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Music galore on Australia Day

The sounds of jazz and island rhythms will ring out across Melbourne on Australia Day as part of the city's celebrations.

Renowned outdoor concert venue, the Sidney Myer Music Bowl, will host two free concerts.

The 30-piece Melbourne Ska Orchestra, lead by Nicky Bomba, will headline the *Tidal Rhythms at the Bowl* concert.

"This special one-off concert will feature music from the Islands of the world while celebrating the beautiful cultural diversity of Melbourne," Bomba said.

"Special guests, dancers, choirs and the excitement of a 30 piece ska orchestra is not to be missed."

Grace Barbé and community steel pan band Pans on Fire will also perform at Tidal Rhythms at the Bowl.

The Coopers Australian Music Prize will announce its *Shortlisted!* artists – the nine Australian artists who released the best albums in 2013.

Last year's prize winners, DJ duo Hermitude, will headline the *Shortlisted!* concert at the Bowl, with performances from Dialectrix and Jen Cloher.

Legendary jazz trumpeter James Morrison will be joined on stage by his sons William and Harry Morrison for his Australia Day performance in Kings Domain Garden from midday.

The Queen Victoria Gardens and St Kilda Road precinct will also come alive with the RACV Sounds of Australia Day event.

The Australian Girls Choir, The Melbournaires and The Melbourne Chorus are among a string of musicians who will perform between 9am and 5pm.

For more events see summary attached or go to:

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