Piano man launches new venue

Sunbury's live music scene has just received a huge boost, with new venue Piano on Evans opening its doors last weekend.

The venue is situated in the former night club site known as 'The Alley' on Evans Street, providing up to 300 revellers the chance to see live pianists performing on Fridays, Saturdays and public holiday eves.

Piano on Evans opens following the success of creator and resident pianist Simon Ross's first bar venture, Piano on Chapel, which opened in late 2021.

Simon couldn't be more excited to provide residents of Melbourne's north-west with the opportunity to see quality late night live music – and by late night, he means late night!

As is the case at his bar on Chapel Street, pianists play right up until the venue's 3am close, making these locations the latest live music offerings in Australia.

Doors open at 7pm and the live music kicks off at 9pm. Piano on Evans is strictly a free entry venue and also offers patrons the chance to play on three free pool tables once inside.

One of the most popular aspects of the bar is that the performer's song list is generated by the audience themselves. Song request cards are placed throughout the room and guests have the chance to write down their favourite tunes, while the pianist on stage is governed by this list of requests.

In terms of drinks, the bar offers an impressive range of cocktails, beers, wines and spirits, while pizza is available until 2am via a partnership with local restaurant Pizza Queen.

Piano on Evans is proudly an all ages venue, with no adult too young or too old to enjoy its unique atmosphere.

The venue is also well set up for function bookings with a separated VIP area holding up to 50 patrons, or the venue can indeed be hired out in its entirety.

While it's still early days, the signs are definitely positive and Simon hopes that the local Sunbury community and surrounding areas will get behind his latest venture.

Piano on Evans is located at 67a Evans Street, Sunbury. For more information, search Piano on Evans on Facebook.

Simon Ross is bringing late night live music to Sunbury at Piano on Evans. (Damjan Janevski) 292110_01)

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