

MIKELANGELO

& THE BLACK SEA GENTLEMEN

BIO

Australian-based quintet, Mikelangelo and the Black Sea Gentlemen formed in 2000 and have gone on release four highly acclaimed albums and tour to huge audiences around the world. From headlining at the Sydney Opera House to playing rock festivals in Budapest; from five star reviews at the Edinburgh Festival to sell out shows on London's West End; The Gentlemen have won over crowds from Tasmania to Arnhem Land to Auckland and beyond with their irrepressible style and their high calibre live shows. Equally at home in a seated concert setting, in cabaret format, or on the outdoor festival stage, the group has won multiple awards and critical praise for their incredible performances, developing a die-hard national and international fanbase.

Mikelangelo and the Black Sea Gentlemen released their latest album, *After The Flood*, in May 2016 year via Rocket distribution and their own Black Sea Spice, Tea and Music Trading Company to rave reviews from press, long-term fans and new initiates. The album was conceived and written during an artistic residency in Cooma and the Monaro Plains. The band were inspired by first hand stories of the men who left post war Europe in the 50s and 60s to take their chances in

Australia working on the Snowy Mountains Scheme. *After The Flood* was recorded and mixed at Turning Studios in Sydney with Evan McHugh (Midnight Oil, Grinspoon, The Great Gatsby), who co-produced the album with the group.

The working with theatre director Renald Navilly (Splinters, Tango 160), the group has developed their new show *After The Flood* from their album of the same name. Armed with vivid imaginations and a veritable arsenal of instrumentation, they take on this wild chapter of Australian history, and in so doing, create their own unique and compelling take on the immigrant story.

Mikelangelo and the Black Sea Gentlemen are:

Mikelangelo - Vocals, Guitar and Percussion;

Rufino - Vocals, Violin, Percussion;

T.G. Muldavio - Vocals, Clarinet, Harmonica, Trombone
& Percussion;

Little Ivan - Vocals & Doublebass;

Guido Libido - Vocals, Accordion, Saxophone, Tenor Ukulele

