

# Nick Charles

Sun 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021, 7.30pm Tyers Hall, Tyers



With dazzling melodic fingerpicking on six and twelve string guitars, stinging bottleneck slide and a lifetime's stories and songs gathered or written on the world's musical highways it's no surprise that Nick Charles has long been labelled internationally as "Australia's virtuoso of acoustic roots and blues".

During his extensive and acclaimed career, Nick has released sixteen albums on major Australian and US roots music labels. His recordings have garnered world-wide recognition beginning with "My Place" and now his most recent release "Guitar Music".

This recognition has succeeded in having Nick signed to the Grammy Award winning label, Solid Air Records USA ("Home of the World's Finest Guitarists"). The only other Australian recognized by the label being Tommy Emmanuel.

He has toured with and supported artists including John Hammond, Guy Clarke, Ralph McTell, Robyn Ford, Junior Wells, Taj Mahal and BB King and toured the US thirteen times performing more than 300 shows stateside in recent years.

Consistently averaging 150 shows a year in Australia, New Zealand and the USA, his music encompasses a delightful and eclectic mix of acoustic roots including blues, folk, country and early ragtime jazz. Along the way there are stylish nods to the "Great American Songbook" and the finest contemporary players and composers from Chet Atkins to Lennon and McCartney to Leo Kottke.

#### A SMALL SAMPLE OF RECENT AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

"AGE Music Awards - Blues Album of the Year 2016"

"Port Fairy Folk Festival Artist of the Year 2014" (Australia's highest folk accolade)

"Twice winner of the Australian Song Contest"

"Song of the Year 2013 and 2014" - Australian Blues Awards

"Album of the Year" (MBAS) Multiple times

"Song of the Year" (MBAS) Multiple times

"Solo Performer of the Year" Multiple times

**Support Act:** Barry Stuckey

**Entry:** \$20 adult, \$15 member/ concession, under 18 free

**Tea/coffee** will be available (with Covid safe arrangements).

**Please BYO mug**

No food for supper sorry, but feel free to bring your own non-share food.



#### **Road Closure:**

As of 20/6/21, the Traralgon-Tyers Rd is still closed at Latrobe River bridge, so an alternative route is required. Check updates on [traffic.vicroads.vic.gov.au](http://traffic.vicroads.vic.gov.au)

In order to conduct the club's various monthly activities, GAMC is required to implement a COVID Safety Plan. Please ensure that you're familiar with the **UPDATED** attached plan.

**Pre-registering on trybooking is no longer required.**

## GAMC Diary:

- ♪ Tues 6<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm: Committee meeting at Barb's
- ♪ Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Aug 7.30pm: Clubnight "Acapella August" featuring rescheduled performance of Acoustic Kitchen supported by Latrobe Valley Community Choir

\*No scheduled camps as yet

\* Sadly, neither "Gippsapella" (GAMC's acapella singing group) nor our annual Acapella festival can run this year following current guidelines from the DHS website, which states that singing in groups is still a restricted activity.

However, you will be able to hear some great singing performances at our "Acapella August" clubnight.

## **CMVic Musicfest 2021**

**Saturday 31 July at a location near you.**



This year's new look CMVic Music Camp is a statewide celebration of local, participatory music! Building on our long tradition of face-to-face music camps, this year we will gather in rooms, the way we love to, with our music-making friends. We will also reach out our Zoom arms to embrace friends from all across the state and possibly further afield!

Stay tuned for more information on the [CMVic website](http://www.cmvic.org.au).