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BRISBANE FAVOURITES SET TO PLAY AT THE TENERIFFE FESTIVAL

Planning for the 2011 Teneriffe Festival is in full swing with the announcement of the first five bands to play on the day.

“Live entertainment is a tremendously important feature of the Festival,” explained the event coordinator Nicole Ogilvie. “And I have supported Brisbane’s locals with the line up this year. There is going to be live music throughout the streets, on the stages and in the restaurants. The live music at the festival is just a part of the huge range of activities, forums, workshops and demonstrations planned for the festival.”

“I am really excited about the first artist announcement that includes Liam Griffin, Texas Tea, The View From Madeleines Couch, Cheap Fakes and Ben Salter - but watch this space for more exciting updates!” said Nicole.

“We have a great range of diverse acts and entertainment planned, so no matter your musical persuasion or age, you’ll definitely be entertained on the day.”

This year will see the closing of Vernon Terrace and Florence Street, instead of Commercial Road. Florence Street will hold a few surprises and the Festival’s committee is aiming to create a street party feel along the streets of Teneriffe.

This year, the main stage will be located in the heart of the festivities, near the London Woolstore, on the street.

Texas Tea is a two piece alt-country act from Brisbane, Australia. Sporting a unique sound and a curious blend of live instrumentation, the band’s popularity has grown rapidly and they have a loyal and passionate fan base in their hometown.

The Texas Tea live show is both audibly and visually striking with a combination of guitars, voice and percussion played by foot. Texas Tea is able to captivate a live audience and transport them to a sinister and somber place and then in turn instigate a barnyard-style sock hop!

Long-time festival favourites, **The View From Madeleine’s Couch** continue to bring the Brazilian party vibe to any venue they play. The band (celebrating ten years together), is based in Brisbane & have toured & travelled around much of Australia.

The unique OzBrazilian group plays Brazilian & Brazilian-inspired original music. With a line-up led by the vibraphone, the band creates a sound truly distinct from any other Latin group in the country.

Pop/Funk/Reggae act **Cheap Fakes** are a six piece band who have quickly become one of Brisbane’s most hard working live acts, regularly packing venues and events across Brisbane, Sunshine Coast, Gold Coast and Byron Bay.

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Their inimitable sound has earned them party favourite status across the sunshine state, providing their fans with music that is engaging, uplifting and most importantly great to dance to.

Predominantly steeped in off-beat guitars and catchy melodies, the band have been performing their fusion of funk, pop, reggae and dance music to captivated audiences since 2009.

Solo artist **Ben Salter** is best known as a founding member of numerous popular Australian ensembles including The Gin Club, Giants of Science and The Wilson Pickers. Salter has also been a solo performer in his own right for over ten years. He has played throughout Australia and Europe, where his striking vocal range and captivating lyricism have drawn comparisons to Neil Finn, Elliot Smith and Nick Drake.

Alternative Pop/Rock singer **Liam Griffin** is also set to play on the day. This self-producing artist will explore sonic soundscapes, wall-of-sound rock and retrospective blues. His sound is melodic, timeless and straight from the heart.

The 2011 Teneriffe Festival, to be held on Saturday 2nd July along Vernon Terrace at Tenerife, will have something for everyone, including a farmers, craft and fashion market, fashion parades, live music, family attractions, an outdoor picture show, sheep shearing, spinning and weaving, cooking demonstrations as well as historical displays and bus tours celebrating Teneriffe's rich history and culture.

For more information, check out the Festival's website at www.teneriffefestival.org

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Cheap Fakes: <http://www.myspace.com/cheapfakes>

Ben Salter: <http://www.bensalter.com.au/>

Liam Griffin: <http://www.myspace.com/liamgriffin>

The View from Madeleines Couch: <http://www.madeleinescouch.com/>