

Press Release

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Enlighten announces first live music acts

Over two weekends, from 3rd to 12th March, Enlighten will once again takeover the nation's capital with a dynamic events program, featuring premier installations, roving performances, exclusive dining experiences, blockbuster exhibitions and **an eclectic** live music bill.

Today announcing the first of the 2017 acts, Enlighten is excited to welcome a plethora of home-grown talent to the stage.

On the electronic front, Los Angeles-based, Australian singer-songwriter **Cleopold**, best known for hit "Down in Flames", has been announced for the 2017 festival alongside Canberra's electronic duo **Mondecreen**, and downtempo producer **Toyo**. Serving up refined, chilled out, yet heavily textured beats, Toyo blends organic and synthesised instruments to deliver a live show perfect for Enlighten's visual wonderland.

On the indie and rock side of things, combining Matt Wicking's unforgettable voice with poetic lyrics, **The General Assembly** will be joining the 2017 line up alongside alt-rock Sydney quartet **Tinsmith**. Adding a smattering of pop to the bill, Sydney darlings **Tigertown** will be showcasing their energetic stage presence at Enlighten. Tassy lass **Maddy Jane** is also set to bring her honest indie/pop/rock stream of music to the stage, with relatable lyrics, curious, ironic ideas and catchy hooks.

On the other side of the spectrum, **Bustamento** and **Cookin' on 3 Burners** will take to the stage at this year's festival. As one of the side projects from Australia's highly respected **Nicky Bomba**, **Bustamento** will be bringing their tropical groves to Canberra. Combing in the likes of Calypso, early Reggae and Ska styles, the group put on a great live show, which is sure to have the masses dancing. Cookin' on 3 Burners, Australia's hardest hitting Hammond Organ Trio will be joining the dots between Deep Funk, Raw Soul, Organ Jazz & Boogaloo. Cookin' on 3 Burners have recently taken on the pop charts with Kungs' remix of This Girl, creating the perfect tune for summer.

Finally, to round out the bill, hip-hop due, and siblings, **The Ansah Brothers**, will be bringing the rhymes to Enlighten for the second time. Consisting of rappers **Genesis Owusu** & **Citizen Kay**, The Ansah Brothers will be spitting rhymes to impress.

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More acts and the full program of artists and events will be announced soon.

Illuminating Canberra for its seventh year, Enlighten 2017 will transform the Parliamentary Triangle into a hive of activity as stunning architectural projections light up six of Australia's most iconic buildings. Featuring the return of the Enlighten Night Noodle Markets, the event boats a range of free and ticketed events. For more information visit: enlightencanberra.com.au

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Enlighten

3 -12 March 2017

Touted as the original Vivid, Enlighten celebrates art, culture, music, performance and innovation. Held in Canberra's iconic Parliamentary Triangle, the event site is transformed into a buzzing hub of activity with spectacular architectural projections on iconic national attractions, complemented by a range of free and ticketed interactive performance and installation works.

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