

How much does it cost to have a house concert?

This is a donation based concert where you and your guests can donate whatever you feel comfortable with. In most cases it is "house concert etiquette" for the *host* to make an announcement regarding a donation directly after the performance so the artists and guests are not left feeling awkward. It is also important that you let your guests know this when you invite them so they are not caught off guard on the night. All donations go directly to helping the independent artist in covering basic costs of the evening and further developing their career. You can also choose to offer an agreed upon set fee if you like instead.

How loud will it be?

This is an intimate and acoustic performance that is suitable for a living room. A small PA will be used if needed to help create a more concert like feel however will be suitable for both small spaces and will also allow for a larger setting if you choose to host the concert in your backyard.

Getting in the spirit: (a few tiny ground rules...)

House concerts are an exclusive and very intimate performance held in your lounge room or backyard creating a listening room. House concerts are *not* an opportunity for you to have a band playing in the background of your party for a bit of mood music. It's best to ensure you have an appropriate space in your home for the concert to be held allowing everyone a seat, piece of carpet, blanket or bean bag to sit on. It's very important that all your guests have a seat to make the most of the experience and enjoy the concert in comfort. The performance will run for approximately 45 - 50mins.

As host of a house concert you will need to send invitations (the old fashioned way or electronically...whatever suits you) to your guests with all the details and will require a minimum of 15 people attending before the concert date can be confirmed. This helps to make the evening a successful event for you and the artist. So aim to send out at least 30 invites as it is normal that around only 50% of your invited guests will actually be able to attend. Make sure you get rsvp's from your guests so you know how many people you are expecting and you can confirm the concert with me. You may also want to consider organising to co-host a house concert with a friend.

Can I serve nibbles?

Totally! This is your special event. Go to town if you want to! It would be a little unusual to not provide some sort of nibbles for your guests. However please don't mistake this for me wanting free food as I would not normally eat directly before or after singing, thanks anyway :-)

Will you have merchandise available to buy?

Of course! Copies of the EP and any other merchandise available at the time of your concert will be available to purchase with cash.

Still with me?

Great! If this all sounds wonderful to you, then fill in the contact form available from my website www.jillbeth.com. I will then hold your requested date for a max 10 days while you gather up the troops, remembering to get rsvp's from a minimum of 15 friends so I can lock in your house concert date.

Thank you again for your inquiry and I really look forward to playing for you soon!!

All the best,

Jill Beth_x