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THE STAR AND JOEL CREASEY ANNOUNCE 2023 CAMP COMEDY SHOW WITH CASTING CALL FOR RISING COMEDY STARS

Bars at The Star Sydney and The Star Gold Coast will be hosting one-night-only live casting calls this August to give upcoming LGBTQIA+ comedians their time in the spotlight

The Star is teaming up with comedy superstar, Joel Creasey to give local rising LGBTQIA+ stand-up stars their time in the spotlight, by launching a casting call for a Camp Comedy show taking place in early 2023.

On **Wednesday 3 August** and **Thursday 4 August**, bars at The Star Sydney and The Star Gold Coast will be transformed for a one-night-only open-mic experience, inviting amateur comedians from across the country to vie for a place on Joel Creasey's Camp Comedy line up.

Inspiration for the casting call comes from Creasey's own experience having found that while diversity and inclusion are slowly becoming the societal norm, tackling for your first gig as a queer person can be daunting.

"To give the scene a fabulous shot of adrenaline, in collaboration with one of our nation's leaders in entertainment - The Star, I wanted to develop a show that gives a chance (and a microphone) to the comedy voices you may not have heard from before; supporting Australia's next generation of comedy talent," said Creasey of the casting call.

"Launching in 2023, my Camp Comedy show at The Star will be centred around showcasing the vast diversity of incredibly hilarious talent our nation has to offer. And me."

To compete for a spot on the tour next year, wannabe stand-ups from across New South Wales and Queensland will be able to take the stage alongside Joel for a five-minute set from 8:30pm at Atrium Bar at The Star Gold Coast on Wednesday 3 August and Rock Lily at The Star Sydney on Thursday 4 August.

The prize? An opportunity to work alongside and learn from some of the country's best comedians (who shall also feature on the lineup. And, of course, bragging rights amongst the crowd at the bar.

Locals looking for laughs are also invited to join in on the fun, cheering on the rising stars, and indulging in mid-week entertainment alongside the venue's range of indulgent bar snacks and extensive list of local beers, wines and spirits.

"I hated school camp. So Camp Comedy sounds far more up my alley. Especially because I can do it with a drink in hand. It's for everyone however, so no matter how you identity, we'd love to have you onboard".

The announcement of newest rainbow comedy night also marks a new season of diverse weekly acts at Rock Lily and the beginning of Atrium Bar's own weekly comedy night on Wednesday from 7:00pm.

Bookings are now available for Joel Creasey's Camp Comedy casting call at Atrium Bar at The Star Gold Coast on Wednesday 3 August. For more information, visit: <https://www.star.com.au/goldcoast/bars/atrium-bar>

To secure a free ticket to Joel Creasey's Camp Comedy casting call at Rock Lily at The Star Sydney on Thursday 4 August, visit: <https://www.star.com.au/sydney/eat-and-drink/bars-and-club/rock-lily>

**CASTING CALL FOR AUSTRALIA'S MOST INCLUSIVE COMEDY SHOW AT THE STAR
WITH JOEL CREASEY**

**7PM, WEDNESDAY 3 AUGUST - ATRIUM BAR AT THE STAR GOLD COAST
7PM, THURSDAY 4 AUGUST - ROCK LILY AT THE STAR SYDNEY**

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