

The NGV says “Goodbye Summer”



On Sunday March 4 the National Gallery of Victoria says **Goodbye Summer** at the Gallery’s third annual free celebration of art and music.

Held in the picturesque sculpture garden at NGV International on St. Kilda Road, **Goodbye Summer** is the perfect opportunity for visitors to unroll the picnic rug and relax in the dappled shade while enjoying performances from Melbourne musical talents Geoffrey O’Connor, Teeth and Tongue, and The Orbweavers plus sets from RRR DJs.

This year’s event coincides with the final day of the NGV’s popular exhibition *The Mad Square: Modernity in German Art 1910–37* which explores the radical and provocative avant-garde art movements that emerged in Germany during one of the most important and chaotic periods of the twentieth century.

Dr Gerard Vaughan, Director, NGV, said: “This is a great opportunity for visitors to see the remarkable exhibition *The Mad Square* before it closes and then enjoy a relaxing afternoon of free entertainment.

“While the Melbourne summer doesn’t always provide perfect weather, the NGV’s end of summer event always delivers a fantastic afternoon of art and music- rain hail or shine.”

In the event of rain, performances will move into the Great Hall under the spectacular Leonard French stained glass ceiling.

To make the most of the chilled garden setting, the BBQs will be fired up with gourmet sausages and vegetarian options for sale. Kids lunchboxes will also be available as will the NGV’s gourmet *Art of the Picnic* hampers which can be pre-ordered via 03 8620 2444 or picnic@ngv.vic.gov.au.

RRR program JVG Radio Method will be broadcasting live on site, visit www.rrr.org.au for live broadcast details.

Goodbye Summer will run from 12–4:30pm in the Grollo Equiset Garden at NGV International on Sunday March 4. Alcohol cannot be brought onto the premises but will be available for sale (18+ ID required). Large bags, hampers or eskies won’t go any further than the cloakroom so guests are encouraged to leave these items at home.

Entry to the NGV for the **Goodbye Summer** event is **free**. Admission fees apply for *The Mad Square*: Adult \$18, Concession \$12, Child (5-15 yrs) \$9 and Family (2 adults & 3 children) \$45. Last ticket sales for the exhibition are at 4pm.

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