



## Karnivool and Draphht to headline sixth SOTA Festival

- *A FREE all-ages showcase of Western Australian talent*
- *Part of WA Day celebrations on Monday 5 June 2017*

SOTA returns with a fully Western Australian line up designed for music lovers of all ages, with both under 18 and licensed areas. Best of all, it's free!

Proudly presented as part of the 2017 WA Day Festival, and co-presented by WAM, the sixth annual SOTA showcase will be held at Elizabeth Quay Monday 5 June, as part of the WA Day long weekend festivities.

So, what does SOTA 2017 sound like?

**KARNIVOOL | DRAPHT | GYROSCOPE**  
**BOB EVANS | TIRED LION**  
**KATY STEELE | CROOKED COLOURS | ABBE MAY**  
**POW! NEGRO | RAG N' BONE | ZIGGY**  
**THE MONEY WAR | ELLI SCHOEN | THE CHINA BLUE EXPERIMENT**

With headliners that span everything from heavy rock to Aussie hip hop, SOTA's line-up includes a mix of WA favourites, old and new. Many of these artists will be returning from international or national tours to join us on home soil.

Rock legends **Karnivool** are joining us in anticipation of their fourth LP due for release later this year, as well as a national Australian tour in June/July. The ARIA-winning **Draphht** will bring the crowd to life with his well-known party starters and high-energy stage presence.

Old favourites **Gyroscope** have come together especially for this show, with rumours of a new LP on the cards. Jebediah's frontman returns as **Bob Evans** off the back of a domestic tour and two shows in Japan to share tunes that span the last two decades. **Tired Lion** will show us why they have been making waves internationally, including playing Glastonbury.

Bringing fresh directions for Little Birdy's frontwoman, **Katy Steele** graces us with tunes from her new album. Currently based on the east coast, Crooked Colours return to Perth for a rare

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hometown show. Doom pop award-winning songstress **Abbe May** will rock the stage with her tunes from forthcoming album 'Bitchcraft.'

The festival will also feature the incredible talent of WAM Award winners **POW! Negro**, recent album releasers **Rag n' Bone**, hip-hop artist of the moment **Ziggy**, the incredible harmonies of **The Money War**, powerhouse vocalist **Elli Schoen** and **The China Blue Experiment**, who featured on the Sounds of the Goldfields CD, produced by WAM in 2016.

In addition to these epic sounds we have plenty of food and drink to keep you hydrated and your energy levels high enough for dancing all day long. Be it tacos, curry, dumplings, bao or crepes that sets your mouth watering - the melting pot of flavours found within Western Australia will be at your fingertips via an impressive line-up of international food trucks at Eat Street. Those wanting a more sophisticated bite can visit the licensed Urban Providore where Perth's most popular restaurants will be serving up their flagship dishes, and local produce will also be showcased and available to purchase.

SOTA will be held on WA Day Monday as part of the wider WA Day Festival. Attendees will also be able to branch out from the SOTA Festival on the Sunday and Monday to enjoy a range of activities, including the Perth Makers Market, WA Celebrity Signature Dish, Jazz Concert and 'Play in WA' area that includes a range of activities for the whole family.

SOTA Festival is a collaboration derived from the desire to support, nurture and grow the creative opportunities for local artists, and to further position contemporary music as a leading cultural identifier for WA. The popularity and awareness of SOTA continues to grow from year to year and is a key feature on the WA music calendar.

## **SOTA**

### **A Festival Celebrating WA Music**

**Proudly presented as part of the 2017 WA Day Festival, co-presented by WAM**

**FREE – No registration required**

**ELIZABETH QUAY**

**Monday 5 June, 12-9pm**

For more information visit [sotafest.com.au](http://sotafest.com.au)

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SOTA is an all-ages event. Licensed area will also be available.

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