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SENSATIONAL LINE-UP FOR WOMADELAIDE 2005 – FULL PROGRAM DETAILS ANNOUNCED

WOMADELAIDE 2005
March 4-6, Botanic Park, Adelaide

All tickets now on sale

Full program details for this year's **WOMADELAIDE** festival have been released. ALL tickets now on sale from Venue*Tix and participating Australia Post outlets in SA and the NT.

Over 300 celebrated artists from 22 countries unite for one truly remarkable weekend of song, dance and arts from around the globe. Experience the power and exhilaration of major bands on the main stages, or the more relaxing ambience of a solo performer. Share with family and friends the delights of this unique event: six stages of music entertainment, free on-site workshops, colourful visual arts and eccentric roving artists, hands-on fun for kids at KidZone, and more than 100 exotic stalls at the Global Village in the magnificent festival setting of Botanic Park.

The popular three day festival attracted record crowds in 2004 and looks set to break a new record in March.

Rob Brookman, Artistic Advisor to WOMADELAIDE said, "It is expected that at some time during Sunday March 6, the number of attendances in the 13 year history of WOMADELAIDE will exceed half a million."

Program Details

In addition to the amazing line-up of artists already on the program, some of which includes the legendary **Richie Havens**, popular hero of the Woodstock generation; the charismatic **Zap Mama**; reggae phenomenon **Alpha Blondy**, and Senegal's hip hop crew **Daara J**, announced today are:

Vusi Mahlasela, South Africa's critically acclaimed poet, composer, writer, musician, whose music is featured on the documentary *Amandla!*; high octane pan-latino music from **Ozomatli** (USA); Palestinian oud (lute) virtuoso and composer, **Adel Salameh Trio**; one of Israeli music's leading

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figures, composer, oud and violon player **Yair Dalal & the Asmar Ensemble**; from England, the very talented **Jim Moray** who is single-handedly turning the English folk music world on its head, and singer songwriters **Patrick Duff and Alex Lee**, (ex Strangelove and Suede).

From The Gambia, comes master of the West African kora **Jali Buba Kuyateh**, and from South Korea, dynamic percussion group **Dulsori**. The incomparable and spirited **Lo'Jo** from France make a welcome return and will join with fire installation artists **La Compagnie Carabosse** for a specially choreographed performance. Legend of the button accordion, **Tony MacMahon** (Ireland) will perform solo and guest with the **Kronos Quartet**; and from New Zealand comes the 25 member group of kapa haka dancers, the award-winning **Te Matarae i Orehu**.

Australian artists: returning to the festival after 13 years and reforming for an exclusive performance **Not Drowning, Waving** with special guest **Telek** (PNG); harmonica virtuoso and award-winning blues performer **Harper**; blues, soul and country from the very talented **Mia Dyson**; popular 32-strong a cappella choir inspired by the African-American gospel tradition, **Café of the Gate of Salvation**; footstomping original songs from Adelaide's **The Audreys**, and vocal virtuoso **Akhter Jahan** from Bangladesh now resident in Adelaide. Exquisite singer **Silvia Entcheva**, a former member of the Grammy Award winning Bulgarian choir *Le Mystere Des Voix Bulgares*; sultry Cuban grooves from **Sally Ford and the Pachuco Playboys**; and one of Australia's best percussionists, Nick Parnell teams with drummer sensation Tim Irrgang, and groove master Jo Fragnito in the **Nick Parnell Trio**.

Full program listing: www.womadelaide.com.au

Booking Details

ALL tickets now on sale from The Event Shop, via Venue*Tix; on line www.womadelaide.com.au or Australia wide 1300 30 40 72, and from participating Australia Post outlets (details on the WOMADelaide website) Weekend tickets: Adult \$168; Group \$145; Conc \$125. Day+Night and night passes available. Children under 12 years admitted FREE when accompanied by a paying adult. Carers admitted FREE. Travel packages available from Travelworld Geelong on 1800 632 788, or for general information contact the South Australian Travel Centre 1300 366 770.

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