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'10 Years of the Cyprus Festival: Celebrating Culture, Community, and Connection'

South Australia, get ready to immerse yourself in the sights, sounds, and flavors of Cyprus as the Cyprus Festival 2025 marks its **10th anniversary** in grand style. Taking place on **1st and 2nd February** at **6-8 Barrpowell St, Welland**, this milestone celebration promises two unforgettable days of entertainment, culture, and community spirit.

This **free-entry event**, from **11am to late**, welcomes everyone to come together and celebrate this beloved SA tradition. With **free street parking**, it's the perfect outing for families and friends.

Over the past decade, the Cyprus Festival has grown into one of the most anticipated events on South Australia's cultural calendar. It's a celebration of Cypriot heritage and unity, supported this year by our **Platinum Sponsors: SA Government**, **City of Charles Sturt**, **Imatech** and **Bank of Sydney**.

This milestone event is proudly supported by our **Gold Sponsors**, **Esilio Wines**, providing their exquisite wines to enhance the festival experience, and **Inventive Foods**, whose premium meats will feature in many of the festival's signature dishes.

President of the Cyprus Community of South Australia, Professor Andreas Evdokiou, shared his excitement for this year's festival:

"This 10th anniversary is a moment of pride for our community. It's not just a celebration of our culture, but a reflection of the hard work and passion that has sustained the festival for a decade. We're honored to share our traditions with the wider South Australian community."

He also emphasized the importance of community involvement:

"Every year, the Cyprus Festival reminds us of the power of unity and the strength of our heritage. This milestone is a testament to our volunteers, sponsors, and supporters who make it all possible. Together, we're building a legacy that will continue for generations to come."

## **Event Highlights:**

International Acts: Experience the Authentic Sounds of Cyprus
 Enjoy performances by Christos Sikkis & Stephanos Pelekanis, two acclaimed musicians from Cyprus, featuring traditional Cypriot music with violin, laouto, and pithkiavli (Cypriot flute).



- Local Acts: Adelaide's Favorite Band Kosmos Takes the Stage
  Catch the electrifying Band Kosmos, led by vocalists Stassi and Joanna, as they bring traditional
  Greek tunes and modern hits to the festival stage.
- Dance Groups: Celebrate Cyprus & Greece Through Movement
   Watch talented dance groups from across Adelaide perform traditional and contemporary dances from Cyprus and Greece.
- High-Energy Entertainment

**DJ Valandi** will host the entertainment program with his infectious humor and spin tunes alongside his **Kefi Krew** sidekick **DJ Kosta** to keep the energy high with classic hits and modern beats.

- Culinary Delights: A Feast for the Senses
   Indulge in Cypriot favorites like sheftalia, halloumi, koubes, and mahalepi, paired with refreshing drinks like Cypriot coffee, Keo beer, and frappes. Guests will be able to take a journey through the menu via qr code from their seat.
- Family Fun: Activities for the Kids

  Kids will enjoy jumping castles, face painting, and more, making it the perfect family outing.
- Cultural Exhibit: A Stunning Showcase of Cypriot Heritage
   Explore an extraordinary cultural exhibit curated by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Cyprus
   Community of South Australia, featuring traditional Cypriot costumes, clay artifacts, and historic photographs.
- Special Recognition: Honoring Mike Rann
   This year, the festival will recognize former South Australian Premier Mike Rann for his significant contributions to the Cyprus Community and his advocacy for Cyprus during his political career.
- Exclusive Merchandise: Limited-Edition Festival Gear
   Don't miss out on exclusive festival merchandise, with all proceeds supporting community initiatives. Merchandise is available for pre-order on the Cyprus Community website.

The Cyprus Festival 2025 is more than just an event; it's the community's largest fundraising initiative. By attending, you'll be helping support vital programs that benefit both the Cypriot and broader South Australian communities. Don't miss this incredible opportunity to celebrate a decade of culture, connection, and joy. Join us at the **Cyprus Festival 2025** and create lasting memories with family and friends.

## **Event Details:**

Dates: Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd February 2025 Location: 6-8 Barrpowell St, Welland, South Australia

Time: 11 AM to late

Entry: Free

Parking: Free street parking available

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