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Festival of Small Halls Announces Summer Tour 2023: Queenscliff Folk Festival to Woodford Folk Festival



Festival of Small Halls has announced that Assynt and Jackie Marshall will feature on their upcoming Summer Tour 2023: Queenscliff Music Festival to Woodford Folk Festival.

Produced by Woodfordia Inc, the team behind the world-renowned Woodford Folk Festival, the Festival of Small Halls is Australia's largest regional music tour. This 2023 tour marks the 9th edition of the coastal Queensland run, with 18 communities along the coast of Queensland flinging open their doors with a warm welcome of folk spirit and hand-made love.

The Summer Tour 2023 will kick things off at long-time partner festival Queenscliff Music Festival, before flying up to Machans Beach outside of Cairns for the first halls show on Tuesday November 28th. The tour will then weave its way along the coast, experiencing the crystal waters of seaside towns from Airlie Beach to Rainbow Beach, before completing a little loop ducking into the Southern Downs, Gold Coast, and Goondiwindi Shires.

An incredible group of communities have invited us to their halls this year, with eight hosts putting on their first Festival of Small Halls show. Ready to tell stories, weave histories and passion into these halls, are Scotland's award-winning instrumental folk musicians Assynt. Renowned for their tight-knit fiddle and pipe playing blend, the powerful and intuitive trio of musicians are sure to become a new favourite.

Itching to present their tunes to audiences across Australia, Assynt noted "we have been looking forward to touring Australia as part of the Small Halls tour for over four years now! A little later than planned due to the pandemic, we are excited to showcase our Scottish music for the Australian audiences and experience the culture in Queensland and Victoria!"

Jackie Marshall is a folk musician, singer and songwriter, but her influences are drawn from Western folk and country of the 60's and 70's, through to jazz and improvisational pieces.

Her work brims with warmth and energy, and her mission is to perform with the heart and soul of a music lover, speaking to the heart and souls of the audience.

"It's a huge pleasure to be heading out on the road for Small Halls," said Jackie.

"I love being in motion, soaking up the colours of this beautiful country, meeting new people with fascinating stories, and experiencing the joy of performing to intimate audiences in venues rich with the feeling of personal connection. I feel incredibly fortunate to be involved."

Festival of Small Halls Summer Tour 2023 starts on the 23rd November at Queenscliff Music Festival, before heading north to the Machans Beach Community Hall for November 28th. The tour continues to 17 communities along coastal Queensland. The tour concludes at Woodford Folk Festival from the 27th December – 1st January.

For full dates see next page.

Tickets on sale from 4th October at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com

Woodfordia Inc presents
FESTIVAL OF SMALL HALLS SUMMER TOUR 2023
featuring
Assynt and Jackie Marshall

Nov-23 – Nov 26	Queenscliff	Queenscliff Music Festival	Tickets available at https://www.qmf.net.au/
Nov-28	Machans Beach	Machans Beach Community Hall	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Nov-29	Innisfail	The Con Theatre	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Nov-30	TBA		Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-1	Airlie Beach	PCYC Jubilee Pocket	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-2	Sarina	Bob Wood Cultural Hall	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-3	Yeppoon	The Queen Street Hall	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-5	Captain Creek	Captain Creek Community Sport and Recreation Club	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-6	Burnett Heads	Burnett Heads Community Hall	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-7	TBA		Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-8	Beerwah	Beerwah Community Hall	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-9	Ballandean	Ballandean Hall	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-10	Talwood	Talwood Community Centre	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-12	Kooralbyn	Kooralbyn Community Hall	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-13	Austinville	Mt Nimmel Hall	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-14	Macleay Island	Macleay Island Community Centre Hall	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-15	Esk	Somerset Civic Centre	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-16	Marburg	Church of Christ Marburg	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-17	Rainbow Beach	Rainbow Beach Community Centre Hall	Tickets available at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com
Dec-27 – Jan-1 24	Woodford	Woodford Folk Festival	Tickets available at https://woodfordfolkfestival.com

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