

THE SQUEEZEBOX TRIO



Sydney's purveyors of Hot Gypsy Swing, 'The Squeezebox Trio' take the driving rhythms of 1930's guitarist Django Reinhardt's two fingers and combine it with the intensity of Eastern European Balkan music to give one hell of an energetic performance. Violinist Michael O'Donnell swings hard while incorporating the nuances and technique of his bluegrass and classical background. Guitarist Javen Sanchez brings the groove of Spanish flamenco to the gypsy jazz tradition and accordionist Thomas Hodson draws from the melodies of the Romanian Lautareasca and Greek Rebetiko, having studied whilst touring internationally. The bands self-deprecating humour will manifest in a cacophony of Russian drinking songs, French Waltz' and the occasional Disney film classic, all tied together with three-part harmonies.

After making their debut festival performance at Canberra National Folk Festival 2014, the boys got a taste for the festival circuit, performing concerts all over metropolitan and region NSW and Victoria. The last two years have seen them touring on the strength of their "Frogstamp" EP, both performing and demonstrating workshops at Bendigo Blues & Roots (VIC), Gulgong Folk Festival (NSW), Dorrigo Folk and Bluegrass Festival (NSW), Perisher Peak Festival (NSW), Illawarra Folk Festival (NSW), JazzBANG, Planet Dungog and many more.

Finally, Squeezebox are thrilled to embark on an extensive 25 date New Zealand tour; following their successful launch at esteemed Sydney Jazz Venue '505' for their debut album "And a Hotplate". The release featured a myriad of special guests to help Squeezebox present the best of their most recent touring material, including Hodson's bizarrely original compositions juxtaposed by a selection of great jazz and swing tunes spanning from the 1920's right up till the present day. Audiences in New Zealand and Australia will get to experience all of this live by catching 'The Squeezebox Trio' during the 2016 summer season.

Reviews and awards;

"Gypsy Jazz at its best" – The Emerald Ruby"

"The Handsome Gypsy Jazz Trio adds a sophistication and polish to the stage" - Theatre, Suzi Wrong

- Winner of the Festival Music Award for Sydney Fringe 2015

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