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A FESTIVAL OF LIGHT, MUSIC & IDEAS

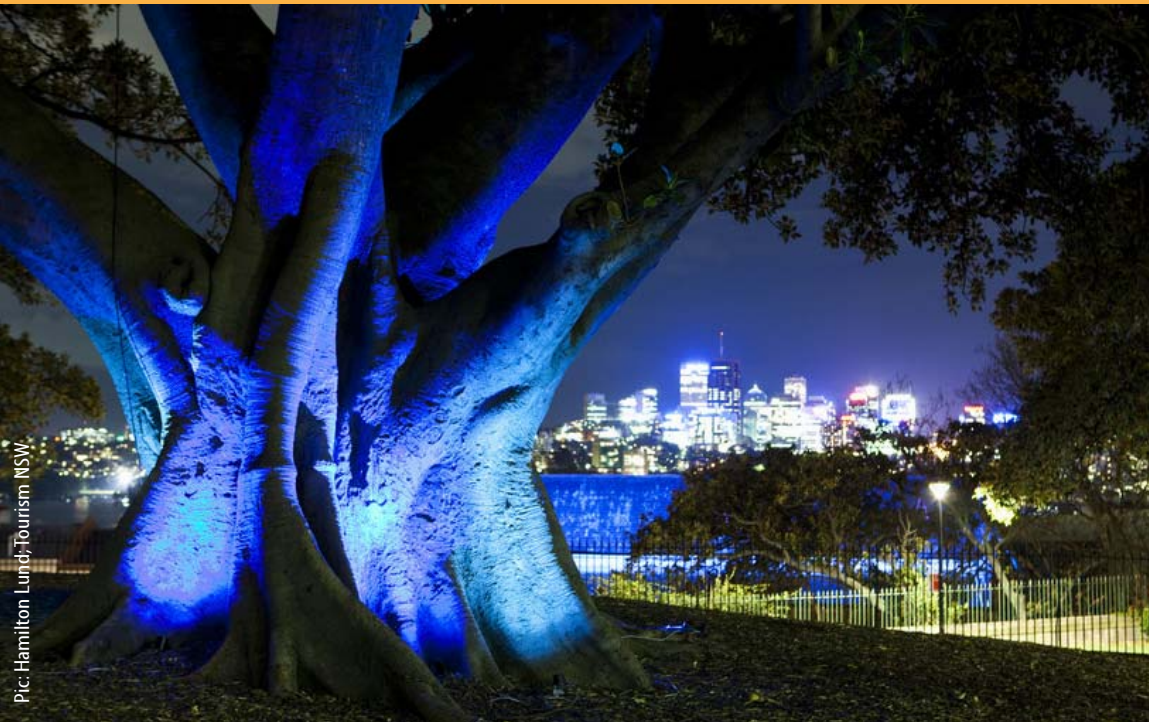
VIVID SYDNEY

27 MAY – 21 JUNE 2010

Events include:

Lighting the Sails of the Opera House,
The Rocks Fire Water,
Macquarie Visions
and an extraordinary line up of talent.

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Vivid Sydney (27 May-21 June) is an annual festival of light, music and ideas featuring the spectacular illumination of the Sydney Opera House sails. The festival includes large scale light installations and projections; music performances and collaborations; creative ideas, discussion and debate.

Vivid Sydney is a vibrant public festival that will transform the city into a spectacular living canvas of music and light from Hyde Park, through Macquarie Street to Sydney Opera House and Circular Quay. There are also events taking place at Darling Harbour.



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Lighting the sails



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Vivid Sydney once again features the spectacular illumination of the Sydney Opera House sails. In 2009 Brian Eno's 'Lighting the Sails', attracted more than 200,000 people to the festival. Images of the Eno's sails generated extensive global media coverage seen by more than 60 million people globally.

This year Vivid LIVE co-curators Laurie Anderson and Lou Reed will put their own mark on Utzon's iconic sails.

VIVID SYDNEY EVENTS

For more information on Vivid Sydney visit www.vividsydney.com

Macquarie Visions



27 May – 20 June 2010

Macquarie Visions casts a new light onto Sydney's ceremonial street from 27 May - 20 June. The 200th anniversary and story of Governor Lachlan Macquarie and his wife Elizabeth will be celebrated in stunning and immersive light displays. The Macquaries' innovations are revealed with illuminating, theatrical and contemporary light displays in a family friendly free night promenade along the length of the Macquarie Street linking Hyde Park to the Sydney Opera House and Circular Quay.



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The Rocks Fire Water



11-14 June 2010

Four nights of flame, food and spectacle as fire sculptures, live performance and local restaurateurs transport you back in time each evening from 11-14 June. Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority will present The Rocks Fire Water, a free performance event that incorporates fires, on and around the harbour at Campbells Cove.

This year, Fire Water is based on the incredible voyage of the Sydney Cove which was sent from Calcutta in 1797 to Australia by merchant Robert Campbell - of Campbells Cove name. The contemporary interpretation of his remarkable journey is told from the perspective of an 11 year old Indian-Australian girl using live performance and multi-media to create a theatrical event.

The show will include a Bollywood-style spectacle featuring tall ships arriving with a glowing light installation and billows of colourful smoke bursting from the ships in the style of the Indian Holi festival.



Vivid Music at the Opera House

For more information and tickets, visit <http://vividlive.sydneyoperahouse.com/performances.htm>

Rickie Lee Jones

Dates: 28 May 2010

Rickie Lee Jones will perform songs from the back catalogue of her greatest hits as well as tracks from her 15th critically-acclaimed studio release, Balm in Gilead. [MORE INFO](#)

Boris

Dates: 28 - 29 May 2010

The archetypal outsiders of the Japanese punk and metal worlds; too restless and unpredictable to be categorised, too artistically driven to let anyone catch up to them. [MORE INFO](#)

Laurie Anderson Talks

Dates: 28 May - 11 June 2010

Known for her enduring interest in storytelling, Vivid LIVE will include artist talks with festival curator Laurie Anderson. Details to be announced soon.

Lou Reed's Metal Machine Trio

Dates: 30 May 2010

The trio will venture into deep noise, with no songs or vocals, partly inspired by Lou Reed's seminal 1975 album, Metal Machine Music. [MORE INFO](#)

Bardo Pond

Dates: 1 June 2010

Sonic pioneers Bardo Pond's psychedelic space rock, with explicitly drug-inspired titles, droning guitars, thick distortion, feedback and washes of white noise. [MORE INFO](#)

Transitory Life

Dates: 1 - 2 June 2010

A Retrospective, Songs and Stories By Laurie Anderson. Transitory Life is a solo retrospective performance by Laurie Anderson drawing on her life's work and features a collection of songs and stories from her acclaimed solo performance work. [MORE INFO](#)

King Khan & BBQ show

Dates: 3 June 2010

Punk, soul, garage-rock, doo-wop, noise, country and free jazz all get thrown into King Kong & BBQ Show pop culture blender – putting the danger back into the devil's music. [MORE INFO](#)

Chirgilchin

Dates: 4 June 2010

Tuvan throat-singing champions Chirgilchin will transport you to a primal place at the edges of music and song with their impossibly beautiful, other-worldly sounds. [MORE INFO](#)

Tai Chi

Dates: 4 - 7 June 2010

Vivid LIVE will include early morning tai chi classes on the Forecourt with Lou Reed's New York tai chi master, Ren Guang Yi. Details to be announced soon.

My Brightest Diamond

Dates: 6 June 2010

My Brightest Diamond is the project of singer/songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Shara Worden. Mixing elements of opera, cabaret, chamber music and rock, their sound is exquisite and totally unique. [MORE INFO](#)

The Shipment

Dates: 8 - 11 June 2010

New York's much lauded Young Jean Lee Theatre Company makes its Australian debut with The Shipment, a sophisticated piece of seriously funny avant garde theatre, a centrepiece of Vivid LIVE at Sydney Opera House. [MORE INFO](#)



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