



Anywhere Festival continues its re-emergence into the 'new normal' in August.

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Despite the cancellation of the three-week May festival due to COVID 19, over the past few months Anywhere Festival has continued to support local and independent performing artists during what has been a tough time for the live events and entertainment industry.

With online events taking place and restrictions now slowly easing to include gatherings of up to 100 people, outdoor venues and 'home delivered' events will be the order of the day with the launch of the AUGUST program of events across the Sunshine Coast and Brisbane.

This latest release of programmed events will be the last chance this year to get up close and personal with live performance at an Anywhere show.

In Brisbane, August will see the final date of **Chat & Chow Mukbang** at 7pm, 8 August in a Coorparoo home. Eat Asian food, drink Asian tea and chat about contemporary Australian attitudes to Asians living in Australia. In each session, audiences decide what food the cast will eat.

1.5 x 12 is a 10-minute contemporary dance piece created as an artistic artefact made during and in response to isolation choreographed by Nerida Matthaei. One performance on 23 August at 3.30pm at the Backbone Youth Arts Bowls Green.

For the first two weekends in August, Sunshine Coast audiences can order a **Date with a Diva** delivered to their home. Book a 'date', invite a group of your favourite people and have internationally acclaimed opera soprano, Judy Glen come to your driveway/garden for socially distanced comedic hilarity and singing. If you don't have a group readily available and don't want to miss all the fun, purchase a single ticket for \$15 to see a one-off and final performance of the show at a Buderim driveway on August 15 to conclude the season with the Diva.

"These are the unique experiences we've all been waiting for during lockdown. The moment of re-invention as we all re-emerge. These shows are very 'Anywhere' and fabulous for audiences to experience with the added bonus of supporting performing artists to come back out and do what they do best, perform to a welcoming audience". Paul Osuch, Anywhere Festival CEO said.

If you prefer Shakespeare to Opera, or even if you like both, Little Seed Theatre Company will present **Twelfth Night** in their fourth year of Shakespeare on the Lake in the outdoor Amphitheatre at the Noosa Botanic Gardens in Cooroy. Two matinee performances will be part of the Anywhere COVID programming in late August and mid-September. If you haven't seen the work of this youth theatre company yet, don't delay buying a ticket as this will sell out!

Date with a Diva – 1,2,8,9, 15 August at 4pm

Twelfth Night – 30 August and 13 September at 2pm

For more information and bookings, visit www.anywhere.is

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