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FÊTE DE LA MUSIQUE

THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF MUSIC COMES TO FREMANTLE

If you were to mention the *Fête de la Musique* to many West Australians, you might be met with a quizzical stare. Hard to believe then that *Fête de la Musique* is one of the biggest music events in the world, celebrated by millions of Europeans in over 340 cities every year.

Launched in 1982 by the French Ministry for culture, the *Fête de la Musique* is held in more than a hundred countries in Europe and around the world. It takes place every 21st June, the day of the summer solstice in the northern hemisphere. Artists who perform at Fete de la Musique events do so for no charge as the day is seen as a celebration of music for the whole community.

While *Fête de la Musique* events are held annually in Brisbane and Sydney, there has only been one small *Fête de la Musique* held in Perth, in 2008. This year the *Fête de la Musique* will be taking place for the first time in Fremantle, with over 40 acts playing in a wide variety of venues.

The central hub of the event will be the KULCHA world arts venue, where some of Perth's best bands and artists will be playing in a diverse showcase of original talent. Surrounding venues, such as Clancy's, Little Creatures, Mills Records, Moore's Building, Newport Hotel, San Churro, The Sail and Anchor and Mad Monk will also play host to a wide array of musical acts.

The event will be a celebration of music and those who create music, with Hip-Hop, French Cabaret, Indian Fusion, Electro Punk, Psychedelic Rock and Folk Choirs sitting side by side on what may be the most diverse bill of musical talent ever assembled in Fremantle.

What: Fête de la Musique Fremantle

When: 21 June 2009 12pm – 10pm

Where : KULCHA and a range of other bars and venues throughout Fremantle

For more information, artist interviews and images (300dpi) contact:

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