

Oceania's June Entertainment: Festivals, Film, and Music Across the Pacific

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1. Which Australian city is hosting the Dark Mofo festival, a celebration of the winter solstice, from June 11 to June 22, 2026?

- A) Sydney
- B) Melbourne
- C) Hobart**
- D) Brisbane

2. In Tonga, the Heilala Festival is a premier celebration that typically spans the first two weeks of June. What is a notable event that occurs during this festival?

- A) The Miss Heilala finals**
- B) A whale watching expedition
- C) A traditional kava ceremony
- D) A modern art exhibition

3. Papua New Guinea will host the Waterfall Tribal Festival on June 26, 2026. What is a key feature of this festival?

- A) It showcases traditional dances and rituals from over 20 cultural groups.**
- B) It is primarily a contemporary music and DJ event.
- C) It focuses exclusively on oil palm production and its cultural impact.
- D) It is an international film festival with a focus on nature documentaries.

4. The Maori New Year, Matariki, is celebrated across New Zealand in June. What does Matariki typically involve?

- A) A nationwide series of events focused on Maori culture, spirituality, and remembrance.**
- B) A single large music festival held in Auckland.
- C) A series of traditional sporting competitions.
- D) A month-long focus on contemporary ballet performances.

5. Which Australian state will host the 'Revealed' exhibition, celebrating First Nations art and culture, from April 18 to June 14, 2026?

- A) Queensland
- B) Victoria
- C) Western Australia**
- D) South Australia

6. The 'Sing in Fiji Festival' is a week-long singing retreat. Where will this event take place in June 2026?

- A) Coral Coast
- B) Denarau Island
- C) Vuda, Viti Levu**
- D) Nadi

7. In Australia, Vivid Sydney, a large winter festival featuring light projections and music, runs until which date in June 2026?

- A) June 5
- B) June 13**
- C) June 20
- D) June 27

8. Which festival in Auckland, New Zealand, celebrates Pacific Island cultures with performances, food, and art villages, taking place on March 14-15, 2026?

- A) Polyfest
- B) Pasifika Festival**
- C) Te Matatini
- D) Auckland Arts Festival

9. The Masima Pacific Islands Film Festival is scheduled for June 23-25, 2026. This festival is curated by which organizations?

- A) Salt Lake Film Society, Utah Pacific Islands Knowledge 2 Action Resource, and Utah Pacific Islands Film Series**
- B) The Pasifika Film Fest and Film Freeway
- C) The Sundance Institute and the Tribeca Film Festival
- D) The New Zealand International Film Festival and Film Auckland

10. The 'Oil Palm Festival of Arts & Culture' in Papua New Guinea is scheduled for June 26th-27th, 2026. Which province is hosting this event?

- A) East New Britain
- B) West New Britain**
- C) Morobe Province
- D) National Capital District

11. Which city in New Zealand will host the 'Kiwi Yarns: With Brodie Kane' event on multiple dates throughout June 2026?

- A) Queenstown
- B) Christchurch
- C) Hamilton**
- D) Wellington

12. The 'Country Fest Queensland' music festival is set to take place in Townsville on June 12-13, 2026. Who are some of the announced headliners?

- A) Morgan Evans, James Johnston, and The Wolfe Brothers**
- B) Tame Impala, Flume, and G Flip
- C) Powderfinger, Jet, and Grinspoon
- D) Kylie Minogue, Guy Sebastian, and Delta Goodrem

13. In Fiji, the 'Wan Fire Music Festival' is scheduled for June 20, 2026. What is a key characteristic of this festival's daytime event?

- A) It is an all-ages event with no alcohol permitted on site.**
- B) It exclusively features traditional Fijian meke performances.
- C) It is a high-end electronic music festival for adults only.
- D) It is a culinary festival showcasing Fijian seafood.

14. The 'Laura Quinkan Indigenous Dance Festival' in Queensland, Australia, occurs every two years. In 2026, it is scheduled for which dates?

- A) June 5-7
- B) June 12-14**
- C) June 19-21
- D) June 26-28

15. The 'Heilala Festival' in Tonga celebrates around the King's birthday and features parades and traditional dances. What is a notable aspect of its typical audience?

- A) It primarily attracts Tongan families, church groups, and diaspora.**
- B) It is mainly attended by international backpackers seeking nightlife.
- C) It is a niche event for traditional Tongan craft enthusiasts.
- D) It is a major sporting event with international athletic teams.

16. Which New Zealand festival, celebrating Maori culture, language, and spirituality, takes place nationwide and typically occurs in June?

- A) Auckland Arts Festival
- B) Splore Festival
- C) Matariki (Maori New Year)**
- D) Wellington Jazz Festival

17. The 'Pride Fest 2026' in Sydney, Australia, coincides with International Pride Month. When is this festival scheduled to run?

- A) June 1-13
- B) June 11-22
- C) June 1-30**
- D) June 20-29