



AUSTRALIA IN TURKEY 2015
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COMING UP – THIS MONTH



AUSTRALIA DAY – TRIPLE J HOTTEST 100 PARTY

26 January, 7pm | Babylon İstanbul

Aussie Aussie Aussie. Oi Oi Oi!!!

The first-ever Australia Day celebrations in Turkey hits İstanbul's uber-cool venue Babylon on 26th January.

And what's more Australian than tuning into Triple J Hottest 100 to count down 2014's best-loved songs, selected by Australian audience's votes.

Radyo Eksen's acclaimed DJ Gülşah Güray will be hosting the night, while you sip one-night only special cocktails Sydney Iced Tea, Surfer's Paradise and Aussie Boomerang. On the laneway outside, there'll be free sausage sizzle, for your nibbling pleasure.

Get your Aussie spirit on and don't miss that one out, mate!

Facebook event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/419977811490062/>

You can vote too!: <http://www.abc.net.au/triplej/hottest100/14/>

*Free entry



FEBRUARY – MARCH



!F İSTANBUL INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL – 52 TUESDAYS & CUT SNAKE

12 February – 1 March | İstanbul, Ankara, İzmir

Dedicated to showcasing the best in contemporary film, !f İstanbul International Independent Film Festival hosts some 80,000 film buffs and celebrated filmmakers from around the world.

Filmed over the course of a year - once a week, every week - only on Tuesdays, *52 TUESDAYS* is an emotionally charged exploration of desire, responsibility and transformation. Winner of Sundance Film Festival and Berlin International Film Festival Awards.

Set in Melbourne in the mid-1970s, *CUT SNAKE* tells the story of Sparra, a very private man in his twenties who is trying to make a life for himself in a new city.

See more at: <http://www.ifistanbul.com/en/index.asp>



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THE ADVENTURES OF ALVIN SPUTNIK – DEEP SEA EXPLORER
3-11 March | İzmir International Puppet Days

The Adventures of Alvin Sputnik: Deep Sea Explorer is an epic multi-award-winning puppet show that melds technology and multimedia into a touching story of enduring love and the end of the world. Created by Tim Watts, it's a unique blend of mime, puppetry, live and recorded music, and live animation. A last effort to save the human race requires Alvin Sputnik to journey down through the mysterious depths of the deep blue sea to find a new place for us to live.

"Alvin Sputnik is an endearing Australian solo show told in stick-figure animation and puppetry. An akin to a theatrical Wall-E" -*THE NEW YORK TIMES*

"I highly doubt any \$40 million Broadway spectacles could pack such an emotional wallop into 2.5 hours as Mr. Watts does into 45 minutes" -*BROADWAYWORLD.COM*

Check out the video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GK2QQxmE9jw>



AN EVENING WITH HUGH JACKMAN
17 – 20 March | Zorlu Center PSM İstanbul

The legendary Australian of Hollywood and Broadway HUGH JACKMAN comes to Istanbul for an unforgettable show!

Tony-awarded actor, an international movie star and quintessentially Australian... Talented Mr. Jackman will be accompanied by dancers and a 27- piece orchestra during this sensational performance. In this one-man show, it is his talent in song and dance that the Australian artist puts on full display before our very eyes.

See more at: <http://www.zorlucenterpsm.com/en/hugh-jackman>