

Bang Shang a Lang : the Never-Ending Party

Maybe it's after your first drink kicks in... or it maybe after you've just met or reacquainted yourself with 'somebody special'. During an evening out, there's a point at which you realise that it's going to be a great night. If Bang Shang a Lang is involved, it will be that moment after the count-in to their first song. You just know you're in for something special.

Bang Shang a Lang is a high energy party band that has been playing around Sydney venues for some time now. The Bangers, or BSL, as they are sometimes known, put on a show that is based on all the best elements of rock'n'roll and pop music. They have a diverse repertoire which is linked by the common themes of fun, power and versatility. They play pop music through a rock'n'roll filter.

Being at a BSL show can evoke memories of the first time that you ever wanted to hear a particular song on the radio, and the feeling you got when it magically appeared as the next on the playlist. But with BSL, every song is a memory trigger and every song is the next one you want to hear. Audience participation is an involuntary response to BSL. You simply have no choice but to be a part of the show. Morning-after stories of BSL gigs are full of damaged larynxes and bruised heels after hollering and stomping along with the party they put on.

Prior to BSL, the individual members have a long and chequered history across the Australian / International music scenes. Mark, Bruce and Murray have played in bands together since the 1980's. Murray (The Red Wiggle) Cook plays in BSL when he's not overseas with his other band; Clyde 'Boom Boom' Bramley used to play bass with the Hoodoo Gurus ; Richie Stevens hails from sunny Leeds in England, home of his beloved Rhinos rugby league team, but grew up playing in bands in London and across the UK.

BSL plays at a range of venues across Sydney currently (from Balmain to Penrith, Cronulla to Manly, from pub to RSL, from workers club to bowling club), building their following with every show. They have also been very successful in adding the elusive X factor to the entertainment roster for big corporate, community and charity events.

Their CD release, 'Unreal, Orange Peel !', has almost sold out its second pressing, with sales at gigs being eclipsed by the band's online sales to fans in the USA, UK, Europe, Canada and NZ. The Bang Shang a Lang website is a meeting place for both the International and local BSL fan base. They are Sydney's biggest international 'local' band. Checkout www.bangshangalang.com

By the way, even though it's the antithesis of rock'n'roll, these guys are professional, well-run and reliable. They can tailor their repertoire to suit (as long as you like dancing to the most brilliant pop / rock songs ever written), they can MC an event for you (as long as you like a little of the unexpected in the mix) and they can help you to make your venue / event one that people will return to or talk about for many moons.

A Bang Shang a Lang gig is the best way to guarantee yourself a great night. Especially after that first drink kicks in... and the first song starts. **Contact BSL at : Management Agency - Reaction Attractions 043 1030991**
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