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Star-studded set of special guests announced for Eden Sessions

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A stellar list of special guests including rap sensation Tinchy Stryder have been announced for this summer's highly anticipated Eden Sessions.

Tinchy will join the multi-award-winning boyband JLS as their special guest when they play against the backdrop of the Eden Project's Biomes on Saturday July 13.

One of the most popular London rappers of his generation, Tinchy Stryder – real name Kwasi Danquah - has released four studio albums and five top ten singles to date.

Tinchy was born in Accra in Ghana before moving to Bow in east London as a child and was an early star of the grime scene, alongside contemporaries Dizzee Rascal and Wiley. He launched his solo career in 2006 with the release of his first studio album, *Star in the Hood*.

He followed that with his second album, *Catch 22*, which made it to number two in the UK album chart and spawned three top ten singles. These included *Number 1* featuring N-Dubz and *Never Leave You* featuring Amelle Berrabah of the Sugababes, both of which reached number one.

Tinchy released his third album, *Third Strike* in 2010 and followed it with his most recent record, the double album *360° / The Cloud 9 LP*, in 2016. In 2014, he teamed up with CBBC favourites the Chuckle Brothers to release the charity single *To Me, To You (Bruv)* in aid of the African-Caribbean Leukaemia Trust.

Joining Australasian rock icons Crowded House on Wednesday June 12 will be Liam Finn. The son of Neil Finn, Liam has always followed his own path. From the adolescent guitar fireworks of his band Betchadupa, to his incendiary one-man performances (including spots on *The Late Show* with David Letterman and *Later... With Jools Holland*), he's found ways to challenge and disrupt what you might expect from a singer-songwriter.

His latest project *Hyperverses* finds him once again charting new territory, including fans in the writing and recording process in unprecedented

ways, with even more ambitious plans to close the gap between artist and audience down the line.

On Saturday June 15, world-renowned British DJ Fatboy Slim will be joined by Cornish DJ Charlie Boon.

Charlie's debut release, a collaboration with drag artist Rileasa Slaves, *Too Fly*, was strongly supported by BBC Radio 1. Charlie has been championed by BBC Introducing and his energetic and engaging sets have seen bookings at Glastonbury, Boardmasters and Inner State.

Other shows forming the Eden Sessions line-up for 2024 are multi-platinum Scottish sensation Paolo Nutini on Wednesday June 19, two of the UK's most influential rock bands Suede and Manic Street Preachers who co-headline on Saturday June 29, American alternative heroes The National plus special guests This Is The Kit on Tuesday July 2, legend Rick Astley plus special guests The Lightning Seeds on Wednesday July 3 and chart-topper Tom Grennan on July 5. Remaining tickets for the upcoming Eden Sessions are on sale now and can be purchased via the Eden Sessions website.

Rita Broe, Managing Director of Eden Sessions Ltd, said: "We're thrilled to be able to unveil such an exciting line-up of special guests for this year's Eden Sessions.

"There is nothing quite like the atmosphere at the Eden Sessions and we are sure that these fantastic acts will help get the party started for our audiences. This year's Eden Sessions season promises to be another one to remember and we can't wait to welcome everyone to our shows this summer."

In September 2019 the Eden Project and global live events company AEG Presents announced a new partnership, Eden Sessions Ltd, to run the Eden Sessions.

In September 2021 Volvo Car UK announced a new three-year partnership as the Official Automotive Partner of the Eden Project and the Eden Sessions music concerts, a deal brokered by AEG Global Partnerships.

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