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NOVI GRAD ★ ALL STARS

Since forming in 2015, Bazurka have wowed audiences all over the country, playing successful tours to Auckland, Hawkes Bay, Nelson, Golden Bay and have played **Auckland Garden Festival**, **Newtown Festival**, **Cuba Dupa** festivals. They released their debut album **Novi Grad All Stars** in May 2023, an eclectic mix of deep grooves, sultry ballads, and blazing melodic lines.



Their music is an unabashedly original take on the deep and varied musical traditions of the Balkan states. Their scope is broad, covering material from Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, North Macedonia, Romania, Hungary, and Greece. Their original music does an authentic job of paying homage to the folk and Roma musical traditions that they draw inspiration from, while invariably incorporating a little jazz and rock in there too for good measure.

This seven piece supergroup consists of Thomas Friggens (drums), Andrew Laking (bass), Justin Firefly (guitar), Jake Baxendale (sax), Tristan Carter (violin), Michael Costeloe (trumpet), and Briar Prastiti (vocals).

What is Balkan music? What does Balkan mean? The Balkans refers to a place in South-Eastern Europe, roughly spanning Croatia in the West to Bulgaria in the East, Romania in the North to Greece in the South. For those who haven't heard the music before, imagine a polka band, a Turkish brass band, a string quartet, a Bulgarian choir, and a seedy Belgrade night club all fused together into one.



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