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GREEK FEST DARLING HARBOUR THE PLACE TO BE THIS WEEKEND!

One of Australia's largest and longest running annual cultural festivals the Greek Festival of Sydney, hits the shores of Darling Harbour this Saturday on Sunday 16-17 March. Experience the Greek-Australian culture at a Festival that's become a staple in Sydney's event calendar. Celebrate the Greek way with food, dancing and a quality line-up of live entertainment including some of the best home-grown talent and Greece's most popular and talented superstar Michalis Hatzigiannis. With multiple platinum records and sold out tours, Hatzigiannis is one of Greece's best international exports.

My Kitchen Rules 2012 season siblings Helen and Steve will also take centre stage to dazzle the audience with their culinary expertise and demonstrate not only their cooking abilities, but why these two were last seasons' MKR most popular contestants.

"We are delivering one of the best event line-ups of recent years and are expecting this to be our largest Festival to date. There are plenty of reasons to be excited about this year's program" said Nia Karteris, Chair of the Greek Festival of Sydney.

Bring your family, bring your appetites and bring your dancing shoes for two days of music, fine food and Greek festivities. Entry is free of charge for all.

From 3pm Saturday the Festival will feature the best local contemporary youth music acts and Greek dancing groups, children's activities, musical performances, mouth watering Greek delicacies and special guests.

From 10am Sunday, the festivities continue with a full day of traditional and contemporary Greek entertainment. The highlights for the day apart from the food, coffee, family atmosphere and friendly crowds are the live music by our long line-up of local and international quality acts with a few surprises thrown in the mix.

Linked to the Darling Harbour celebration is the seven-week-long Greek Festival of Sydney, with over 25 events scheduled in this year's quality program including collaborative efforts with the Australian Museum surrounding the Alexander the Great exhibition to present the Empire Music program.

Welcome to Australia's leading multicultural festival, where everyone is invited to celebrate and explore the beauty of Greek culture through the arts, history, entertainment and food.

For more information into the program and to book tickets to selected events, please visit www.greekfestivalofsydney.com.au



The 31st Greek Festival of Sydney presents

GREEK FEST DARLING HARBOUR

Two days of non-stop entertainment featuring live music from Sydney's finest Greek-Australian and international musicians, Australia's best Greek dancing displays and workshops, complimented by some of the most sumptuous Greek food in the southern hemisphere!

Heading this year's entertainment line-up is Cypriot-born superstar Michalis Hatzigiannis.

WHAT: Greek Festival of Sydney
WHEN: Saturday 16 March, 3pm-11pm
Sunday 17 March, 10am-10pm
WHERE: Darling Harbour, Tumbalong Park, Sydney

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Psarantonis, with his three-stringed lyre and his unique style, distinctive voice and the unmatched readings of traditional folk song comes to Sydney only for one appearance.

March 15th: Marrickville (Sydney), The Factory
Tickets \$56.70 + bf from www.thefactorytheatre.com.au



Rehhagel to visit Greece as Merkel special envoy

Otto Rehhagel has been enlisted by German Chancellor Angela Merkel to act as a special envoy to Greece during a three-day visit to Athens, Germany's Bild reported.

The move is seen as an effort by the German Chancellor to boost Greek morale, strengthen Greek-German relations and attract more

Germans to visit Greece.

Rehhagel's visit is expected to take place by the end of March and will include meetings with Greek President Karolos Papoulias and Prime Minister Antonis Samaras.

The former Greece coach led the national team to win the 2004 Euro trophy.