

MEDIA RELEASE

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Summer Sounds continues this weekend

The smooth sounds of blues and Latin reggae will entertain visitors at this weekend's *Summer Sounds* concert at the Australian National Botanic Gardens.

The *Summer Sounds Centenary Concert Series* kicked off last weekend and even with Canberra's high temperatures, the Gardens are gearing up to do it again this Saturday and Sunday evening.

"We're keeping a very close eye on the weather and so long as there is no total fire ban called for Canberra, the concerts will go ahead," event organiser Jennifer Salkeld said.

"If there is a total fire ban the concerts will be cancelled and we'll notify the public via Twitter and the Gardens' Facebook page. 666 ABC Canberra – who are also *Summer Sounds* sponsors – will also provide updates. People can also contact the Gardens' Visitor Centre on (02) 6250 9540 for the latest info."

This Saturday, the queen of the Blues Harp, Dorothy-Jane Gosper and her band will belt out some blues and smooth jazz. *Kulture Break* will also be there to give the audience some hip hop flavour.

On Sunday, Los Chavos and Latin Beat Fitness will bring some Latin energy to the crowd.

Too bothered to pack your own picnic? No worries – pre -ordered picnic hampers are available online. Cold bar sales supporting the Friends of the Gardens and a Dinner on the Lawn service are available. There will also be lots of delicious gourmet ice-cream to help keep you cool, and activities for the kids and family.

Entry to the concerts is by \$5 donation per car or group. A complimentary assistance bus from the Gardens' car park to the Eucalypt Lawn is provided by Peter Blackshaw Real Estate.

For further information about the concerts and a full list of musical and dance acts visit: www.anbg.gov.au/gardens/whatson/events/summer-2013/summer-sounds.html

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