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Ross Stevens, Yvette Stanley, Yarra Valley Dairy head cheesemaker Jack Holman and Leanne Tyrrell get ready for the Yarra Valley Wine and Food Festival. Picture: STEVE TANNER

## ART PLAYS PART AT FESTIVAL

WITH more cheese and vino than you can poke a stick at, the Yarra Valley Wine and Food Festival also promises an array of gastro and visual delights.

Set among Rochford Wines vines, the two-day event will have more than 100 of the valley's best food, wine, beer

and cider producers and will showcase the Yarra Ranges' art.

Festival general manager Ross Steven said 12 artists will be given a wine barrel and must design a Yarra Valley theme in the lead-up to the event, with festival goers voting.

There would also be a group

of artists painting a large mural.

"We want to showcase the Yarra Valley's unique arts community," Mr Stevens said.

There will also be wine workshops, food demonstrations, food trucks and farmers markets. Visit [yarravalleywineandfoodfestival.com.au](http://yarravalleywineandfoodfestival.com.au)