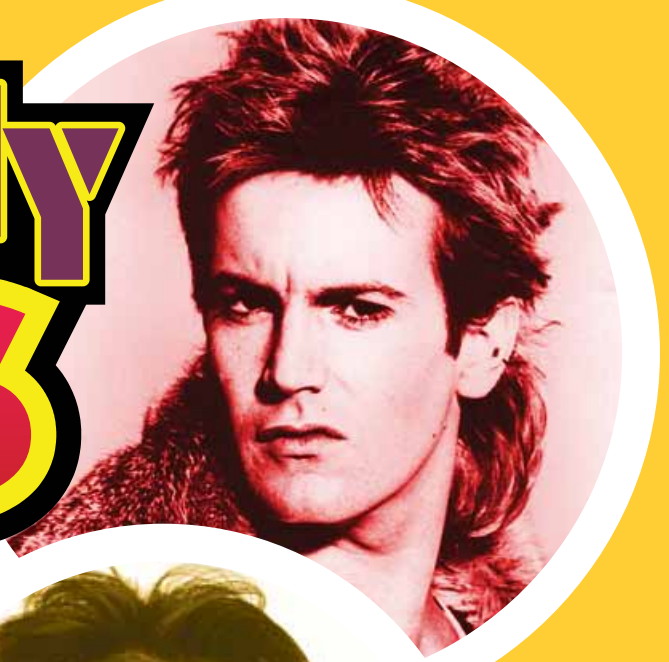


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The ultimate 80s party band featuring some of the biggest & best Australian acts on stage together, performing all their hits - the 80s reunion show not to be missed!

*"One the most successful & exciting shows on the live touring circuit!"*

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**SEAN KELLY**  
Models

**BRIAN MANNIX**  
Uncanny Xmen

**SCOTT CARNE**  
Kids in the Kitchen

**SWANEE**

**CHANTOOZIES**

Eve Von Bibra

Ally Fowler

Tottie Goldsmith

**PAUL NORTON**

**FRED LONERAGAN**

Machinations

**DAVID STERRY**

Real Life

**ERIK WEIDEMAN**

1927

**PAUL GRAY**

Wa Wa Nee

**DALE RYDER**

Boom Crash Opera

**GRACE KNIGHT**

Eurogliders

**THE ABSOLUTELY  
80s BAND**

*"Absolutely 80s made our event a huge success, you couldn't ask for more than that!"*

*Maggie V  
Myer Events Manager*



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**Sean Kelly** of the **Models** is a pioneer of post-punk and new wave in 1980s Australia. Models reaped several top ten hits including *I Hear Motion*, *Big On Love*, *Out Of Mind*, *Out Of Sight*, *Barbados* and many more. The Models, with their unique song writing ability and singing style, recorded eight chart topping albums and over 30 singles, including a Top 10 in the USA with *Out Of Mind*, *Out Of Sight*. Models sold over 1 million records worldwide and were inducted into the ARIA Hall of Fame in 2010. Sean's performance (along with Brian Mannix) at the AFL Grand Final in 2006 brought the house down and was broadcast to all of Australia. Sean is also a frequent guest on SBS's *Rockwiz* and ABC's *Spicks & Specks ...* a great entertainer and charismatic showmen!

Featuring the extroverted front man **Brian Mannix**, the **Uncanny X-Men** were one of Australia's most popular and outrageous bands of the 80s. Total sales of over a half a million, with hits including the Number 1 smash hit *50 Years* and Top 10 hits *The Party*, *Everybody Wants To Work* and *How Do You Get Your Kicks*, as well as a double Platinum selling album *Cos Life Hurts*. With a massive following, filling the Horden Pavilion (Sydney) and Festival Hall (Melbourne), Uncanny X-Men were one of biggest bands in the 80s. Brian is now enjoying writing and directing projects like *Countdown - A Musical Comedy*, his acting roles in ABC productions and his various TV appearances. Brian is a natural, not to mention a cheeky, funny man when he hits the stage!!

**Scott Carne** is the lead singer of **Kids in the Kitchen**, the 80s "new wave" band that formed in 1984, quickly racing to the top of the charts with their Platinum selling debut album *Shine*. The album yielded ten Top 10 singles including *Change in Mood*, *Bitter Desire*, *Current Stand* and *Something That U Said*. Kids in the Kitchen quickly become a house hold name and signed an international deal with Madonna's management and a USA record contract with Warner Brothers/Sire Records. The second LP *Terrain* was released in 1986 and contained two Top 20 hits *Say It* and *Revolution Love*, which saw the Kids touring the world and breaking venue capacity records in Australia! Scott is now an entertainment agent by day and a performer by night, lighting up the stage with his amazing voice and energetic performances!

**Swanee** has been "legend" on the Australian music scene since he was 14 years old, first playing as a drummer and then going on to have a major chart success with *If I Were A Carpenter* and *Lady What's Your Name*. Swanee established himself as one of the best rock n roll voices in Australia, and went to on to be the front man of the **Party Boys** whose self-titled album went to No 1 in three weeks thanks to the success of the singles, *He's Gonna Step On You Again*, *Hold Your Head Up* and *Gloria*. Today Swanee continues to wow audiences with his wide and diverse vocal styles.

**Eve Von Bibra**, **Ally Fowler** and **Tottie Goldsmith** sang for the **Chantoozies**, one of Australia's hottest acts. An eight piece band (four boys/four girls) comprising of soap-star actors, they released several chart topping singles and two albums. They had Top 10 hits nationally with *Witch Queen*, *Wanna Be Up* and *He's Gonna Step On You Again*. They toured Australia many times, appearing on every imaginable entertainment program - the Chantoozies sold over 300,000 records. Ally, Eve & Tottie have all been busy acting in well know productions including *Kenny*, *Neighbours* and *Stingers* just name a few! When the girls hit the stage they put a smile on everyone face ...

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**Paul Norton** released his debut single *Stuck On You* in 1986 - it reached Top 10 nationally and received massive airplay all around Australia. Follow-up single *Under A Southern Sky* also received Top 20 status. A talented solo performer and former band member of **The Runners**, Paul puts on a rocking performance!

**Fred Loneragan** fronted Sydney's **Machinations**, one of Australia's hottest dance bands. Their debut single "Pressure Sway" reached No 2 on the national ARIA charts. Their first album *Esteem* went Gold and they released 7 top charting singles and 4 albums. Songs included the Top 10 national hits *No Say In It* and *Do To You*. *Machinations* toured Australia many times, appearing on every imaginable entertainment program and sold over 200,000 records in Australia. They also had a USA Number 1 dance hit with *Pressure Sway*, a song which was also used on the USA soundtrack for the classic comedy *Ruthless People*. In all over six Top 20 hits nationally!

**David Sterry**, lead singer from Melbourne-based new wave band **Real Life**, had hits with their debut single *Send Me an Angel* (1983) and with *Catch Me, I'm Falling* (1984), both of which were featured on the band's debut album *Heartland*. The song *Send Me An Angel* was a massive international hit - No 1 in Germany & Top 5 in the USA. *Real Life* also had hits with *Face To Face*, *Let's Fall in Love*, *God Tonight* and *Kiss The Ground*. Dave still travels the world performing his hits with other 80s reunion shows and with acts such as **Flock of Seagulls** and **Duran Duran**.

**Erik Weideman** was the lead singer of **1927**, an Australian rock band popular in the late 1980s and early 1990s. Their major hit songs were *If I Could*, *Compulsory Hero* and *That's When I Think of You*. 1927's album "... *Ish*" was one of the most successful Australian debut albums of the 1980s. "... *Ish*" attained five times Platinum status by racking up sales of more than 400,000 copies ... other hits also included *You'll Never Know* and *To Love Me*. Recently, Erik has been playing sold out shows with his 1927 album anniversary tour "*Ish*".

**Paul Gray** of **Wa Wa Nee** signed with CBS Records in 1985. *Wa Wa Nee* had four singles in the Australian Top 40 from their debut album release of the same name. They included *Stimulation*, which reached No 2 nationally in Australia in 1986, *I Could Make You Love Me*, reaching the Top 5 in the same year and both *One And One (Ain't I Good Enough)* and *Sugar Free* making the Top 20. *Sugar Free* also reached the U.S. Billboard Hot 100 Top 40 and the band's self-titled debut album went Platinum in Australia. Paul is an accomplished musician and MD to the likes of the *Countdown Spectacular 2*, **Marcia Hines** and **Human Nature**.

**Dale Ryder**, lead singer of **Boom Crash Opera**, reached No 5 on the ARIA chart with the debut single *Great Wall*. BCO's self-titled debut album went Gold and their second album spent more than 12 months in the Top 40, achieving double Platinum sales and featuring the Top 10 single *Onion Skin* and Top 20 singles *Get Out Of The House*, *Best Thing* and *Dancing In The Storm*. Dale is a full time performer who gets every crowd in the palm of his hand!

In 1984, **Grace Knight** and **Eurogliders** released an Australian top ten album, *This Island*, which spawned their #2 hit single *Heaven (Must Be There)* in Australia. *Heaven* also peaked at #21 in the United States, Billboard mainstream rock charts. Another Australian top ten album, *Absolutely*, followed for Eurogliders in 1985 and provided three further local top ten singles, *We Will Together*, *The City of Soul* and *Can't Wait to See You*.

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# THE SONGS

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## Sean Kelly Models

I Hear Motion • Big On Love • Evolution • Happy Birthday IBM  
Barbados • Two Cabs To The Toucan • Out Of Mind, Out Of Sight

## Brian Mannix Uncanny X-Men

The Party • 50 Years • How Do You Get Your Kicks  
Still Waiting • Best Looking Boy • Everybody Wants to Work

## Scott Carne Kids in the Kitchen

Bitter Desire • Current Stand • Shine • Revolution Love  
Something That You Said • Say It • Change In Mood

## Swanee

If I Were A Carpenter • Hold Your Head Up • Fooled Around  
He's Gonna Step On You Again • Lady What's Your Name

## Chantoozies Eve, Ally & Tottie

Witch Queen • Wanna Be Up • Kiss And Tell • He's Gonna Step On You Again

## Fred Loneragan Machinations

Pressure Sway • No Say In It • Intimacy • Do To You • Cars & Planes

## Paul Norton

Stuck On You • Under A Southern Sky • I Got You

## David Sterry Real Life

Send Me An Angel • Catch Me I'm Falling • Face To Face • Always • God Tonight

## Erik Weideman 1927

That's When I Think Of You • If I Could • Compulsory Hero • You'll Never Know • To Love Me

## Paul Gray Wa Wa Nee

Stimulation • I Could Make You Love Me • Sugar Free • One And One • So Good

## Dale Ryder Boom Crash Opera

Great Wall • Onion Skin • Dancing In The Storm • Get Out Of The House • Hands Up In The Air

## Grace Knight Eurogliders

Heaven (Must Be There) • I Can't Wait To See You • We Will Together  
Without You • Another Day In The Big World • City Of Soul • Maybe Only I Dream

## Encores & Extras

Don't Change (INXS) • Rain (Dragon) • Good Times (Jimmy Barnes & INXS )  
Modern Girl (James Freud) • What I Like About You (The Romantics) • Rock the Casbah (The Clash)  
New Sensation (INXS) • Dancing In The Streets (Bowie & Jagger) • Rebel Yell (Billy Idol)  
Another One Bites The Dust (Queen) • Under Pressure (Bowie & Queen)  
Jesse's Girl (Rick Springfield) • She's A Manic (Flashdance) • Cars (Gary Newman)  
Play that Funky Music (Lipps Inc) • Girls On Film (Duran Duran) • Jump (Van Halen)

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