

# ARIA

## AWARDS 2017



### ARIA AWARDS MAKE A DAZZLING HOMECOMING TO THE NINE NETWORK

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**ARIA** (Australian Recording Industry Association) is excited to announce the ARIA Awards will be returning to its original home, the **Nine Network**. Following on from the triumphant success of the 30th ARIA Award celebrations, the most anticipated night on the Australian music industry calendar, the 31st Annual ARIA Awards is set to take place on **Tuesday 28th November 2017** and will be broadcast from Sydney around Australia on the **Nine Network**.

The 2016 ARIA Awards was a TV ratings success - delivering an annual increase of audience ratings of 31%, the biggest audience since 2010, and winning its timeslot in total people, and all demos including both 25-54s and under 55s. #ARIAs was also the #1 social media event on TV for the evening, trending at #1 nationally and in every capital city in Australia, and #3 around the world on Twitter.

**Adrian Swift** Head of Content, Partnerships and Development of **Nine Network Australia**, said: *"We are delighted to be broadcasting the 31st Annual ARIA Awards on Nine, celebrating the pinnacle of Australian music. This is a fantastic addition to our commitment in bringing premium live events and entertainment to viewers across Australia."*

**Denis Handlin** AO, ARIA Chairman and Chairman and CEO of **Sony Music Entertainment** Australia and New Zealand and President, Asia, said: *"We are delighted to bring the ARIAs*

*back home to the Nine Network, which has hosted so many of the ARIA Awards' most memorable moments. The Nine Network has a long association with the ARIA Awards, having hosted the event's inaugural broadcast in 1992.*

*We look forward to working with Nine's CEO Hugh Marks and his team to produce a world-class event that celebrates our incredible artists and their amazing achievements this year."*

ARIA Chief Executive **Dan Rosen** said: "ARIA is excited to partner with the Nine Network. Together we will create great event TV, with the ARIA stage set to showcase our Australian artists who are topping the charts here and around the world.

*The 2017 ARIAs will play host to the biggest names in Australian music and celebrate with magic moments and standout performances."*

There has been a host of Australian artist success stories on the ARIA Charts over the past year from established artists such as **Nick Cave & The Bad Seeds, Kasey Chambers, Bliss n Eso, Jessica Mauboy** and **Dune Rats** to newcomers like **Amy Shark** and **Starley**. These achievements, combined with iconic live performances and collaborations, as well as a very special Hall of Fame induction, ensures we are in for an unforgettable night on **Tuesday 28th November 2017**.

Stay tuned for more exciting announcements about the **2017 ARIA Awards**.

**#ARIAs**

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