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SYDNEY FESTIVAL 2017

Billions Australia, The Guardian & Sydney Festival present

PJ Harvey



Photo: Christine Goodwin

Multi-award winning artist **PJ Harvey** returns to Sydney Festival in January as part of a national tour in Australia and New Zealand with her full 10-piece band.

Shows in Perth, Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney, Auckland, Wellington and Brisbane follow the release of the critically acclaimed album *The Hope Six Demolition Project*, which hit #1 in the UK album charts. The dates will be PJ Harvey's first musical performances in Australia and New Zealand since 2012, with a show that is receiving rave reviews from audiences in the US and across Europe.

"Right from the first song, PJ Harvey's current live show is a tour de force of beautiful and savage artistry. Her latest album, The Hope Six Demolition Project, reads like an elegy for imperialism, its songs become a dramatic celebration of hope live...By the time the night was done the audience called for an encore, and when that was done, it screamed for another, chanting and clapping until well after Harvey's microphone was removed. The show is that good." Kory Grow, ROLLING STONE, on the New York show at Terminal 5

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Tickets for the Sydney Festival performance will go on sale on Thursday 1 September at 8am. All other shows will go on sale at 9am.

PJ Harvey's Australian and New Zealand tour dates are:

Tuesday 17 January – Fremantle Arts Centre, Perth
Thursday 19 January – Thebarton Theatre, Adelaide
Saturday 21 January – Sidney Myer Music Bowl, Melbourne
Sunday 22 January - ICC Sydney Theatre, Sydney (Sydney Festival)
Tuesday 24 January – Logan Campbell Centre, Auckland, NZ
Wednesday 25 January – Michael Fowler Centre, Wellington, NZ
Friday 27 January – Tivoli Theatre, Brisbane, QLD

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Full biography can be downloaded here

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About Sydney Festival:

Sydney Festival was originally conceived by the Sydney Committee, the NSW State Government and the City of Sydney with a view to attracting people into the city centre during the holiday month of January.

The first Festival took place in 1977 and it has since grown to become one of Australia's largest annual cultural celebrations with an international reputation for modern, popular and intelligent programming. In many ways it is still best understood as a celebration of Sydney and its style and energy reflect the confidence, diversity and vigour of one of the world's most beautiful cities.

Sydney Festival's audacious contemporary programming positions it at the forefront of arts practice in Australia. The Festival attracts an audience of over 500,000 in venues across Sydney and Parramatta.