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A CELEBRATION FOR HARVEY JAMES

“Gimme That Guitar” now a tribute concert for much loved guitarist Sherbet members release statement about their loss

Organisers of the “Gimme That Guitar” concert for Sherbet guitarist Harvey James, deeply saddened by Harvey’s passing last Saturday January 15, have confirmed that the show will definitely go on in Sydney next month.

“Gimme That Guitar” will now be a tribute to Harvey, considered one of Australia’s most respected guitar players, and a celebration of the music he played and loved.

Tickets to the February 17 concert starring Sherbet sold out in just two days last week.

Harvey was personally responsible for bringing together the outstanding line-up of talent donating their time and energies for the night. Along with Sherbet, Harvey’s close friends and colleagues Richard Clapton, Renee Geyer, Ian Moss, Swanee, Dragon, Kevin Borich and Lindsay Wells will perform.

Harvey’s two sons, Gabriel and Joshua, will be playing guitar in the Band Of Friends, and Gabriel will also be on stage playing with Sherbet on behalf of his father.

The remaining members of Sherbet – Daryl Braithwaite, Garth Porter, Tony Mitchell and Alan Sandow – released this statement today:

“This is such a sad time, especially for Harvey’s family. We were all hoping that he’d be with us for Gimme That Guitar; sadly it was not to be. Harvey stepped into Sherbet at a critical time, and his stunning talent and infectious personality immediately shone through. After all these years, his wonderful solos still shine. It will never be the same again without Harv. RIP old mate.”

Long time Sherbet fan and friend, Libbi Gorr (aka Elle McFeast) will be MC for the night. Her cheeky sense of humour was something Harvey had been looking forward to bearing the brunt of.

Funds raised from “Gimme That Guitar” will go to Harvey’s family and to the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre.

“Gimme That Guitar” is on Thursday February 17 at the Factory Theatre, Marrickville, in Sydney.

Donations to Harvey’s family and the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre can be made at www.gimmethatguitar.com.

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