

## WINNERS FOR THE 2012 ARIA AWARDS ANNOUNCED!

Sydney, Australia - Under Total Embargo until <u>10.00pm ADST</u>, Thursday, November 29, 2012

Gotye collects <u>4</u> ARIA Awards with The Temper Trap adding <u>2</u> more to their collection!

360, Buddy Goode, DZ Deathrays, Hilltop Hoods, Ivan Gough & Feenixpawl Feat. Georgi Kay, Jeff Lang, The Jezabels, Kimbra, Matt Corby, The McClymonts, The Wiggles, Missy Higgins and One Direction all pick up Awards!

The 2012 ARIA Awards capped off an incredible year for Australian music with a star-studded ceremony at the Sydney Entertainment Centre that saw the industry and music fans celebrate the success of our Aussie talent in true ARIA style.

In what is sure to go down in the ARIA annals as a truly magical ARIA moment, Australian musical icons YOTHU YINDI were inducted into the ARIA Hall Of Fame by PAUL KELLY & former Midnight Oil frontman and current Minister for Education PETER GARRETT and were joined on stage by ANDREW FARRISS, DAN SULTAN, PAUL KELLY and JESSICA MAUBOY for a moving tribute to their international hit 'Treaty'.

GOTYE (Wally De Backer) has capped off a phenomenal year by scooping 4 ARIA Awards including the coveted ALBUM OF THE YEAR for his internationally acclaimed album 'Making Mirrors'. The Melbourne based artist also took home the ARIA for the publicly voted BEST AUSTRALIAN LIVE ACT, as well as BEST MALE ARTIST & BEST POP RELEASE - both Awards he won last year.

Melbourne group THE TEMPER TRAP have also continued their ARIA success with the band taking home the ARIA for BEST GROUP - an Award they also won in



















2010. Their self titled #1 ARIA Album 'The Temper Trap' also picked up an ARIA for BEST ROCK ALBUM.

Coming off the back of her 2011 ARIA win with 'Somebody I Used To Know', KIMBRA has secured her spot on the Australian musical landscape by collecting an ARIA for BEST FEMALE for her debut album 'Vows'.

The BREAKTHROUGH ARTIST RELEASE AWARD went to exciting Hip-Hop newcomer 360, while the winner of the ARIA Award for BEST URBAN ALBUM went to stalwarts of the Australian Urban scene the HILLTOP HOODS - an Award they have won twice previously.

Previous 7 x ARIA Award winner, MISSY HIGGINS added another statue to her mantle for BEST ADULT CONTEMPORARY ALBUM for her #1 ARIA Album 'The Ol' Razzle Dazzle'. MISSY also picked up the publicly voted BEST VIDEO AWARD for her single 'Everyone's Waiting' by Director NATASHA PINCUS.

**BEST INDEPENDENT RELEASE** went to indie favourites, **THE JEZABELS** for their debut album **PRISONER**.

IVAN GOUGH & FEENIXPAWL FEAT. GEORGI KAY, collected the ARIA for BEST DANCE RELEASE for 'In My Mind' with BEST HARD ROCK/ HEAVEY METAL ALBUM going to Brisbane's thrash pop band DZ DEATHRAYS for their album 'Bloodstreams'.

**BEST BLUES & ROOTS ALBUM** went to **JEFF LANG**, an award he won in 2002 for his collaboration with Bob Brozman, while **THE MCCLYMONTS** scooped another ARIA Award for **BEST COUNTRY ALBUM**, an Award they had previously won in 2010.

THE WIGGLES have racked up their 11<sup>th</sup> ARIA Award with the collection of **BEST** CHILDRENS ALBUM for 'Surfer Jeff' with **BUDDY GOODE** taking home the gong for **BEST COMEDY** for 'Unappropriate'.

Publicly voted awards including ARIA SONG OF THE YEAR presented by Southern Cross Austereo, went to MATT CORBY for his song 'Brother' while International pop sensations ONE DIRECTION took home the Nova presented BEST INTERNATIONAL ARTIST AWARD.

Kicking off the fanfare for the night with a high energy performance on the suitably rock, 'black' David Jones Red Carpet, were ARIA Song Of The Year Nominees,



















**TIMOMATIC** and **JUSTICE CREW** who performed together in an exclusive mash up of two of their biggest hits; 'Set It Off' & 'Boom Boom'. The stunning **JESSICA MAUBOY** followed with a mesmerizing medley of songs off her #1 ARIA charting Sapphires Soundtrack.

The HILLTOP HOODS took to the stage with a jumping performance of 'I Love It' followed by GUY SEBASTIAN who was joined on stage with surprise special guest LUPE FIASCO with a performance of his record breaking Australian and International smash hit 'Battle Scars'.

International singer / songwriter and multiple Grammy Award winner, TAYLOR SWIFT was a special guest on the night, performing her smash hit 'Trouble' from her multiplatinum #1 ARIA charting album RED.

MISSY HIGGINS took to the stage for a stunning performance of 'Everyone's Waiting' while THE JEZABELS performed their hit 'Endless Summer'. 360 was joined on stage by GOSSLING to perform the multiplatinum hit 'Boys Like You'.

**KIMBRA** took to the stage to perform a breathtaking rendition of 'Settle Down' with the **THE TEMPER TRAP** closing the night with an incredible performance of 'Trembling Hands'.

**HAVANA BROWN** undertook the role of special DJ performer for the evening with **RUBY ROSE** performing the role of house DJ for what was a stellar night of music.

"On behalf of the ARIA Board, I would like to congratulate all the winning artists and nominees at the 26<sup>th</sup> ARIA Awards. It has also been our honour to welcome Yothu Yindi into the ARIA Hall of Fame, where they now take their place with other iconic Australian artists. This year's ARIA Awards have been a great success and once again demonstrate the profound impact and diversity of Australian music through the performances of our incredibly talented artists. I would like to thank all those that were involved in staging the Awards, particularly our valued broadcast, media and sponsorship partners for their outstanding support." Denis Handlin AM, ARIA Chairman and Sony Music Entertainment Chairman & CEO Australia & New Zealand and President, Asia.

"This year, the ARIAs have again shown that they are a world-class awards ceremony. The artists, both winners and nominees, as well as this evening's performances, highlight the amazing homegrown talent that we have here in Australia. It has been another fantastic celebration of our local music industry, and



















the perfect opportunity for artists, music fans and the industry to join together and acknowledge the massive achievements of the past year." Dan Rosen, CEO ARIA.

NSW Minister for Tourism, Major Events and the Arts, George Souris, said the NSW Government through Destination NSW is pleased to support Australia's pinnacle music industry event, the ARIA Awards.

"With the majority of Australia's recording industry based in Sydney, our global city is the natural home for the ARIA Awards and confirms NSW as the premier state for staging high profile creative industries events such as Vivid Sydney and Mercedes-Benz Fashion Week Australia," Mr Souris said. "I congratulate all 26th ARIA Award winners and wish them and the Australian music industry a successful and prosperous year ahead."

ARIA (Australian Recording Industry Association) proudly congratulates all the winners in the 2012 ARIA Awards season.

The 2012 ARIA AWARDS were presented by MOLLY MELDRUM, LANIE LANE, JOSH PYKE, ELLA HOOPER, CHRIS CHENEY, KATE PECK, KEIYNAN LONSDALE, JOSH THOMAS, JESSICA MAUBOY, EXAMPLE, RICKI -LEE, LEE KERNAGHAN, ERIN MCNAUGHT, PETER GARRETT, PAUL KELLY, THE HOBBITS (MARTIN FREEMAN, ANDY SERKIS, RICHARD ARMITAGE), FITZY & WIPPA, NICKI MINAJ, THE MADDEN BROTHERS, MATTY & MEL, CLARE BOWDITCH, BOB EVANS, RUSSELL BRAND, TAYLOR SWIFT & RICHARD WILKINS.

This years ARIA Awards were proudly supported by the NSW Government through Destination NSW, David Jones, Sonos, JB Hi-Fi Now and PPCA. The ARIA Hall Of Fame induction was proudly supported by You Me Unity.

The ARIA Awards were broadcast on Nine Network's GO! channel from 7.30pm.

To hear the performances from the 2012 ARIA Awards you can stream them exclusively at JB HI FI NOW from Friday 30th November.

## WINNERS LIST:

BEST INDEPENDENT RELEASE - THE JEZABELS BEST ROCK ALBUM - THE TEMPER TRAP **BEST CHILDRENS - THE WIGGLES** BEST COMEDY RELEASE - BUDDY GOODE





















**BREAKTHROUGH ARITST AWARD - 360** BEST DANCE RELEASE - IVAN GOUGH & FEENIXPAWL Feat. GEORGI KAY BEST HARD ROCK/HEAVY METAL ALBUM -DZ DEATHRAYS BEST AUSTRALIAN LIVE ACT -GOTYE BEST COUNTRY ALBUM - THE McCLYMONTS BEST BLUES & ROOTS ALBUM - JEFF LANG **BEST POP RELEASE- GOTYE** BEST INTERNATIONAL RELEASE - ONE DIRECTION **BEST URBAN ALBUM - HILLTOP HOODS** BEST GROUP - THE TEMPER TRAP ARIA SONG OF THE YEAR - MATT CORBY BEST ADULT CONTEMPORARY ALBUM-MISSY HIGGINS BEST FEMALE ARTIST- KIMBRA **BEST MALE ARTIST - GOTYE** ALBUM OF THE YEAR - GOYTE

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