



Tommy Emmanuel announces **Tommy FEST** will tour Australia this October.

TommyFEST is a global concept in which Tommy gathers together THE greatest musicians from around the world to perform their own genius to his ever-growing legion of fans in Europe, America and now Australia. "These guys are all incredible. I am thrilled to be able to introduce to Australia the Best of the Best" Tommy said.

TommyFEST will see Tommy joined on stage by -

Martin Taylor is a rarity in the world of Jazz. Completely self-taught has won 10 out of 19 'The British Jazz Awards': Best Guitarist since 1987.' MBE awarded by HM The Queen 2002 Services to Jazz Music, described as THE acoustic guitarist of his generation. *For more information visit* www.martintaylor.com

Joscho Stephan Trio - a 21-year-old German gypsy jazz blazing virtuoso in the spirit of Django Reinhardt. *For more information visit* <u>www.entertainmentedge.com.au</u>

Jake Shimabukuro - a young Hawaiian renowned for his enthusiasm and musicianship on electrified ukulele recording and performing with Grammy winning group Bella Fleck and the Flecktones. *For more information visit* <u>www.jakeshimabukuro.com</u>

Tommy Emmanuel is the world's greatest finger picker and has performed to millions of people across the globe, toured and or recorded with some of the world's greatest musicians including Chet Atkins, Eric Clapton, Stevie Wonder, Joe Walsh, the Beatle's producer Sir George Martin, and Tina Turner. Just prior to his death, Chet Atkins awarded Tommy the rare title of CGP (Certified Guitar Player), only two other guitarists share that honor.

Voted Rolling Stone (Australia) Magazine's 'Most Popular Guitarist", nominated for a Grammy for an album with his guitar hero Chet Atkins, and recorded 15 CD's, his latest being *"The Mystery"* just released on ABC through Warner Music Australia.

Also just released on ABC through Warner Music Australia is Tommy's DVD *"Live in Ballarat"* given a 5 star rating in *The Australian* and critically lauded in *The Washington Post. For more information visit* <u>www.tommyemmanuel.com</u>

TOUR DATES

Tuesday 10 th	Burswood Theatre
Wednesday 11th	Her Majesty's Theatre
Thursday 12th	The Auditorium 'Vikings Erindale'
Friday 13th	Dallas Brooks Hall
Monday 16th	City Recital Hall

Tickets on sale August 31st, 2006

Perth Adelaide Canberra Melbourne Sydney

Ticketing - Ticketek Ticketing - Bass Ticketing in-house Ticketing Ticketek Ticketing in-house/on line

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