

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## THE STAR SYDNEY PLANS TO CEASE OPERATIONS AT MARQUEE

The Star Sydney has announced its intention to cease operations at Marquee nightclub.

Recently appointed CEO Scott Wharton said it was time for the business to move in a different direction with the highly popular venue.

"We have a good and long-standing relationship with the owners of the Marquee brand," he said.

"They are an excellent partner, and we will discuss doing more with them in the premium hospitality space.

"In this instance, it's about looking at other food and beverage options that will further enhance The Star Sydney as a world-class tourism and entertainment destination."

Mr Wharton said there have been challenges operating the venue as a nightclub.

"Incidents and issues have surfaced at times and that creates additional pressures to meet the standards we expect of ourselves," he said.

Mr Wharton said it was expected Marquee would close later in the year and the redeployment of any impacted staff would be a top priority.

"It's a tough call to make but if we're going to earn back the trust and confidence of all our stakeholders, we need to assess and react accordingly on how we run our operations."

Mr Wharton said future plans for the venue would be announced in due course.

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