Timmy Byrne

// Melbourne dance music pioneer, Kiss FM founder, and vinyl-slinging radio icon □□□□ //

Biography

Timmy Byrne is a Melbourne-based DJ, radio host, and founder of Kiss FM Australia, with over 30 years of experience shaping the country's underground dance music scene□^1□.

He began his career as resident DJ at seminal Melbourne venues including The Underground, Redhead, and Saratoga, before expanding into festival programming and radio broadcasting□^1□. Byrne was instrumental in launching *Kiss My Grass*, a nationally celebrated all-Australian electronic music festival, curating over 60 DJs and 15 live acts annually for five years□^1□.

In 2003, Byrne travelled to Kabul to help establish Arman FM, Afghanistan's first commercial radio station post-Taliban, which went on to become the country's most listened-to station□^1□.

As station manager and music director of Kiss FM, Byrne has built a listener-supported institution that reaches over 99,000 weekly FM listeners in Melbourne and 30,000 online streams across 150 countries□^5□. His flagship show *The Beautiful Drive* airs Tuesday to Friday, featuring interviews and guest mixes from artists like Carl Cox, Boy George, NERVO, Nile Rodgers, Frankie Knuckles, and Honey Dijon□^4□.

Timmy's passion for music, community, and independent broadcasting continues to drive his work—both behind the decks and behind the mic.

Gigs & Festivals Played

* The Underground – Melbourne residency□^1□ * Redhead – Melbourne residency□^1□ * Saratoga – Melbourne residency□^1□ * Big Day Out – national festival□^1□ * Summadayze – Melbourne festival □^1□ * Kiss My Grass – festival curator & performer□^1□

News & Media Links

* Timmy Byrne Host Profile – Kiss FM * Guy Perryman Interview – Buzzsprout, 2024 * Radio Station PRO Interview – 2021

Notes

* Co-founder and operator of Kiss FM with Kate Wignell. * Bachelor's Degree in Media and Japanese. * Known for extensive vinyl and digital catalogue.

Links to external sites or press kits

* https://kissfm.com.au/host/timmy-byrne * https://gofundme.com/f/kissneedsyou