



Esplanade Day is back in 2015 - prepare yourselves for another wonderful family day out.

Victoria Esplanade will once again come alive with a fantastic mix of live entertainment, activities, food, culture, and family fun!

Esplanade Day will showcase a variety of community groups and local organisations, as well as local and national performers, bands, and dance groups. It is a great opportunity to learn and get involved with some of our local organisations and support our local talent, while enjoying a relaxing day in the park!

There will be plenty of food to taste and stalls to browse around at Esplanade Day, as well as endless entertainment for the kids - free bouncy castles, horse rides, amusements, face painting, balloons and much more!

On the Victoria stage there will be music all day from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., In the "Kids Zone" there will be plenty of entertainment, rides and activities to do for the kids as well as local groups performing all sorts of dance from jazz to zumba.

So make sure you and your family get down to Esplanade Day and make the most of this exciting event.

If you are a vendor interested in having a food, craft or activity site at this event please [click here for the application form.](#)

[Esplanade Day 2015 Site Map PDF](#) | [Kidz Zone Schedule PDF](#) | [Victoria House Stage Schedule PDF](#)

Bands & Acts

Mat Enright

Mat Enright is a musician that plays music. He writes music and eats music, then sings it back out while playing the guitar! Blues, Folk, Soul, and Swing are among the styles that can be expected. From playing on the carol truck as a kid with the brass band to playing in working bands of all kinds in the Wellington region for the past few years, Mat recently completed a project to play 365 solo performances in 365 days.

D.A.D.S



Swing Blues Band. ☐ The most authentic '20s and '30s experience you'll get this side of the naughties - a 4 piece act featuring vocals, clarinet, trumpet, guitar, bass saxophone, bass drum and hi hats, DADS make a toast to the intoxicating old world mélange of New Orleans Swing/Blues that will get fingers clicking and feet stomping!

Bossa Legal

"Oi, bom dia! Bossa Legal, or "cool Bossa" in Portuguese is a local jazz group bringing the sounds of South America to the Manawatu. With a line-up that includes voices, flute, saxophone, vibraphone, acoustic guitar, double bass and real Brazilian percussion instruments the band explores the smooth, romantic sounds and gently syncopated rhythms of 1960s Brazil. Tudo bem!

The Big Little Circus



Zane Jarvie, Degge Jarvie and Imogen Stone combine their skills and passion for juggling, circus and physical performance to create their own epic street theatre show – “The Biggest Little Circus Show”.

Zane and Degge were born into juggling. “We have been juggling longer than I can remember, I blame it on my parents,” says Zane. Over the years they have become among the best jugglers in the country performing nationwide, winning the Iron Chicken (for best kiwi act) at “The World Buskers Festival 2015” and the making it to the final of “New Zealand’s Got Talent 2012.” They enjoy bringing humour into their highly skilled juggling.

“Zane and Degge are, well Zane and Degge – there’s no one like them; they are entertaining, fun, flexible (literally) and great to work with. I love having them at the events we do as they never cease to charm and engage an audience – however old.” – KJ Smith, Wellington City Council

Imogen Stone has been involved in performance arts from a young age and is known for her musicality and physicality. While still at school, she performed professionally for corporate events from Auckland to Dunedin, until an invitation to tour with “Circus Aotearoa” along with Zane tempted her to run away to the circus in December 2012. “Touring with a Big Top circus was a lifetime experience, truly unforgettable.” says Imogen. This summer she will be fresh from training overseas bringing her new exciting skills to “The Biggest Little Circus.”

“The Biggest Little Circus Show” is a high pace, high energy and incredibly engaging show. The show includes everything from juggling, adagio, fire, unicycles and of course circus aerials. The show is compact in set-up, but big in skill and presence! It is perfect for small or large spaces, events, or festivals.

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As comfortable in your back yard (for your birthday/wedding/anniversary party) as they are on the big stage, they bring a fresh approach to some great songs of old and new.

With over 50 years experience in the music business between them, Jon and Dale bring

experience and confidence to any stage they play on.

Covers from the 50s through to the present day, all with a bit of a Jondal twist.

Dale Bridger - guitar and vocals. A talented multi-instrumentalist, Dale plays six-string guitar in Jondal but is often seen on 4-string instruments, playing lead-Ukulele in the brilliant Ukephoria and Bass Guitar in the original soul-ska band Truly Made.

Jon Bowen - guitar and vocals. another multi-instrumentalist.; Jon started out on Bass, moved to drums, then guitar. He's had songs published internationally and is the songwriter, guitarist and lead vocalist in New Zealand original soul-ska band Truly Made.