down to the end of a very dramatic era; politics, great depression, booze ... and that's just in the dressing room!

30 Something is an immersive party taking audiences back to the speak-easier days via a 21st Century lens and an unapologetic celebration of Sydney's history.

Featuring music by Fats Waller, Irving Berlin, Cab Calloway, Kylie Minogue, Lady Gaga, Prince and more.



DIVALICIOUS – DEFYING GRAVITY

**STARRING PENNY SHAW AND
FIONA COOPER SMYTH**

===== 23-25 SEP • 7.30PM =====

Mortality, vitality and virility are all under the knife as cutting-edge classics are mixed with the best of Broadway in this Botox-pumping, lipo-sucking, wrinkle-relaxing cabaret that will take years off your life! Join these comic cougars of coloratura in their latest hit show as they explore the dubious joys of being “midults” in a world that worships youthful beauty, smooth brows and skinny thighs.

Accompanied by the groovy sounds of bass, drums and keyboard, DivaLicious divas Fiona Cooper Smyth and Penny Shaw will attempt to defy gravity, claw back their lost youth, and launch themselves into the stratosphere. High notes, heavenly bodies ... the countdown has begun!



SHE/HER

STARRING NAOMI PRICE

══════ 7-9 OCT • 7.30PM ══════

Diva. Chanteuse. Siren. Peel back the label and you'll discover a strong woman with a powerful voice, a commanding stage presence and a legendary battle cry.

She/Her is an uplifting celebration of the songs made famous by powerhouse pop icons over the decades, featuring the timeless hits of Cilla Black and Petula Clark, the generational anthems of Cyndi Lauper and Madonna and the rallying calls of Adele, Amy Winehouse, Miley Cyrus and Lady Gaga.

This cross-section of fierce female artistry is presented in an intimate solo show starring the formidable Naomi Price (*Beautiful: The Carole King Musical*, *The Voice Australia*, *Rumour Has It*) accompanied by superstar guitarist Jason McGregor.



A VERY, VERY GOOD VARIETY SHOW

**STARRING PERTH CABARET
COLLECTIVE**

||| 14-16 OCT • 7.30PM |||

Does jazz, burlesque, drag and comedy tickle your pickle? Then *A Very, Very Good Variety Show* shall adequately meet your expectations!

Come and play with the six-time FRINGE WORLD award-winning Perth Cabaret Collective featuring the very, very good nine-piece live jazz band who are guaranteed to get you jiving in your seat. Starring internationally renowned jazz singers Mia Matthiessen and Mark Turner, the *Priscilla - Queen of the Desert* star, Cougar Morrison and comedy duo Veruca Sour and Lucy Lovegun who are guaranteed to steal your hearts and maybe your wallets ... this team of extremes are all very, very good!

Photo: Cass Evans



THE SONGS OF MICHAEL BUBLÉ

STARRING LISA WOODBROOK

|| 28-30 OCT • 7.30PM ||

Eternal optimist Lisa Woodbrook is feeling WAY too good! Lisa is all about finding silver linings while taking a hilarious look at the twists and turns of everyday life. Following the success of her award-winning show, *It's Not Me, It's Definitely You*, Lisa is back with her 5-piece band and bundles of laughs.

Set to the soundtrack of Michael Bublé, you'll hear classics such as *Haven't Met You Yet*, *Everything*, *Cry Me a River* and *Sway* as Lisa shares just what to do when life gives you lemons ...

Winner 2020 FRINGE WORLD
Weekly Cabaret Award



THE WOMEN OF THE 60S

STARRING GINA HOGAN

||| 4-6 NOV • 7.30PM |||

Go back in time to the fabulous music of the 60s, featuring songs by artists such as Dusty Springfield, Dionne Warwick, Shirley Bassey, Petula Clark and more!

Starring the amazingly versatile and talented Gina Hogan (*Cats*, *Mamma Mia!*, *Beauty and the Beast*), this show will have you laughing, clapping and singing along in this celebration of female 60s icons.



THE SONGS OF SHIRLEY BASSEY

STARRING DANIELLE MATTHEWS

||| 11-13 NOV • 7.30PM |||

Award-winning songstress
Danielle Matthews sings the hit
songs of the legendary Shirley Bassey.

Delve into the iconic songs that
have made Shirley Bassey one of
the most famous performers of our
time, including *Goldfinger*, *This is
My Life*, *Big Spender*, *Diamonds Are
Forever* and *Where Do I Begin*.

Join Danielle for this powerful
celebration of the music and life of
the one and only Dame
Shirley Bassey.



MICHAEL GRIFFITHS - BY REQUEST CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

STARRING MICHAEL GRIFFITHS

══════ | 9-11 DEC • 7.30PM | ══════

Helpmann Award winner Michael Griffiths is back, and this time he's taking your Christmas requests! All songs are welcome but he'd prefer not to sing that tune by Mariah, thank you.

Backed by a 3-piece band and peppered with stories and laughs from 20 years on and off the stage, expect new arrangements of your favourite Christmas tunes along with a smorgasbord of 80s artists like The Eurythmics, Violent Femmes, Madonna, Wham, Culture Club and Soft Cell. Hit him up on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter, let him know your request and which night you're in and he promises to do his best.

MEMBERSHIPS

BECOME A DOWNSTAIRS AT THE MAJ VIP

≡≡≡ | **FREE** | ≡≡≡

Receive discounted VIP ticket prices for all 12 shows in our 2021 Downstairs at The Maj season. VIP membership is free and valid for 12 months.

JOIN OUR CANDLELIGHT CLUB

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Join our new Downstairs at The Maj Candlelight Club to receive discounted tickets and beverages, special offers, event invitations and more!

- Discounted VIP pricing for all 2021 Downstairs at The Maj season performances – save \$5 per ticket
- One complimentary drink voucher*
- 20% discount^ on all in-person beverage purchases at the Downstairs at The Maj bar and the Museum Bar (basement foyer)
- Discount offers on selected other shows
- Invitations to exclusive pre-show events
- Personal Candlelight Club membership card.

The 2021 Candlelight Club Membership costs just \$19 and is valid for 12 months.

Visit ptt.wa.gov.au/memberships to become a Candlelight Club member or VIP now!

*Drink voucher redeemable only at Downstairs at The Maj or Museum Bar.

^Only applies to in-person beverage purchases in the basement spaces (Downstairs at The Maj and Museum Bar). Excludes purchases from Crew & King, Dress Circle Bar or main foyer bars. Does not apply to advance purchases.

PRICING

 HIS MAJESTY'S THEATRE	STANDARD	VIP AND CANDLELIGHT CLUB MEMBERS
INDIVIDUAL TICKETS	\$47* PER TICKET	\$42* PER TICKET
BUY 3 SHOWS	\$45* PER TICKET	\$40* PER TICKET
BUY 4 OR MORE SHOWS	\$42* PER TICKET	\$37* PER TICKET

Order a grazing plate or glass of house wine in advance when you buy tickets! Small meals, snacks and a full beverage menu are available on the night. Doors and the bar open 60 minutes prior to performances.

*Transaction fees Web \$3.95 if cart value is \$36 or less, \$5.95 above \$36. Phone: \$6.95. In person: \$0. Group bookings: \$8.95. Add \$2 for postage by Standard Mail or \$4.40 for Registered Mail

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