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Festival Village Family

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Photo: Jazzamatazz! © Prudence Upton

If you're looking for a day out with the kids this summer, head to Festival Village in Hyde Park. We've got the last week of the school holidays covered.

Jazzamatazz! | Ali McGregor (Australia)

The Aurora Spiegeltent, 20 January at 12pm, 21-24 January at 10am and 12pm \$25 General Admission. Suitable for 2 – 10 year olds (Under 2s free).

"Filled with giggling, running and dancing." Broadway Baby

Recently nominated for an ARIA for "Best Children's Album", the hugely successful *Jazzamatazz!* returns to Festival Village to teach the kids some new moves in an energetic hour of jazzy beats, trashy pop classics and unadulterated fun.

Trained opera singer and cabaret star **Ali McGregor** is famous for her big voice, smiling stage presence and irresistible covers of trashy pop and old time favourites. Direct from sellout London and Edinburgh Fringe Festival seasons, warm up your jazz hands and put on your best dancing shoes in a giggle-filled treat suitable for tiny tots and kids aged up to 10 years old.

In Jazzamatazz!, Ali and her band are joined by two highly energetic dancers, who will help to tire the little ones out this summer holidays with an action-packed hour of singing, prancing, twisting and dancing. Parents and grandparents can sit back and relax or join in with fun-filled numbers such as 'Single Ladies', 'Who Let the Dogs Out?' and 'It's Oh So Quiet'.

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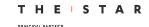
The Luck Child | David Collins (Australia)

The Famous Spiegeltent, 21 January at 12.30pm, 22 – 24 January at 11am and 12.30pm, 25 January at 11am

\$25 General Admission. Suitable for 5 – 12 year olds.

"Every age filed out beaming." The Age





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The Luck Child is the story of the luckiest boy in the world, an evil king and a three-headed hound from hell ... well, one head's a cat, but it's angry.

This show is full of laughs, delightful characters and is a wonderful adventure into theatre for kids. David Collins (**The Umbilical Brothers**) and Jonathan Biggins (*The Wharf Revue*) team up to bring you the prize-winning show that makes every single child believe they are the Luck Child.

The Luck Child audiences are also invited to take part in crown making activities after the show.

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Fright or Flight | 3 is a Crowd (Australia)
The Famous Spiegeltent, 13 – 18 January at 5.30pm
\$30 General Admission. Suitable for ages 8+

"Fantastically funny and clever." Total Theatre UK

Inspired by the behaviour of birds, three circus performers cluck and peck their way through enthralling acts of spellbinding aerials and offbeat acrobatics to reach a heart-stopping finale. Armed with an arresting soundtrack, *Fright or Flight* takes you on a rare journey into the coop of the chaotic, the beautiful and the enchanting.

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Higher Ground | Maser (Ireland) Hyde Park North 8-25 January, 9am-9pm

"...youthful, exuberant, carefree, optimistic." New York Times

Known all over the globe for his vibrant murals and interactive sculptures, the Festival Village's artist in residence has something extra special in mind for Sydney. A colourful, multi-dimensional landscape for adults and children alike, Maser's *Higher Ground* reimagines a world of converging architecture and geometry on a grand scale. Rising up from the Hyde Park lawn and reaching over two storeys high, this installation relies on you to bring it to life. Physical and visual boundaries collide, and explosive colours, shapes and stripes offer you plenty of reasons to explore space. Maser will create a large scale installation that people can traverse, explore (and Instagram) for the Festival Village in 2015.

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Family Week Festival Village 20-25 January, 10am-3pm FREE

A jam packed fun Family Week program to suit every age.

Children can explore their inner artist with **Hotbed Design**'s workshop, inspired by the Maser mural using block printing on sustainable fabric. Go exploring with the Australian Museum as they bring their collections and hands on activities into Hyde Park. Make the digital world a reality with artist **Maybe** (___) **Together** and search for a "Hope St" home anywhere in the world on Google and send the owner a personal postcard. Bop along to the tunes from charming parlour ensemble, **Vintage Quartestra** as they put their unique spin on our favourite cartoon theme songs. Get fresh, twist and sprout with the juiciest, rootsiest bunch in town: **The**



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Vegetable Plot is a show packed full of tasty melodies, nutritious grooves and delicious puns so you never think the same way about vegetables again.

Where Festival Village in Hyde Park

Hyde Park North, corner College & Park Streets, Sydney

When 8 – 26 January, closed Mondays.

Bookings Sydney Festival 1300 668 812

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Access All minors must be accompanied by a responsible adult

A selection of food and beverages is available.

Multipacks are available for all Sydney Festival events except Disco Dome. Book 3 or more events and save. Discounts apply to full price A Reserve or General Admission tickets.

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