



SCOTLAND'S JOHNNY LEE MEMPHIS CROWNED PARKES' ULTIMATE ELVIS TRIBUTE ARTIST

Johnny Lee Memphis of **Scotland** has been crowned the winner of the **Parkes Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Contest**, taking top honors among a field of 17 talented Elvis tribute artists from around the world. The competition, held at the Parkes Leagues Club over two action-packed days, saw 18 expert Elvii take to the stage before a panel of judges, vying for the opportunity to represent Parkes at the semi-final round during Elvis Week in Memphis, USA.

Contestants were judged on vocals, appearance, stage presence, and the overall quality of their performances. The stakes were high, with the winner not only earning a spot in the semi-finals in Memphis this August, but also taking home a \$5,000 cash prize and a \$2,000 voucher from B&K Enterprise Costume Co.

The Parkes Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Contest is serious stuff for semi-professional and professional artists and is a part of a worldwide search for artists who are the best representation of the Legacy of Elvis Presley, officially endorsed by Elvis Presley Enterprises.

"Johnny Lee Memphis's victory at the Parkes Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Contest is well-deserved," said **Parkes Elvis Festival Director Tiffany Steele**. "His stage presence was electric and his vocals were nothing short of impressive. It was a pleasure to watch him perform and we are honored to have him represent us at the semi-finals in Memphis. Congratulations to Johnny on a triumphant win!"

Johnny is an Elvis tribute artist from the UK with a wealth of experience, having performed his tribute all over the globe in countries such as China, Canada, the USA, Norway, Italy, Spain, Cyprus, and of course, Australia. Johnny has had previous success in Elvis contests, including winning the Elvis World Cup in 2010 and the European Professional Championship in 2014, as well as placing in the top 10 at the Ultimate Elvis Tribute contest in Memphis in 2015 - an achievement achieved by only a select few professional tribute artists. Second place was awarded to Che Orton of New Zealand and third place went to Melbourne's Joe Piastrino.

The Parkes Elvis Festival is proudly supported by the NSW Government through its tourism and major events agency, Destination NSW, Regional NSW and Transport for NSW.

Visit www.parkeselvisfestival.com.au for more information.

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