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## Line up announced for 2023 FUSION BOTANICAL multicultural festival

From culture to cuisine, there is much to enjoy at the 2023 FUSION BOTANICAL multicultural festival in the city's sprawling Botanic Gardens Precinct on Saturday 21 October.

Headlining the festival are *Bare Necessities Collective* (Sydney), as well as support acts *Munasib* (Sydney) and *Clypso* (Sydney).

These unique Australian artists will bring an eclectic mix of beats and DJ styles to the Brolga Pond stage kicking off at 4pm.

Wagga Wagga City Council's Director Community Janice Summerhayes says the festival has proven to be a community favourite in past years.

"FUSION BOTANICAL has grown to be one of the city's biggest outdoor events, with thousands of residents and visitors from across the region and beyond soaking in the sights, sounds and scents," Ms Summerhayes said.

"We have curated an exciting and eclectic line-up with some of the country's most creative and talented DJs and artists.

"Along with our headline and support acts, there will be a mix of other entertainment, including Silent Disco Walking Tours, interactive roving acts and outdoor creative play experiences alongside giant lawn games, miniature railway rides and our amazing community performers.

"You will want to arrive hungry at FUSION BOTANICAL multicultural festival with more than 25 traditional street food and drink vendors operating in the much-loved World Food Village. The full details will be announced in the coming weeks."

Try authentic street food, soak up the festival atmosphere and dance to upbeat, culturally diverse musicians at FUSION BOTANICAL.

The festival will be held in the Wagga Wagga Botanic Gardens, Macleay Street on Wiradyuri Nguramgbang (Country) from 4pm to 9.30pm on Saturday 21 October.

FUSION BOTANICAL is presented and funded by Wagga Wagga City Council and supported by cultural partner the Multicultural Council of Wagga Wagga.

To discover more about this year's festival, visit <a href="www.wagga.nsw.gov.au/fusion">www.wagga.nsw.gov.au/fusion</a> or follow FUSION Multicultural Festival on <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> and <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a>.

## **FUSION BOTANICAL**

Saturday 21 October, 4pm to 9.30pm Wagga Wagga Botanic Gardens, Macleay Street Wiradyuri Nguramgbang www.wagga.nsw.gov.au/fusion



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## **FUSION BOTANICAL HEADLINE ACTS**

**Bare Necessities Collective** – An energetic group displaying unstoppable DJ skills, frenetic dancing, blaring trumpets, and thumping percussion.

**Munasib [DJ set]** – The Australian born Bengali DJ marks a sea change in Australian dance culture, reflecting the plurality of the country's multiculturalism with sets that as easily include Bollywood beats as Vince Staples' 'Norf Norf.'

**Clypso [DJ set]** – Clypso is a Sydney based producer and vocalist, whose sound is a collage of hyperactive beats, basslines and global tropical music culture inspired electronica, or as she describes it, "troppo chilli flakes".

**Giant Loose Parts Play** – Brought to you by Reverse Garbage, this outdoor exploration of creativity and adventure presents Children with a kit of open-ended items which can be moved, carried, combined, redesigned, lined up, and taken apart and put back together in countless ways.

**Guru Dudu's Silent Disco Walking Tours** – Featuring spontaneous flash mobs, interpretative dance, group singing and lots of fun interaction with onlookers. Everyone wears headphones tuning in to a hilarious guided tour through a select playlist of uplifting dance favourites from the 70s to the modern era.

**Heap: Taking Compost to Great Heights** – Presented by Terrapin Puppet Theatre, this new roving performance takes the inner life of compost to great heights – literally! Featuring an ambitious amateur horticulturalist and a giant, unwieldy compost creature.

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## **About Wagga Wagga City Council**

Wagga Wagga City Council serves more than 68,000 residents across an area of 4825 square kilometres with an overall budget of more than \$236M.

The organisation manages more than \$2.48 billion in assets, including a 2300km road network, Wagga Wagga Airport, Livestock Marketing Centre and the Oasis Aquatic Centre.

Council also provides important community facilities such as Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, Wagga Wagga City Library, Museum of the Riverina and Civic Theatre, as well as maintaining countless parks, playgrounds and sporting facilities to ensure Wagga maintains its reputation as 'the City of Good Sports'.

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