

THE TWYFORD – MEDIA RELEASE – FOR RELEASE FROM 24 FEB TO WEEK LEADING UP TO 10 MARCH 2023

Artist: THE FIGMENTZ
Venue: THE TWYFORD (Twyford Hall) Merimbula
Date: Friday 10 March 2023 @ 7.30pm
Info+Tix: <https://thetwyford.com.au>

THE FIGMENTZ – LIVE AT THE TWYFORD – UNDER THE STARS ALBUM LAUNCH



L-R The Figmentz: Candy McVeity, Don Ryan, Ken Vatcher, Franz Peters, Dave Crowden and Georgi Hargraves (Source: The Figmentz)

The Figmentz have been performing around the Far South Coast for over 13 years, inspiring and uplifting their audiences. Having to take time out after the devastating bushfires in their region and during the lockdowns, the Figmentz have responded by writing and recording an album of songs - **Under The Stars** - that speaks to caring for our environment, sustainability and love and understanding.

The band has evolved with many musical contributions by great artists since it was founded by Dave Crowden (bass/vocals), Ken Vatcher (drum/vocals) and Andy O'Donnell in 2009. Large themed shows became a signature of The Figmentz, with tributes to Joe Cocker, Soul and Woodstock having massive success. The Figmentz' performance of the Beatles tune, "With a Little Help from my friends" at the Tathra Band Together bushfire relief concert in 2018 was a sensation and garnered national attention, launching the career of another local singer/guitarist, Sam Stevenson.

The band changed directions in early 2019 with the departure of Andy O'Donnell on other adventures. Other musicians joined the lineup including local guitar hero Don Ryan, Georgi Hargraves on sax, who was brought in for the Joe Cocker show and brilliant vocalist and keyboard player Franz Peters who joined the band on the retirement of John Drews, quickly becoming a cornerstone of the Figmentz sound.

The devastating impact of the COVID pandemic on the music scene around the world, led The Figmentz to take stock, as life as we knew it changed. The band came out of lockdown with a condensed new 6 piece line up that maintained the wonderful vocal array and heavenly harmonies, the horn section excitement and a tight rhythm section. Candy McVeity - a favourite with South Coast audiences - has joined the band bringing her considerable skills as a singer songwriter and sax player to complete the new lineup.

The new tight 6-piece line up encapsulates The Figmentz' vibrant sound without compromise.

The Figmentz will be performing tunes from their original album at The Twyford in Merimbula on Friday 10 March at 7.30pm.

Live at The Twyford is a series of concerts being presented by The Twyford in Merimbula to assist regional musicians playing live original Australian music, supported by Live Music Australia – an Australian Government initiative.

For more information and to book online (earlybird tickets \$25 plus ticketing fees) visit <https://thetwyford.com.au> or call 0421 199910. Remaining tickets at the door \$30 which opens 30 minutes before the show. Refreshments and Under The Stars CDs on sale at interval. BYO wine and beer in moderation – no eskies permitted.

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High resolution images and poster in links below.

Photos & Photos: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/fnw4gsmracyi1zy/AAAYua-5EwxyCvI2-2b-xQfYa?dl=0>

Band member bios: <https://www.thefigmentz.com/about>

Website: <https://www.thefigmentz.com/>

Facebook/Instagram: @thefigmentz

Videos: <https://www.thefigmentz.com/videos>

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