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FIRST HEADLINERS ANNOUNCED FOR RAINBOW REPUBLIC PRESENTED BY OPTUS, SYDNEY WORLDPRIDE'S CLOSING CONCERT

International indie alternative pop band MUNA – the group behind the hits <u>Silk Chiffon</u> and <u>What I Want</u> – will be making their Australian debut at Sydney WorldPride's closing concert, **Rainbow Republic, presented by Optus** at The Domain on Sunday 5 March 2023.

G Flip and host Keiynan Lonsdale will be joined by Peach PRC, Alter Boy, BVT and Vetta Borne as part of a seven-hour queer megamix of live music, DJs and dancing.

Keiynan Lonsdale will also perform, with more acts to be revealed later in the year.

LA-based trio, **MUNA**, said: "We're super stoked to play world pride in Sydney and to come down to Australia for the first time! See you very soon, mates."

Fresh from their performance at the AFL Grand Final, **G Flip** said: "I am stoked to be co-hosting and performing at Sydney WorldPride! I'm from Melbourne and identify as non-binary so just the fact that WorldPride is in Australia is exciting. I'm so honoured to be a part of celebrating Pride - it's going to be epic!"

Singer-songwriter and *Love, Simon* actor, **Keiynan Lonsdale**, said: "I can guarantee some magic is on its way for us in Sydney 2023. I cannot wait to be part of it."

Singer, songwriter and influencer, **Peach PRC**, said: "I'm so unbelievably honoured to be included in next year's Sydney WorldPride event, after being so welcomed into the queer community in the last year or so and I'm so incredibly proud to be performing alongside some of my favourite people!"

Kate Wickett, Chief Executive of Sydney WorldPride, said: "Rainbow Republic is for the young and young at heart, and is the biggest live music event at Sydney WorldPride. As we program a full day of music, it was really important to us to book LGBTQIA+ musicians first. This is just a taste of the line-up and represents the



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incredible talent that abounds in the rainbow community and will be sure to have The Domain rocking this summer.

"It's exciting for us to be able to showcase incredible queer talent to the world on the last day of our 17-day festival of LGBTQIA+ fabulousness."

Minister for Tourism, **Ben Franklin**, said: "Sydney is a diverse and inclusive city where the best global talent relish performing.

"Rainbow Republic is an incredible opportunity to showcase both local and international talent on a global stage. The final evening is an amazing opportunity for the LGBTQIA+ community to come together and celebrate the first WorldPride in the southern hemisphere.

"We are delivering on our promise to make NSW the major events capital of the Asia Pacific and giving locals and visitors the opportunity to witness the world's best events right here in Sydney.

"It's a fantastic event that will enliven our city and see thousands come out to enjoy this vibrant and inclusive event, as well as attract tourism dollars to be spent across our state."

Tickets for Rainbow Republic, presented by Optus, are available now via Moshtix.

Discounted tickets are available for this event via Mobtix for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples (click here), and the Affordability program for concession holders (click here).

Svdnev WorldPride 2023 runs for 17 days, from 17 February to 5 March 2023 incorporating Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras. Tickets for official events via SydneyWorldPride.com. Tickets for community events at prideamplified.au.

The full festival program over 300 events across WorldPride Official, WorldPride Arts, WorldPride Sports and Pride Amplified will be revealed in November 2022.

Flights, accommodation and Sydney WorldPride event ticket packages for domestic and international visitors available at: https://sydneyworldpride.com/travel-providers/

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