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# NGV's teen hit Art Party returns in August

NGV International | Saturday 27 August 2016 | Tickets on sale now



Following a sold out April event, the NGV's **Art Party** for teens is back by popular demand for a winter edition at **NGV International** on **Saturday 27 August 2016**. Teens will take over the gallery after-hours and enjoy a stellar lineup of artistic talent, including a performance from acclaimed Melbourne musician **Ainslie Wills** and a creative workshop from social media star **Chili Philly**.

**Art Party** guests can also enjoy access to the NGV exhibition **Degas: A New Vision**, a dynamic contemporary dance performance from youth dance company **Yellow Wheel** and a menu of snacks and ice cream in this highly anticipated teen event.

Critically acclaimed Melbourne-based songstress **Ainslie Wills** will take to the stage in the Great Hall, performing lyrical pop songs from her albums *You Go Your Way*, *I'll Go Mine* and *Oh The Gold*. Wills' reputation for creating stunning melodies and genre-straddling songwriting has led Triple J's Zan Rowe to remark, 'she just keeps releasing stunning songs.'

Instagram sensation **Chili Philly**, dressed in his crocheted giant headdresses in shapes of pizza, chicken, fruit and vegetables, catches everyone's attention. Exclusive to Art Party, Chili Philly's workshop will transform the Great Hall into a cornucopia of movement and colour when teens take to the dance floor sporting their paper versions of these wearable sculptures. Since launching in 2014, Chili Philly's images of delicious crochet creations have amassed a global following of over 144,000 Instagram followers.

Innovative youth dance company **Yellow Wheel** will perform a contemporary dance inspired by current NGV exhibitions. Back by popular demand, the **silent disco** will have party goers moving to tunes piped through individual sets of headphones. Throughout the night **DJ Geezy**, who regularly deejays at Melbourne venues Boney and Section 8, will keep the party beats coming.

Tony Ellwood, Director, NGV said, '*Art Party* is a highlight on the NGV calendar, especially with more teen participation in the NGV's programs than ever before. We're delighted this new audience has the opportunity to be immersed in art.'

**Art Party** is at **NGV International** on **Saturday 27 August, 5.30pm – 9.30pm**.  
**Tickets on sale from [ngv.vic.gov.au](http://ngv.vic.gov.au). Student \$13 | Member \$10**

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