

# DECEMBER DISCO FEVER! A DAY ON THE GREEN & INDOOR SHOWS

Get set to put on your boogie shoes and party when disco legends **KC & THE SUNSHINE BAND**, **VILLAGE PEOPLE** and **SISTER SLEDGE** combine for a huge Australian tour this December.

Disco fever will hit **a day on the green** with five shows nationally, plus in conjunction with Frontier Touring, indoor shows in Melbourne and Sydney.

All artists will perform with full bands, including an impressive 15-piece outfit with **KC & THE SUNSHINE BAND.** 

The Australian tour sees the welcome return of original lead singer and 'cop', Victor Willis – the first time he's performed with the **VILLAGE PEOPLE** in more than 25 years. "The biggest initial break in my career was in Australia in 1976 when I starred as the Tin Man in the Australian version of 'The Wiz'," said Victor. "So really, it all started for me there. Therefore, it's fitting that I kick off my return as the lead singer in Australia because the people there loved me first."

Joining the celebration at **a day on the green** will be Australia's own disco royalty — **MARCIA HINES**.

Picture this: The king of boogie and the queens of disco sharing the same stage with a cowboy, a construction worker, a Native American, a policeman, a biker and a soldier at an event jam-packed with guaranteed party-starters. Can you dig it! We're talking:

That's The Way (I Like It), Give It Up, Boogie Shoes, Get Down Tonight, Shake Your Booty, Can't Stop The Music, Y.M.C.A, In The Navy, Macho Man, We Are Family, He's The Greatest Dancer - and that's just for starters!

Get up and shake your booty with the kings of disco, **KC & THE SUNSHINE BAND**. Formed in Miami, Florida in 1973 by Harry Wayne Casey (KC), the band ruled the charts in the mid-'70s with four number one hits in a row – *Get Down Tonight, That's The Way (I Like it), (Shake Shake Shake) Shake Your Booty* and *I'm Your Boogie Man*. The string of hits kept coming with *Keep It Comin' Love, Boogie Shoes*, and 1980 saw them top the Australian and US charts with *Please Don't Go.* In

1983, the band made a welcome return to dancefloors around the world with the chart-topping *Give It Up.* 

With irresistible elements of funk, disco and R&B, KC's music has resonated with fans for four decades. The Grammy Award-winners have sold more than 100 million records and were honoured with a star on the prestigious Hollywood Walk of Fame. In 2015 **KC & THE SUNSHINE BAND** released *Feeling You! The '60s,* KC's tribute to the era that shaped him. Celebrating more than 40 years of making booties shake, they've been a frequent visitor to our shores over the decades and were last here in 2014.

Also celebrating 40 years in show business, **VILLAGE PEOPLE** have sold more than 100 million records and ingrained themselves into pop culture history with some of the biggest hits and most memorable characters of all time. Created by French music producer and composer Jacques Morali in 1977, the **VILLAGE PEOPLE** quickly became one of the most successful acts of the disco era with their flamboyant albums and catchy songs, including the Top 10 smash hits on the Australian charts – *Can't Stop The Music*, *Y.M.C.A*, *In The Navy* and *Macho Man*. The guys are also great mates with KC – he wrote and produced their 2013 single *Let's Go Back To The Dance Floor*.

The **VILLAGE PEOPLE** have always shared a special bond with their Australian fans. The *Can't Stop The Music* movie – starring the **VILLAGE PEOPLE**, Valerie Perrine, Bruce Jenner and Steve Guttenberg – found its biggest audience in Australia, and is now shown every New Year's Eve on Channel Nine. In 2004, the band performed at the NRL Grand Final and even made a film here in 1998 called *Village People Go North Down Under*, sharing music and culture with Indigenous communities in the Northern Territory.

In 1979 **SISTER SLEDGE** teamed with Chic's Nile Rodgers and Bernard Edwards and released their iconic album *We Are Family*. The album's first single, *He's The Greatest Dancer*, shook up dancefloors around the world, while the follow-up title track skyrocketed the group into disco royalty. Other hits include *Lost In Music, Thinking Of You* and 1985 saw them back at the top of the charts with *Frankie*. As one of the original "girl groups", Grammy Award-nominees **SISTER SLEDGE** have collected a string of Gold and Platinum records and sold more than 15 million records worldwide. Known for their electrifying live shows, they have performed on some of the most prestigious stages in the world. As the Chicago Tribune said, "*Sister Sledge has the stuff legends are made of.*"

**MARCIA HINES** came to Australia in 1970 from Boston to star in the stage musical *Hair*. She was just 16 and had no idea where Australia was – she thought she was going to Austria. But Marcia quickly became one of our most-loved stars, crowned Queen of Pop in 1976, 1977 and 1978, and having hits in three decades, with 11 Top 40 entries, including *You*, *From The Inside*, *I Just Don't Know What To Do With Myself* and *Music Is My Life*. She was inducted into the ARIA Hall of Fame in 2007 and received the Order of Australia (AM) in 2009. Marcia shows no signs of slowing down, recently starring in the smash hit musical *Velvet*.

If you wanna feel the funk and get down with da boogie, this is the show for you! Feathers, sequins and cowboy hats optional. As the Village People say: *You can't stop the music!* 

## TICKETS ON SALE MONDAY AUGUST 7

## A DAY ON THE GREEN SHOWS:

KC & The Sunshine Band, Village People, Sister Sledge, Marcia Hines

Thur Dec 7	Kings Park & Botanic Garden, Perth, WA
Sat Dec 9	Leconfield Wines, McLaren Vale, SA
Sun Dec 10	Rochford Wines, Yarra Valley VIC
Sat Dec 16	Bimbadgen, Hunter Valley, NSW
Sun Dec 17	Sirromet Wines, Mt Cotton, QLD

Tickets on sale Monday August 7 at 10.00am local time from www.ticketmaster.com.au |

Ph: 136 100

All event information www.adayonthegreen.com.au

# **INDOOR SHOWS: (Frontier Touring)**

KC & The Sunshine Band, Village People, Sister Sledge

Tues Dec 12 Margaret Court Arena, Melbourne

Thurs Dec 14 Hordern Pavilion, Sydney

Tickets on sale Monday August 7 at 2.00pm local time from <a href="www.ticketek.com">www.ticketek.com</a>. | Ph: 132 849 All event information <a href="www.frontiertouring.com">www.frontiertouring.com</a>

## **ABOUT A DAY ON THE GREEN:**

This summer season marks the 17<sup>th</sup> year of **a day on the green**, which started in January 2001. After more than 425 shows and three million happy patrons, the **a day on the green** experience of good food, good wine and great music is firmly established as one of Australia's most popular concert events.

#### **EVENT INFORMATION:**

**a day on the green** is a fully licensed event. Strictly no BYO alcohol. Food will be available on site or BYO picnic. Deck chairs and picnic rugs are recommended. For all transport, accommodation and event information, go to <a href="https://www.adayonthegreen.com.au">www.adayonthegreen.com.au</a>

#### **ARTIST IMAGES:**

High Res artist images and tour art available for download here: <a href="https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ek4kd0chfr4k1fp/AABn-E5Hav0rpECiZrnq0TxKa?dl=0">https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ek4kd0chfr4k1fp/AABn-E5Hav0rpECiZrnq0TxKa?dl=0</a>

http://www.heykcsb.com/ | http://www.officialvillagepeople.com/ |http://www.sistersledge.com/

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