

2008 Northbridge Festival

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From 1pm to 11pm you can enter the Festival and choose your own adventure. Check the signage through the streets for stage times or just let yourself drift and see what hits you next.

THE JAMES STREET QUARTER

William Street to Lake Street

James Street transformed, filled to the brim and bursting. Stalls, activities, galleries featuring local artists, collectors, retailers, designers and fashionistas of the future. Expect to find bargains direct from the WA producers that created them. Bring pocket money for your must have special treat and early Christmas stocking fillers for friends and family and enjoy a range of freebies.

Street performers, trapeze artists, multiple-micro stages, acrobatics and stunt displays will keep you guessing where to look next including these highlights and tasters...

Schmigloo

Direct from Melbourne's Next Wave Festival, this giant inflatable igloo normally runs as a festival bar. During the Northbridge Festival, it's running as a Free Fruit Bar. Drop in for a hit of Mother Nature's good stuff.

Total Exposure Exhibition

The Northbridge History Project presents a photo competition that captures the history of Northbridge, as seen by you. Prizes for best photos of Northbridge interiors, street cultures and creatives.

The Booth

Welcome and Enter. A private golden space filled with frankincense and solace. Confess to your priest and her video camera. She is there to pardon and absolve at 1pm to 4pm and from 6pm to 10pm.

Dangeruss

Be amazed as Dangeruss falls and tumbles, dazzling audiences with seat-of-your-pants aerials. View his show at 2.30pm and 7.30pm or visit his bamboo rig in the street, which is a stunning piece of sculpture to enjoy.

WA Bike Trials

These kids are stunt crazy. Awesome balances, drops, spins and flips. You will never look at a mountain bike in the same way again. 2pm, 4pm, 6pm, 8pm.

EPRA presents The Silver Surge

Look out as WA's biggest Disco Ball and a rather large Processional Horse are rolled down James Street by over 100 primary school students, parents, teachers and friends from local schools. It starts at 3pm from the Cultural Centre.

Silent Disco

Enter the disco, put on your head phones, choose your channel, then make a goose of yourself for the amusement of others as you shake it with your dance floor pals to the sound of your very own beat. Silent Disco is a radio station that is broadcast only for the participants. 5pm to 11pm.

Reform

Tuning in via radio headsets, audiences follow the loyal citizen's underground (I.c.u) taskforce through the streets of Northbridge and experience Neighbourhood Watch gone awry. Equipped with code of conduct cards and an over-zealous enthusiasm for legislation and social standards the I.c.u discover a ripe underbelly of civil disobedience amongst unwitting festival goers. Sign in at the Reform Booth for tours at 6pm, 7pm, 9.30pm and 10.30pm.

THE DOME QUARTER

Lake Street from James to Roe Street

You won't be relaxing with your cappuccino for long once the main stage program kicks off in The Dome Quarter.

With an eclectic array of fly-in and local musical talent, there's bound to be a set that will get your toe tapping and maybe even your booty shaking.

It kicks off at 5pm and runs till 11pm. Headline acts include...

Tom Tom Club

Direct from their sell out international tour, these boys are a virtuosic tour de force with buckets of street cool to boot. High energy drumming, circus acrobatics and aerial displays, performed to the beats of scratch-master DJ Dizzl on the turntables. 7pm

Odette Mercy & her Soul Atomic

Finally Perth has got its act together and produced its own soul band! With sounds that stem from the old school deep soul of the sixties and seventies, you'll be feeling the love of your parents favourite Motown, verve and stax labels. 8pm

THE PARADISO QUARTER

James Street from Lake Street to Mountain Terrace

Renowned for being one of the great alfresco restaurant strips of Perth, enjoy your meal under the night-sky whilst being entertained and bedazzled. A range of roving performers from near and far will pass by with each course, alongside a stage program in the middle of the street. Stimulate your senses from the afternoon into the evening and book your table early. Our prime pick of the bunch for this quarter is...

Pugsley Buzzard

Rich deep vocals and erratic piano virtuosity, Pugsley draws from a rich vein of piano based music from Harlem Stride, New Orleans Funk, Swampshack Jazz, Barrelhouse Blues to Modern Improvisations. 7pm.

THE MUSTANG QUARTER

Lake Street from James Street to Francis Street

Running from 4pm to 11pm on Saturday and 4pm to 10pm on Sunday, Northbridge's famous home of good-time rock and roll, The Mustang Bar is hosting a street stage on its door-step with a program that's as cool as a quiff and as sweet as a pink satin ruffle skirt.

Big N Busk-athon

Northbridge is set to heat up as buskers and performers compete in the Big N Busk-athon for major prizes! The Big N Busk-athon gives some amazing opportunities for a performer to be crowned the Big N Busk-athon Champion and win \$1000 in prize money! On Sunday in the Mustang Quarter, from 4pm. www.northbridgedealive.com.au

