

## Festival in the Domain

**The Flaming Lips, Summer Sounds in The Domain – 9 January**  
**Symphony in the Domain with the Sydney Symphony Orchestra – 16 January**  
**Opera in the Domain with Opera Australia – 23 January**



Photo: Summer Sounds in the Domain © Prudence Upton

Our Domain concert series is back in 2016 with three fantastic concerts to celebrate Sydney Festival's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Kicking it all off with a bang this year will be a free performance by **The Flaming Lips** in what will surely be a summer party of epic proportions. Everyone is invited to this all ages event where food and drinks will be readily available for purchase, no need to bring your own. Food and alcohol will not be allowed in for Summer Sounds.

**Symphony in the Domain** returns this year to take us on a very special 'best of' musical journey set against the magnificent backdrop of Australia's natural landscape, and **Opera in the Domain** will once again fill the Domain with the magnificent operatic arias of some of Australia's best Opera singers. There's no better way to spend a warm Summer's evening than settling into The Domain with a picnic blanket, hamper and your friends and family for these two free concerts under the stars.

Keeping with tradition, Sydney Festival populates the Domain with tens of thousands in a series that brings the city together.

### **Summer Sounds in the Domain: The Flaming Lips** **9 January from 5pm – (Gates Open)**

Take all the things you know and love about *The Flaming Lips* – the psychedelic pop anthems, the beamed-from-outer-space live shows, and the feelings of joy and goodwill towards your fellow humans, creatures and Martians – and now imagine all of this happening in The Domain, for free. It's basically a recipe for your best summer music experience ever, and it's open to everyone.

Over the course of three decades, Wayne Coyne's Oklahoma crew has proven itself a musical force to be reckoned with, offering cult favourites like *'She Don't Use Jelly'* alongside such chart hits as *'Do You Realize??'* and live performances that are simply unrivalled. Come celebrate Sydney Festival's 40th summer at this glorious spectacle under the stars.

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[sydneyfestival.org.au/flaminglips](http://sydneyfestival.org.au/flaminglips)

### **Symphony in the Domain with Sydney Symphony Orchestra 16 January at 8pm**

It wouldn't be summer in Sydney without *Symphony in The Domain*. Celebrate our 40th by bringing a hamper, a blanket and your friends – all dressed in ruby – and settle in for a free concert under the stars. This year the Sydney Symphony Orchestra is doing something special for our birthday; they've gathered a repertoire of music performed at *Symphony in The Domain* over the years to astound us with a 'best of' musical journey, with everything from Mendelssohn to Dvorák and Tchaikovsky.

[sydneyfestival.org.au/symphony](http://sydneyfestival.org.au/symphony)

### **Opera in the Domain 23 January at 8pm**

The stars begin to twinkle as daylight fades, and the picnic blanket is spread with good fare. From the stage, the sound of the Australian Opera and Ballet Orchestra fills the night, and some of Opera Australia's best singers perform opera's greatest hits.

On a summer evening, relax and bask in the power of the human voice.

[sydneyfestival.org.au/opera](http://sydneyfestival.org.au/opera)

Where            The Domain  
                    Art Gallery Road, Royal Botanic Gardens

Price            Free

Access           An accessible viewing area for patrons with accessibility needs is located on the eastern side of The Domain between towers 6 and 7. Friends and family are welcome in the designated viewing area as well. The Domain precinct is relatively flat but does have inclining and declining sealed pathways throughout. We provide accessible amenities, a drop-off and pick-up area and limited parking close to this viewing area. Registration is essential to access the viewing and parking area. Bookings can be made from Monday 2 November 2015 on 02 8006 5700.

Patrons are reminded of the following guidelines:

- No pegging into the ground or reserving of unattended areas
- No high chairs or beach umbrellas
- No plastic sheeting or ice on the grass as this kills the lawns
- Concerts in The Domain are Waste Wise Events so please recycle using the waste system provided and help save our environment

Other info

- The Flaming Lips Summer Sounds in The Domain concert is an all ages standing event and licensed venue. No BYO food or drinks. Bags and IDs will be checked at the entry.
- The Domain has a limited capacity, arrive early to avoid disappointment.
- Food and drinks available from 5pm for Summer Sounds.
- Bring sunscreen, water and a hat
- Leave the car at home (for detailed public transport information call 131500 or visit 131500.com)
- Ride your bike! Bike racks will be available at The Domain



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