

Rockwiz Latest Major Production to Play Darwin Convention Centre

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In just seven years, the Australian television quiz show RocKwiz, built around rock music, has become a regular prime time Saturday series on SBS and has been named by Andrew Denton as "Australia's most beloved music show".

Last week, the Darwin Convention Centre had the pleasure of being the first venue to present the group's "Some Kind of Genius" three month tour around Australia. Co-hosted by Julia Zemiro and Brian Nankervis the group's tour performances are an extension of the television show but bigger, bolder and braver! Freed from the constraints of their TV Studio at "The Espy" (The Esplanade Hotel - St Kilda) audiences were promised - and were delivered! - more guests, more songs and more questions and were warned that the cast would cut loose and revel in the space and freedom of the Centre's Exhibition Hall 1.

Which was exactly what happened, providing an unforgettable experience for close to 2300 patrons over the two shows - the second added by the promoters due to demand.

Darwin loved it - as evident from just some of the comments from the audience on the very active RocKwiz Facebook page: "Darwin show was GREAT thanks you mob hope you come back soon"..."Must say that tonight at the Darwin Convention Centre was sensational"..."Absolutely loved it and would seriously recommend that everyone gets there tomorrow night and for the rest of the tour around Australia."

The RocKwiz group stars who are "the show"-Julia, Brian and the RocKwiz Orkestra - were joined by a group of guest performers, well known in their own right, who rubbed shoulders with delighted audience members:

- Dave Faulkner Lead singer of the HooDoo gurus
- Kavyen Temperley Lead singer of Eskimo Joe
- Jess Cornelius Lead singer of Teeth & Tongue
- Shelly Morris
- Vika and Linda Bull

Darwin Convention Centre General Manager Malu Barrios said she was delighted but not surprised to see the facilities and convenience provided by the Centre playing an increasing role as a major entertainment facility for the City.

"With Darwin increasingly recognised around Australia as an affluent and expanding community, we are seeing more and more promoters bringing their shows to the city.

"RocKwiz is the latest in the growing number of high profile productions and performers choosing Darwin's largest indoor, all-seated venue for their acts," said Mrs Barrios.

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