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## MAREEBA, CAIRNS HINTERLAND 1-3 OCTOBER 2021

## SAVANNAH IN THE ROUND: THE NUMBERS ARE IN AS 11,000 PEOPLE HEAD TO TROPICAL NORTH QUEENSLAND

2022 DATES ANNOUNCED & INTERNATIONAL HEADLINER TEASED <u>DOWNLOAD IMAGES HERE</u>



Despite lockdowns, line up changes and the most challenging year in Australian music history, **Savannah in the Round** delivered three huge nights of entertainment, becoming the **biggest** camping festival in Australia to proceed in 2021.

With just over **11,000 people** descending on Far North Queensland, the event was the biggest of its kind in the small town of Mareeba, around an hour West of Cairns, with artists like **Lee Kernaghan**, **John Butler**, **Sheppard** and more reminding Australia of the healing power of live music.

"The Queensland community really came together to support what has been an event that has surpassed everyone's expectations," said Sound Australia **Festival Director James Dein**. "What the artists and staff have achieved in such trying circumstances is nothing short of amazing and we have now cemented **Savannah in the Round** in the annual calendar."





"For many of these artists, it was one of the only gigs they've been able to play this year and for festival-goers, it was a reminder that there is light at the end of the tunnel and that there is simply nothing better than live music."

Savannah in the Round was also the first event to provide an on-site COVID-19 vaccination tent, with the facility running out of stock on Friday, showing the willingness of fans to roll up their sleeves for live music.

"Creating a festival in the middle of a pandemic is no easy task, but vaccination is the key to freedom, and we're pleased that our partnership with Queensland Health was able to help our patrons get the jab so that normal life can be just around the corner."

The festival announced its 2022 dates with an exclusive pre-sale to those on the ground at this year's festival, with public tickets on sale soon. Next year's event will happen from September 30 – October 2 on the Queen's birthday long weekend, with a big new line up including international talent pending borders opening.

"We are very close to securing our first international touring artist to join the line up of Savannah in the Round 2022," **said James Dein**. "We are just an hour away from Cairns international airport in one of the most beautiful places in the world. While this year we were limited by the circumstances, the amazing support from the community has meant that we can fast track our plans to be a destination festival not only for Australian music fans, but to those across the region. With the reef, the rainforest and now the music, what artist wouldn't want to come and see the real Australia."

Tickets for Savannah in the Round 2022 will be on sale <u>soon</u> via: <u>www.savannahintheround.com.au</u>

## **SAVANNAH IN THE ROUND 2021 WELCOMED:**

JOHN WILLIAMSON – JOHN BUTLER – LEE KERNAGHAN SHEPPARD – SNEAKY SOUND SYSTEM

ADAM BRAND – SARA STORER – TROY CASSAR-DALEY – GRAEME CONNORS CASEY BARNES – RUSSELL MORRIS & BRIAN CADD GLENN SHORROCK – BUSBY MAROU – THE WOLFE BROTHERS BRAD COX – BECCY COLE – CAITLYN SHADBOLT – LITTLE STEELY BROTHERS

BRAD BUTCHER – HINTERLAND – JAMES JOHNSTON – JOSH SETTERFIELD JULIAN JAMES – HUSSY HICKS – HILLBILLY GOATS – COL FINLEY & WILL DAY

DAVID HUDSON – MURPHY'S PIGS – ROUTE 33 – THE TONY Q BAND – CAMILLE TRAIL – SAMMY WHITE FELICITY KIRCHER – CAMERON CUSACK – THE ROADTRIPPERS – ROZ PAPPALARDO AURELLE BRUNJES – ROBERT CINI – TALITHA JAE – JEREMY FLETCHER PAMAGIRRI DANCERS – DEE JAYE BUX

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