



Semaphore Music Festival - Labour Day Long Weekend 28 Sept – 1 October, 2018

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2018 is the 14th year that the Semaphore Music Festival proudly supports local South Australian live music around the heritage precincts of Semaphore/Port Adelaide over the Long Weekend Friday 28 September to Monday, 1 October.

The participating venues this year are **Hart's Mill Flour Shed in Port Adelaide**, as well as pubs, clubs and businesses around Semaphore, Glanville and Exeter, including **Semaphore Workers Club, Lickerish Kitchen & Bar, Exeter Hotel, The Fed, Cumberland Hotel, Hades Hula House, Mr V Music, Semaphore Port Adelaide RSL, The Palais Hotel and St Bede's Church.**

Venues will present their curated SMF18 program from Friday 28 September through to Monday 1 October starting with the Official Opening Event at the Semaphore Workers Club presenting double headlining acts **Kings & Associates** and **Gail Page & Friends**. Country sweetheart **Amber Joy Poulton** will return to her hometown on Friday night appearing at Lickerish Kitchen and Bar whilst the **Young & the Wrestlers** will be at Hades Hula House and **RoKoUstika** at the Exeter Hotel.

The **Americana Music Association of Australia** will host acts appearing at the Semaphore Workers Club on Saturday 30 September with **Tara Carragher** presenting '**Righteously: The Music of Lucinda Williams**' supported by **Matt Ward and The Heggarties**.

Local pub The Exeter Hotel will transform into a Honky Tonk for the weekend featuring some of Adelaide's best Rockabilly, Blues and Roots acts including **Exeter Blues, Wanda Jackson's guitarist Johnny Siegel, The Memphis Suns, Nobody's Sweethearts** and the **Roots V Retro Record Hop**.

The Cumberland will feature **The Original West Enders** and shows over the weekend including **Lily & the Drum** and **Raging Thirst**, whilst the Semaphore Workers Club will present favourites **The Streamliners** and **Eric 'Toooh' Santucci** on Sunday 4pm to 8pm. The Semaphore/Port Adelaide RSL is hosting a very special tribute to '**Cohen & Waits**' with Rohan Powell and Ian 'Polly' Politis on Sunday 30th September 8pm to 11pm.

This is the second year that the Semaphore Music Festival hub will be located at **Hart's Mill precinct in Port Adelaide on Sunday 30 September & Monday 1 October**. 'This popular location is perfect for live music and cultural events,' says Event Organiser Debra Thorsen.

Sunday 30 September will see the return of community groups **Born on Monday Choir** and the **Adelaide Ukulele Appreciation Society**, followed by an amazing selection of local live music chosen from over 150 applications including **Already Gone, Angelik, Dirtyfrank, The Northern Lites, and Ron the Ox**.

The **BSide Community Stage** will host local singer songwriters and acoustic acts over the two days with **Alana Jagt, Paula Standing, David Robinson, Sofia Torchia, Rapscaillon, Ben Searcy, Courtney Robb & Snooks La Vie, Kylie Brice, James Hickey, Fergus Maximus, Henry D. Fenton** and more to be announced.

The APRA/AMCOS sponsored **Semaphore Songs** composers will present their offerings on Monday 1 October at Hart's Mill Flour Shed. They are **Nancy Bates, Tara Carragher, Emily Davis, Jessica Wishart, Mary Webb, Naomi Keyte, Nick Kipridis, Ange & Stephen Portolesi** who will participate in a songwriter speaks panel discussion convened by **Alana Jagt**. They will perform throughout the day, winding up with a rare performance by **Velvet Moth** and the **Emily Davis Band** presenting songs from her new album - **You, Me and the Velvet Sea**.

Favourites **The Rustlers and The Satellites** will appear at The Palais Hotel 3pm to 7pm on Monday 1 October.

Full line-up and playing times will be announced Sept 1 at www.semaphoremusicfestival.com

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