



WINNERS OF THE 2011 ARIA AWARDS ANNOUNCED!!!!

BOY & BEAR TAKE HOME FIVE AWARDS! GOTYE ADDS ANOTHER THREE!

ART VS SCIENCE, BILLY THORPE, CUT COPY, DRAPHT, FRONT END LOADER, HAMISH & ANDY, KASEY CHAMBERS, KIMBRA, THE AUDREYS, THE LIVING END, CUT COPY, ALTIYAN CHILDS, GUY SEBASTIAN, BIRDS OF TOYKO ALL WIN AWARDS

Sydney, Australia - Under Total Embargo until 8.30PM ADST, Sunday, 27 November, 2011

The **2011 ARIA Awards** were presented tonight in a star studded ceremony held at Allphones Arena in Sydney Olympic Park before a capacity audience comprised of members of industry heavy weights and music fans.

The event kicked off with a “hair raising” performance by West Australian MC, **DRAPHT** and included stunning performances by **GOTYE** and **KIMBRA**, **BOY & BEAR**, **ART vs SCIENCE**, **GURRUMUL** with **MISSY HIGGINS**, **CUT COPY**, **THE LIVING END** and **GUY SEBASTIAN**, as well as a surprise appearance by **DELTA GOODREM** who performed a moving tribute to those artists who have passed away over the **ARIA AWARDS’** 25 year history.

It was a special night for **ARIA HALL OF FAME** recipients, **KYLIE MINOGUE** and **THE WIGGLES**, both of whom shared the night with their family and friends. **PRIME MINISTER JULIA GILLARD** inducted our international pop princess, **KYLIE MINOGUE**, while *Killing Time* star, **DAVID WENHAM** took on the induction duties for **THE WIGGLES**. It was a double celebration for **THE WIGGLES** who also took out **BEST CHILDREN’S ALBUM**, their tenth, for *Ukulele Baby!*

Sydney quintet, **BOY & BEAR**, capped off a busy year by winning five **ARIA AWARDS** for their critically acclaimed, self-produced, debut album, *Moonfire*. The band, who has already won accolades like Rolling Stone’s Artist to Watch of 2010 and triple j’s Unearthed Artist of the Year, won **BEST ADULT ALTERNATIVE ALBUM**, **BREAKTHROUGH ARTIST - SINGLE**, **BREAKTHROUGH ARTIST - ALBUM**, **BEST GROUP** and the coveted **ALBUM OF THE YEAR** for 2011.

Capping off an extraordinary year, **GOTYE** has taken out the much coveted **ARIA AWARDS** in the categories of **SINGLE OF THE YEAR**, **BEST POP RELEASE** and **BEST MALE ARTIST** adding to the three Awards (**PRODUCER OF THE YEAR**, **BEST VIDEO** and **ENGINEER OF THE YEAR**) already bestowed at the ARIA Awards Nominations Event in early October, all for the hit single, *Somebody That I Used to Know (feat. Kimbra)*.

New Zealand born, **KIMBRA**, who rose to fame in 2011 for her work with **GOTYE**, has taken out her first solo **ARIA AWARD** as **BEST FEMALE ARTIST** for her debut album, *Comeo Lover*.

Singer/songwriter **KASEY CHAMBERS** has proven that she is Australia’s official Queen of Country Music taking out her ninth **BEST COUNTRY ALBUM** Award for her 5th solo album, *Little Bird*.



In an **ARIA AWARDS** first, the legendary **BILLY THORPE** has posthumously won an **ARIA AWARD** for his final masterpiece, *Tangier*. Collecting the **ARIA AWARD** on the night were Billy's wife, Lynn, and daughters Lauren and Rusty.

Two-time **ARIA AWARD** winners, **THE AUDREYS**, collected their third **BEST BLUES AND ROOTS ALBUM**, for their third album, *Sometimes the Stars*.

Sydney three-piece, **ART VS SCIENCE**, who in 2008 were named triple j's Unearthed Artist of the Year, tonight added their first **ARIA AWARD** to their mantles for their debut album, *The Experiment*, taking out the Award for **BEST INDEPENDENT RELEASE**.

West Australian MC, **DRAPHT**, whose album *The Life of Riley* debuted at No. 1 on the ARIA Album Chart, has taken out his first **ARIA AWARD** for **BEST URBAN ALBUM**.

Three time ARIA Award winners, **THE LIVING END**, added two more pointy trophies to their collection taking out the hotly contested **BEST ROCK ALBUM** Award for their 6th long player, *The End is Just the Beginning Repeating*. The hard-rocking threesome also took out the inaugural **ARIA Public Voted Award**, presented by **HP and Intel**, in the category of **MOST POPULAR AUSTRALIAN LIVE ARTIST**.

Radio and TV funny men, and all round nice guys, **HAMISH & ANDY** have won their second **BEST COMEDY RELEASE** ARIA Award, this time for their *Celebrating 50 Glorious Years* Album.

Sydney hard rock outfit, **FRONT END LOADER**, won their first ARIA Award today taking out the **BEST HARD ROCK/HEAVY METAL ALBUM AWARD** and Melbourne dance outfit, **CUT COPY**, also took out their first Award for **BEST DANCE RELEASE**.

Taking out the Awards for **HIGHEST SELLING ALBUM** of 2011 was **ALTIYAN CHILDS** for his self titled debut album and four-time ARIA No. 1 Chart Award and ARIA Award winner, **GUY SEBASTIAN** took out the **HIGHEST SELLING SINGLE** Award for *Who's That Girl?*

The people have spoken! In the **Public Voted ARIA Awards** presented by **HP and Intel** music fans have made their voices - and choices - heard!

Last year's **BEST ROCK ALBUM** winner, **BIRDS OF TOKYO**, took out the Award for **MOST POPULAR AUSTRALIAN ARTIST**, and (almost) honorary Australian, **P!NK**, took the honours as **MOST POPULAR INTERNATIONAL ARTIST** as voted by the Australian public.

ARIA (Australian Recording Industry Association) proudly congratulates all the winners in the **2011 ARIA Awards** season.

The **2011 ARIA AWARDS** were presented by **PRIME MINISTER JULIA GILLARD, DAVID WENHAM, STEVIE NICKS, RICHARD WILKINS, CHRISSY AMPHLETT, HAMISH & ANDY, MISSY HIGGINS, JOEL & BENJI MADDEN, NOAH TAYLOR, DELTA GOODREM, TOM BALLARD & ALEX DYSON, IVA DAVIES, RUBY ROSE, JAMES KERLEY, KATIE NOONAN, ADAM HILLS, RICKI-LEE COULTER, ERIN McNAUGHT and MOLLY MELDRUM.**

The **2011 ARIA Awards** were broadcast on **GO!** at **7.30pm on Sunday, 27 November** and for the first time streamed on any 3G mobile, thanks to **Optus**, on ariaawards.mobi.

For all details of 2011 ARIA Award winners please see below or go to www.ariaawards.com.au.

2011 ARIA Awards
Sunday, 27 November, 2011
Allphones Arena
Sydney Olympic Park

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2011 ARIA AWARD WINNERS

Album of the Year

Boy & Bear - Moonfire
(Island Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Single of the Year

Gotye - Somebody That I Used to Know (feat. Kimbra)
(Samples 'n' Seconds Records/Eleven: A Music Company)

Best Male Artist

Gotye - Somebody That I Used to Know (feat. Kimbra)
(Samples 'n' Seconds Records/Eleven: A Music Company)

Best Female Artist

Kimbra - Cameo Lover
(Warner Music Australia)

Best Group

Boy & Bear - Moonfire
(Island Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Breakthrough Artist - Album

Boy & Bear - Moonfire
(Island Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Breakthrough Artist - Single

Boy & Bear - Feeding Line
(Island Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Best Independent Release

Art vs Science - The Experiment
(Green/MGM Distribution)

Best Adult Alternative Album

Boy & Bear - Moonfire
(Island Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Best Adult Contemporary Album

Billy Thorpe - Billy Thorpe's Tangier
(Sony Music Entertainment Australia)

Best Blues & Roots Album

The Audreys - Sometimes the Stars
(ABC Music)

Best Children's Album

The Wiggles - Ukulele Baby!
(ABC Music)

Best Comedy Release

Hamish & Andy - Celebrating 50 Glorious Years
(Roadshow Music)



Best Country Album

Kasey Chambers - Little Bird
(Liberation Music)

Best Dance Release

Cut Copy - Zonoscope
(Modular Recordings)

Best Hard Rock/Heavy Metal Album

Front End Loader - Ritardando
(Weeping Anus Records/MGM Distribution)

Best Pop Release

Gotye - Somebody That I Used to Know (feat. Kimbra)
(Samples 'n' Seconds Records/Eleven: A Music Company)

Best Rock Album

The Living End - The Ending Is Just the Beginning Repeating
(Dew Process/Universal Music Australia)

Best Urban Album

Drapht - The Life of Riley
(The Ayems/Sony Music Entertainment Australia)

Highest Selling Album

Altiyan Childs - Altiyan Childs
(Sony Music Entertainment Australia)

Highest Selling Single

Guy Sebastian - Who's that Girl (feat. Eve)
(Sony Music Entertainment Australia)

Best Classical Album

Sally Whitwell - Mad Rush: Piano Music of Philip Glass
(ABC Classics)

Best Jazz Album

Elixir featuring Katie Noonan - First Seed Ripening
(ABC Music)

Best Original Soundtrack/Cast/Show Album

Chris Lilley - Angry Boys - Official Soundtrack Album
(ABC Music)

Best World Music Album

Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu - Rrakala
(Skinnyfish Music/MGM Distribution)

Best Music DVD

AC/DC - AC/DC - Live at River Plate
(Albert Productions)

Best Cover Art

Alter - Cut Copy, Zonoscope
(Modular Recordings)

Best Video

Natasha Pincus for Starkraving Productions - Gotye, Somebody That I Used to Know (feat. Kimbra)
(Samples 'n' Seconds Records/Eleven: A Music Company)



Engineer of the Year

Francois Tetaz - Gotye, Somebody That I Used to Know (feat. Kimbra)
(Samples 'n' Seconds Records/Eleven: A Music Company)

Producer of the Year

Wally De Backer - Gotye, Somebody That I Used to Know (feat. Kimbra)
Samples 'n' Seconds Records/Eleven: A Music Company)

2011 PUBLIC VOTED ARIA AWARD WINNERS

Public Voted categories brought to you by HP and Intel

Most Popular Australian Artist

Birds of Tokyo
(EMI Music Australia)

Most Popular International Artist

P!nk
(La Face/Sony Music Australia)

Most Popular Australian Live Artist

The Living End
(Dew Process/Universal Music Australia)

