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## Marina Bay Sands to launch inaugural Music Festival *Where Music Takes Over*, featuring David Tao, J Balvin and more

*The Festival will see more than 10 concerts staged across the integrated resort from 15 July to 2 August and additional tickets released for The 1975*



SINGAPORE (16 June 2023) – Marina Bay Sands is set to take music fans on a sonic journey with its inaugural Music Festival, ***Where Music Takes Over*** – a celebration of culture, music, and live entertainment. The Festival will bring in an impressive line-up of performances and fringe activities at various venues across the integrated resort over nearly three weeks, from 15 July to 2 August.

Marina Bay Sands will play host to over 10 concerts and musical performances during the Festival, headlined by leading names in global entertainment, including Taiwanese Mandopop singer **David Tao** and Colombian singer, songwriter and music producer **J Balvin**.

These global music icons will join an already impressive line-up of previously announced headlining acts performing at Marina Bay Sands as part of the Music Festival, comprising **The 1975**, **The Strokes**, **RINI**, **Sabrina Carpenter** and **A\$AP Ferg**. The rest of the festival line-up will be unveiled in the coming weeks.

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Prolific composer and singer-songwriter **David Tao** is making a highly anticipated return to Singapore on 16 July. From nostalgic ballads to recent tracks, the six-time Golden Melody Award-winner will present a harmonic splendour and serenade fans with staples of Mandpop melodies. Known as the godfather of Mandarin R&B, Tao's name is synonymous with the Mandopop genre, with a string of awards under his belt, including for *Best Male Mandarin Artist* and *Best Song of the Year*. Known for his signature crossover genre of R&B and hard rock tunes, Tao has been making waves in the scene since his debut in 1997 and has built a solid brand and career in the music industry over the past few decades.

The sonic journey continues with **J Balvin** on 28 July to deliver a captivating high-energy performance. **J Balvin** has been revered as one of the best-selling Latin artists of all time by Billboard. His breakthrough came when his hit single "6 AM" peaked at number 2 on the Billboard in 2014. The Colombian superstar's undisputed musical prowess led him to become the first Latino artist to headline global music festivals, such as Coachella and Tomorrowland. **J Balvin** has also worked alongside many industry luminaries, including Beyonce, Daddy Yankee, Pharrell Williams and Cardi B.

Tickets for **J Balvin** will go on sale on 20 June at 3pm, while tickets for **David Tao** will go on sale on 23 June, 12pm, via Marina Bay Sands' website.



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After selling out two back-to-back shows in March, Marina Bay Sands and Live Nation are releasing additional tickets per night on 18 and 19 July for The 1975's concert at Sands Expo & Convention Centre. Tickets are available via Marina Bay Sands' website and Ticketmaster.

Festival fever will continue at MARQUEE Singapore, LAVO Italian Restaurant & Rooftop Bar, Bread Street Kitchen & Bar and Yardbird Southern Table & Bar as the various establishments will roll out unique experiences and Festival-themed programmes during the month.

For more details and exciting updates on *Where Music Takes Over*, go to [marinabaysands.com/musicfestival](http://marinabaysands.com/musicfestival)

For more ticketing information, please refer to the table below.

1	<b>David Tao</b> Date & Time: Sunday, 16 July 2023 Venue: Sands Grand Ballroom Ticket prices: VIP: S\$248, A Res: S\$198, B Res: S\$158, C Res: S\$118, D Res: S\$88 <i>*excludes S\$4 booking fee</i>
2	<b>RINI</b> Date & Time: Monday, 17 July 2023 Venue: Sands Expo & Convention Centre, Hall D Ticket prices: S\$108 and S\$196 (with meet and greet) <i>*excludes S\$4 booking fee</i>
3	<b>The 1975</b> Date & Time: Tuesday, 18 July 2023 & Wednesday, 19 July 2023 Venue: Sands Expo & Convention Centre, Halls E&F Ticket price: S\$128 <i>*excludes S\$4 booking fee</i>
4	<b>A\$AP Ferg</b> Date & Time: Friday, 21 July 2023 Venue: MARQUEE Singapore Ticket prices: S\$80 for ladies, S\$90 for men, and S\$200 for expedited entry <i>*excludes booking fee</i>
5	<b>Sabrina Carpenter</b> Date & Time: Thursday, 27 July 2023 Venue: Sands Expo & Convention Centre, Halls E&F Ticket prices: S\$98 <i>*excludes S\$4 booking fee</i>
6	<b>J Balvin</b> Date & Time: Friday, 28 July 2023 Venue: Sands Expo & Convention Centre, Halls E&F Ticket prices: S\$138 to S\$188 <i>*excludes S\$4 booking fee</i>
7	<b>The Strokes</b> Date & Time: Wednesday, 2 August 2023 Venue: Sands Expo & Convention Centre, Halls E&F Ticket prices: S\$148 to S\$296 <i>*excludes S\$4 booking fee</i>

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Marina Bay Sands is dedicated to being a good corporate citizen to serve its people, communities and environment. As one of the largest players in hospitality, it employs over 10,000 Team Members across the property. It drives social impact through its community engagement programme, Sands Cares, and leads environmental stewardship through its global sustainability programme, Sands ECO360.

For more information, please visit [www.marinabaysands.com](http://www.marinabaysands.com).

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