

It's not just tattoos at the Cape Tattoo Expo

The Cape Tattoo Expo, which is to be held at Cape Town City Hall from 25 to 27 January, 2013, will feature top international tattoo artists as well as an arts and concert event schedule. There will be more than 80 renowned tattoo artists representing 15 different countries present.

Attendees can look forward to the artistry of big-name international convention "regulars" such as Bob Tyrrell (US), Tom Tattoo (Italy), Laura Juan (Spain), Randy Englehard (Germany), Robert Hernandez (Spain/Poland), Mark Bester (UK), Davee Blows (Hong Kong), Hans Pasztjerik (Holland), Dermadonna (Holland), Patrick McFarlane (Portugal), Gordon Claus (Germany); as well as the very best that South Africa has to offer.

Doors open at 4pm on Friday and at 11am on Saturday and Sunday. To book a tattoo session, go to www.capetattooconvention.co.za. Artists and contact the particular artist directly. "Walk in" tattoos will also be welcome, if time and booking schedules allow.





Music

The live music addition to the CapeTattoo Expo includes performances by some of SA's most talented DJs and bands. Your ticket to the expo includes entrance to the shows, which are also held at the Cape Town City Hall. For the exact playing order, go to the website.

The line-up for the weekend is as follows:

- Friday: Carine, DJ Sideshow, Catherine Grenfell, P.H. FAT, Pure Solid.
- Saturday: The Pitts, Van Coke Kartel, Shadowclub, Them Tornadoes.
- Sunday: Conduit, Dolphins, Beach Party, Long Time Citizen, Ratrod Kings, Wolftown and Damn Crows

Art

The annual Tattoo Expo art exhibition will open on Tuesday, 22 January at the Cape Town City Hall. Themed "Homeward Bound", this year's exhibition will be celebrating the nautical roots of tattoo art. This multi-media exhibition comprises a series of works by celebrated South African tattoo and graphic artists. In addition, the 5th annual Cape Tattoo Expo will present "Message in a Bottle". This adjunct exhibition features custom designed wine labels from top local and international tattoo artists. The exhibition will also showcase the Levi's Trucker jacket.

The evening will also include a special screening (invitation only) of a new documentary film Tattoo Nation.

Everyone is welcome to attend the opening of the art exhibition opening from 7pm to 9pm on Tuesday, 22 January. The screening of Tattoo Nation at 9pm is by invitation only.

Entertainment

Gaming is being introduced to the convention this year to offer attendees an interactive breakaway activity to enjoy between viewing the many talented local and international artists on show and other entertainment.

There will be a variety of titles set up to cater for all tastes and ages, which have been supplied by EA SA (FIFA 13), Megarom (Just Dance 4 and Skylanders) and Xbox SA (Halo 4 and Forza Horizon). There will also be Rocksmith available for want-to-be rockstars to try out, with a really special prize for one lucky person. For those afraid of the real guitar, there will be crowd favourite (and its plastic guitar), Guitar Hero to allow you to throw your rock star poses. Some of the titles, along with additional prizes, will be up for grabs over the course of the weekend, and on top of that, Kalahari.com has also put up some vouchers for a few winners.

Other entertainment includes a tattoo-themed putt putt course, burlesque dance acts, and more.

Tickets are available via Tixsa on www.capetattooconvention.co.za. The ticket price includes entry to the venue for the expo, as well as entry to the bands and DJs in the evenings. The ticket price does not include the price of tattoo. These can be booked and paid to the artist directly.

Stand the chance to win 1 full weekend pass

Go to www.capetattooconvention.co.za for updates about attending artists, concerts, competitions, and info.

Join the Southern Ink Xposure and Cape Town International Tattoo Convention Facebook and Twitter groups for all the latest news about related events and artist info.

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