



# RAS JAHKNOW BAND

press kit



# BIO

## Melbourne, Australia | Roots Reggae | Global Fusion

Ras Jahknow Band is an iconic Melbourne-based reggae ensemble known for high-energy live performances and a powerful, uplifting message. Rooted in classic reggae traditions and enriched by global influences, the band delivers conscious music that celebrates unity, culture, and positive vibration.

Led by Cape Verdean-born frontman Ras Jahknow, the band blends vocals in English and Creole with rhythms inspired by Cape Verde, Africa, Brazil, the Caribbean, and Australia. Their sound is culturally rich, deeply rhythmic, and designed to move both body and spirit.

Since forming in 2010, Ras Jahknow Band has earned widespread recognition, including a Music Victoria Award nomination for Best Global or Reggae Album, Australian Reggae Radio Music Award for Best Reggae Performer/Band, and Afroshine Australia Award for Excellence in Artistic Talent (Music/Reggae). Ras Jahknow has also received an African Media Award commendation for his contribution to the African community in Australia.

The band has performed extensively across Australia and internationally, appearing at major festivals including St Kilda Festival, Strawberry Fields, Brunswick Music Festival, Moomba, Africa Music & Cultural Festival, Jamaican Music & Food Festival, and the Bob Marley Birthday Bash at the Corner Hotel. International highlights include touring Indonesia and performing at the Bali Reggae Star Festival, as well as representing Cape Verde at the Langkawi Island International Music Festival in Malaysia. The band has also appeared on ABC TV's Spicks and Specks.



# Music

## Selected Releases:

Jah Sta Li (Album)

Jah Sta Li Dub (Album)

## Singles:

You & I

Get Up & Live (feat. Jason Heerah)

Can't Change Jah Jah Man

Let's Unite

Erba Internacional

What A Gwan

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# FESTIVALS

**Africa Music & Cultural Festival**

**Africultures Festival (Sydney)**

**Bali Reggae Star Festival (Indonesia)**

**Big West Festival**

**Black Harmony Gathering**

**Bob Marley Birthday Bash (Corner Hotel, Melbourne)**

**Brunswick Music Festival**

**Emerge Festival**

**French Festival (French Island, VIC)**

**Jamaican Music & Food Festival**

**Langkawi Island International Music Festival (Malaysia)**

**MoMo Festival**

**Moomba Festival**

**Rise Festival (Federation Square, Melbourne)**

**Samba Reggae**

**St Kilda Festival**

**Strawberry Fields Festival**

**Sunraysia Multicultural Festival**

**Tanglewood Festival**

**Viva Victoria Festival**

**Waitangi Festival**

**West African Festival (Immigration Museum, Melbourne)**



# FUTURE

Ras Jahknow Band is currently focused on developing new original material while continuing to deliver powerful live performances across Australia and internationally.

With upcoming releases in the pipeline and plans for future touring and festival appearances, the band remains committed to spreading conscious reggae music that bridges cultures and brings people together.

New music, collaborations, and live showcases will continue to build on the band's legacy while pushing their sound forward.



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