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Wafia Australia



Photo: Claire Wakeford

“Wafia is mesmerising – at once deliberate yet delicate – and absolutely one to watch”
The Music

“Wafia is absolutely one to keep an eye on”
Howl and Echoes

Wafia has already packed out the Tiny Dancer stage at Splendour In The Grass and performed at the **Sydney Opera House** – just a few years after the Brisbane singer-songwriter ditched her pre-med studies to pursue another kind of healing. The aching presence behind breakout hit *‘Heartburn’*, as well as team-ups with **Vancouver Sleep Clinic** and acclaimed producers **Ta-Ku** and **Japanese Wallpaper**, Wafia has carved a niche for herself as one of the most distinctive voices in the crowded field of rising local R&B stars.

With a lush vocal style and songwriting that draws on her Arab heritage as well as the increasingly unique sound of the Australian electronic scene, **Wafia Al-Rikabi** has been in high demand as a collaborator. For this special intimate appearance, she’ll strip away the slinky beats and electronic tweaks for a solo piano set that lets her luminous voice take centre stage.

Having released her debut EP earlier this year on Future Classic, home of Flume and Jagwar Ma, **Wafia** also toured the USA and Canada with Ta-Ku. Accompanying Wafia will be one of her top collaborators, **Ben Abraham** and together they will perform the songs they’ve worked on and created together over the years.

Where	St Stephen’s Uniting Church
When	27 January at 7pm
Duration	75mins
Tickets	General Admission \$40 + booking fee
Booking	Sydney Festival on 1300 856 876 sydneyfestival.org.au/wafia

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