

FIDDLERS FEAST

Press release

High energy and diverse musical styles are at the core of this acclaimed Aussie Fiddle Band. Winners of the Golden Fiddle Awards best CD, FF have gone from strength to strength since their impromptu jam in 1996, with tours to Europe and Asia and collaborations with many of this country's musical greats. Playing fiddles, mandolin, guitar, accordion, keyboards and percussion, FF blends the trad with modern, the fiery with the dreamy in a uniquely Australian fiddle sound.

"a powerhouse of Australian Celtic music that flies down bush tracks, over blue mountains". The **Fiddlers** have performed at festivals nationally and in Europe (including Festival InterCeltique, Lorient, 2006), Hong Kong, Malaysia and Japan and have appeared on stage with artists like John Williamson and Warren Fahey, David Helfcott, the Queensland Orchestra, Canadian fiddler Dominique Dupuis, Irish accordionist Sharon Shannon, Andy Irvine and Donal Lunny's Mozaik, US banjo whiz Allison Brown and heaps of others. Apart their group efforts members have performed and recorded with countless Oz music luminaries, including, Diesel, Jimmy and Mahalia Barnes, the Bushwackers, Tim Finn, Graeme Connors, John Williamson, the late Jimmy little, John Waters and every major symphony orchestra in the country. FF continues to reinvigorate the Oz fiddle tradition with new award winning tunes and compositions ranging from simple melodies to full orchestral pieces (Marcus Holden's Wild Thyme was premiered at the Lincoln Centre NY, Easter 2009). FF performed at World Expo in Shanghai in September 2010 and was described as the "perfect festival band" at the 2011 Blue Mountains Folk Festival. Most recently they performed at "Australia Day in Spring" in Karachi, Islamabad and Lahore and the invitation of the Oz high Commission.

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Their Golden Fiddle Award-winning album, **FRENZEE**, is a rip-roaring collection of all sorts of fiddling from Country to tongue-in-cheek classical, from twisted jazz tracks to rock and reel with a plethora of weird and wonderful music and guests from all parts of the harmonic spectrum.

"**Fiddlers Feast** keeps raising the bar - **FRENZEE** is another great release."

(Raymond Phillips, Country Harvest)

"**FRENZEE** is brilliant!! It will be receiving a lot of airplay because it fits into so many categories - jazz, classical, easy listening, even folk. A track that stood out for me was 'Eine Kleine Nutmusik' - the treatment is superbly tongue in cheek and a sound for sore ears.

(Bob Cady, Highland FM).

"I defy anyone to not like this CD. This beats the socks off the Sydney band's previous releases on all levels."

John Shand, Sydney Morning Herald

"Great album, quite an eclectic mixture-looking forward to giving it some welly!"

(Julie Cavanagh, The Folk Show)



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