## Joint performance by the Royal Australian Navy and the Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force Training Squadron Bands (free admission)

The Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force Training Squadron will visit Sydney from 11 September to 14 September 2014. During this time, the Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force Training Squadron Band will perform a free concert with the Royal Australian Navy Band during the Squadrons' upcoming port call in Sydney. Everyone is welcome so please come with your family and friends.

The Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force Training Squadron Band has performed during numerous port calls around the world. On these occasions the Band's performances have attracted large local audiences and media coverage as is evident in the photos below. We encourage you to come and hear these two professional bands play.



(Photo: Performance by the Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force Training Squadron Bands)

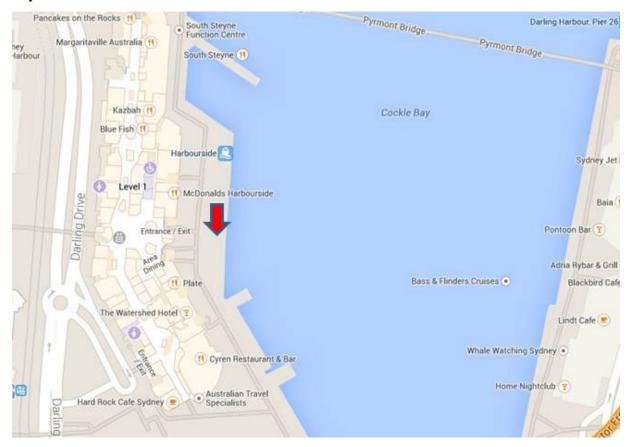
Time and Date: 11:30am to 1:00pm Friday 12 September 2014.

**Place:** Harbourside Amphitheatre, Darling Harbour (see map).

**Content:** There will be a joint concert of about one hour. Prior to the concert, there will also be displays of Kendo (a Japanese martial art) and Taiko (traditional Japanese drumming).

**Background**: The Training Squadron exists to develop the knowledge and skills of Junior Officers (in their early twenties who have completed the General Officer Midshipmen's Course at the JMSDF Officer Candidate School) through extended international voyages. The port call in Sydney is part of this ongoing training.

## Map:



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