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QMF Proud to Partner with QYAC to Support 2025 Quandamooka Festival

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Queensland Music Festival (QMF) is proud to announce its partnership with the Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation (QYAC) to help deliver the **2025 Quandamooka Festival**, a powerful celebration of culture, connection, and Country set on the stunning island of Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island).

Running across multiple days, the festival is a vibrant multi-artform gathering that invites people of all ages to experience the continuing culture of the Ngugi, Nunukul, and Goenpul peoples of Quandamooka first-hand.

Free to attend, the 2025 Festival will feature an exciting program of Kunjiel, corroboree/traditional dance, live music, visual arts, weaving, bush foods, markets, storytelling, workshops, panel discussions, and more, all set against the spectacular backdrop of Quandamooka Country. It also coincides with the opening of QUAMPI, the Quandamooka Arts and Cultural Centre that incorporates a regional standard gallery, gift shop, café and function and events space.

Quandamooka is the ancestral homeland of the Ngugi, Nunukul, and Goenpul peoples, who have owned and cared for the lands and waters of Moreton Bay for over 20,000 years. The Festival is an opportunity to deepen understanding, foster connection, and celebrate the living, thriving culture of one of Queensland's most enduring First Nations communities.

QYAC proudly leads the Festival, with QMF providing programming and production support on the mainstage as part of a broader collaboration to help bring this significant regional event to life.

"We're honoured to be partnering with QYAC to support the 2025 Quandamooka Festival, and equally proud that this marks the beginning of a three-year commitment to help deliver even more events in the years ahead," said QMF CEO Daryl Raven.

"It's a privilege to play a supporting role in this powerful celebration of culture and Country, led by the Quandamooka People. This partnership reflects QMF's ongoing commitment to uplifting First Nations voices and working alongside communities across regional and remote Queensland to platform their stories, creativity, and leadership."

"Congratulations to QYAC and QMF on forging this significant partnership, which highlights the importance of collaboration between Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island communities and our arts organisations," said Minister for Education and the Arts John-Paul Langbroek.





"The Crisafulli Government is proud to support this partnership and the opening of QUAMPI, which represent an exciting new chapter in the celebration and promotion of this state's rich Indigenous culture."

The partnership with QYAC continues QMF's ongoing work alongside First Nations communities throughout the state, delivering place-based programs that honour culture and foster meaningful connections through music, storytelling, and celebration.

"The Quandamooka Festival is one of the highlights for our community, as we come together to celebrate and share our culture through performing and visual arts. This year's event is extra special with the opening of QUAMPI, a testament to the vision and resilience of the Quandamooka community," said QYAC Chair Cameron Costello.

"We're pleased to be partnering with QMF in 2025, and also to see the Quandamooka Festival become a part of the Qld Music Trails in future years."

The Quandamooka Festival is also supported by the Queensland Government, via Tourism and Events Queensland.

The full 2025 Quandamooka Festival program and event dates will be announced soon. For more information and updates, visit: <u>https://quandamookafestival.com.au/</u>

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