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Djerriwarrh Festival full line-up revealed

Strap yourself in for a musical feast because Melton City Council can announce that Bodyjar, Maddy Jane, Steph Strings and Leonie Kingdom will join Eskimo Joe at the Djerriwarrh Festival this November!

Eight-time ARIA award winners Eskimo Joe will headline the impressive list of artists for the first Djerriwarrh Festival since 2019.

Blistering, high energy, punk rock band Bodyjar has built a massive local and international following since forming in Melbourne in 1994. Their classic 1998 record *No Touch Red* led to a major label deal. In 2000 they released the smash hit *How It Works* which went gold and produced hits *Not The Same* and *Fall To The Ground*. Earlier this year the band unleashed their latest album *New Rituals* which is full of the supercharged melodic punk riffage that Bodyjar consistently delivers. The band feeds off the energy of a live crowd, rose to prominence at festivals like Warped Tour and Big Day Out, and will be sure to thrill on Djerriwarrh Festival's main stage.

Telling it like it is since 2017, independent singer-songwriter Maddy Jane is a regular on Triple J airwaves and she has supported the likes of Harry Styles and Red Hot Chilli Peppers. With millions of streams for breakout tracks *Thank You and Sorry* and *No Other Way*, Maddy's captivating lyrics and direct storytelling have earned her a massive following. She's sure to add more new fans at Djerriwarrh Festival and the good news is her debut album *Not All Bad Or Good* is out now.

Multi-instrumentalist Steph Strings will also bring her unique mix of percussion, Celtic, blues and coastal-fingerstyle indie rock to the main stage at Djerriwarrh Festival. Tickets to see this uniquely gifted artist tend to sell out fast.

Since indie-folk singer guitarist Leonie Kingdom's single *Night Terrors* hit number one on Triple J Unearthed, her haunting sounds have gained her attention from around the globe. She has since released tracks *2020*, *Cellito* and *Bricks* to solo shows across the country, and now it's time for the crowd at Djerriwarrh Festival's Busker's Tree to fall in love with her emotional songs.

City of Melton Mayor Cr Goran Kesic said he was thrilled that such popular high calibre music acts would be performing at this year's Djerriwarrh Festival.

"It's exciting to see Djerriwarrh Festival showcasing so many high-profile musicians and it goes to show that our homegrown festival is making a name for itself as a music lover's destination," Cr Kesic said.



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“I encourage everyone to come along and enjoy a great day out. This year’s Djerriwarrh Festival is all about diversity, inclusion and connection and we’ve made sure there’s entertainment for everyone to enjoy.”

Adding to the live music will be exciting free kids’ activities and performances in the kid’s zone, a big street parade to kick things off, market stalls bursting with wares from local artists and designers, a food truck alley serving delicious treats, a pet expo, and captivating performances at the intercultural stage.

A bonfire and fireworks display in the evening (weather permitting) will cap off the festival.

For more details, visit www.djerriwarrhfest.com.au

DJERRIWARRH FESTIVAL

When: Saturday 5 November
Where: Melton Recreation Reserve and High Street, Melton
Time: 11am – 10pm

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