



AUSTRALIA IN TURKEY 2015
CELEBRATING CONTEMPORARY
AUSTRALIAN CULTURE

PAST EVENTS



AUSTRALIA DAY – TRIPLE J HOTTEST 100 PARTY

26 January | Babylon İstanbul

Turkey's first-ever Australia Day celebration took place at Babylon on 26th January. We're overwhelmed by the participation and involvement and looking forward to the next one!

One last word to the Aussies living in Turkey: It's been a pleasure to meet you and please keep in touch by e-mailing festival@dfat.gov.au

We'd like to thank Radyo Eksen for their sponsorship and Ministry of Coffee İstanbul for their delicious meat pies.

Click for the photos: <http://on.fb.me/1yGrAAb>



FEBRUARY – MARCH



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

12 – 22 February | İstanbul

Dedicated to showcasing the best in contemporary film, If İstanbul Independent Film Festival is featuring two Australian movies.

Winner of Sundance Film Festival and Berlin International Film Festival Awards, 52 TUESDAYS is an emotionally charged exploration of desire, responsibility and transformation.

Set in Melbourne in the mid-1970s, CUT SNAKE is the discharge of well-kept secrets and buried desires, which makes it one of the most unexpected and uncanny films of the year.

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

For the opening gala photos: <http://on.fb.me/1v04mth>



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://bit.ly/1zFbWp5>

İzmir Puppet Days: <http://bit.ly/1v0LACu>



AN EVENING WITH HUGH JACKMAN

17 – 20 March | Zorlu Center PSM İstanbul

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

Not a single day goes by where Hugh Jackman doesn't post on his social media accounts about how excited he is to visit İstanbul again!

Tony-awarded actor, an international movie star and quintessentially Australian... Talented Mr. Jackman will be accompanied by dancers and a 32-piece orchestra for an unforgettable 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.

Get your tickets at: <http://www.zorlucenterpsm.com/en/hugh-jackman>

Read Hugh Jackman's interview about the upcoming İstanbul show and his love for Turkey: <http://bit.ly/1yJWyaC>

Hugh Jackman's unforgettable opening number at the 81st Academy Awards: <http://bit.ly/MGCJ3d>





CIRCA Presents 'OPUS'

29 April | Ankara Music Festival

CIRCA creates circus that moves the heart, mind and soul. Their award winning show 'Opus' is a work of stunning power, virtuosity and poetry.

Fourteen acrobats and a string quartet celebrate the passionate, lyrical and deeply moving music of Russian composer Dmitri Shostakovich.

This is groundbreaking work of intense power. And a melding of music and bodies at the highest level.

Performance video: <http://circa.org.au/shows/opus/video/>

