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HANS TO HEADLINE 2021 HOT & STEAMY FESTIVAL

Lacquer up your lederhosen - international superstar, sex symbol, accordionist and Berlin boy-wonder, Hans, has been confirmed to headline the 2021 Hot & Steamy Festival in Port Douglas this summer, bringing his trademark accordion and sequinned tush to the tropics.

Boozier than Oktoberfest, more drive than a Volkswagen and with more sausage than a bratwurst convention, Hans – who proclaims himself as Germany proudest export – is set to headline the Hot & Steamy Festival in tropical Port Douglas over the weekend of February 19 -22, 2021.

Hans has been thrilling audiences around the globe with his own fabulous brand of award winning, sell out cabaret for over a decade. In 2018 Hans won the hearts of 16 million Americans with electrifying performances on the juggernaut U.S. talent series *America's Got Talent*, quickly becoming the show's darling with judges Mel B, Simon Cowell, Heidi Klum, Howie Mandel and host Tyra Banks.

A total showman who works the crowd like the well-seasoned comedian, singer, dancer, musician and entertainer he is, Hans will slip on hot pants, fishnets, Doc Marten boots, sequins and glitter to perform his signature brand of high-stepping cabaret and comedy for Tropical North Queensland audiences at the Friday night White Party and the SOAKED Pool Party on Sunday.

Hans is the only artist to win the Best Cabaret Award two years in a row at the Adelaide Fringe Festival for his sell-out seasons of *Hans: Like a German (2019)* and *Haus of Hans: Disco Spektakulär (2020)*; he performed a thrilling Eurovision tribute medley at *Eurovision: Australia Decides Live (SBS)*; The Federal Parliamentary Press Gallery invited him to open the 2019 Mid-Winter Ball at Parliament House, Canberra; he was invited to be guest judge on *Australia's Got Talent (Seven)*; he toured Australia with his first ever 11- city national tour; and he performed at *Woolworth's 2019 Carols in the Domain* (Seven).

Hans remarked, "Honey when they said, 'We want to send you to Port Douglas', I was thrilled. But then when they said, 'it's a festival called Hot And Steamy', well how was I ever meant to resist that! Can't wait to get up there and have the festival live up to its name!"

Hot & Steamy Festival 2021 is the only recognised LGBTQI+ festival in Australia outside of the Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras to be held this summer. With events set in iconic spots all around the picturesque town of Port Douglas including Salsa Bar & Grill (Friday TITT Lunch), The Sugar Wharf (Friday night White Party), the historic Central Hotel (Saturday Late Night After Dark) and Niramaya Villas & Spa (SOAKED Pool Party), the weekend's events are set to raise the bar high for 2021 festivities. More events and locations are yet to be released.

Tickets will be on sale in December! For up to date information and ticket purchase, head to **www.pdhotsteamy.com.au** or to Facebook @pdhotsteamy

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