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## ARIA ANNOUNCES THE FINE ARTS & ARTISAN NOMINEES FOR 2012

ARIA is pleased to announce the 2012 ARIA Nominees for the **FINE ARTS & ARTISAN** Award Categories including; Best Classical Album, Best Jazz Album, Best Original Soundtrack/ Cast/ Show Album, Best World Music Album along with Producer Of The Year, Engineer Of the Year, and Best Cover Art, with a diverse and talented array of Australian Musicians and Artisans recognised in all 7 categories.

The winners of both the **FINE ARTS** Awards and **ARTISAN** Awards will be announced at the official ARIA Nominations Event in Sydney on WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 3 at the ART GALLERY OF NSW where the nominees for the remaining genre awards will be also announced.

*“ARIA congratulates all of this year’s nominees in the Fine Arts and Artisan Awards. It is a wonderful achievement and a credit to their talent, dedication and passion to their craft.” – Denis Handlin AM, ARIA Chairman*

*“The Fine Arts and Artisan Awards lay the foundation for our ARIA Award celebrations and it is an honour to be recognising these talented artists, musicians, producers and engineers that represent a range of genres and artforms that make our industry what it is.” – Dan Rosen, ARIA CEO.*

### **FINE ARTS NOMINEES:**

#### **BEST CLASSICAL ALBUM**

Jose Carbo with Slava & Leonard Grigoryan – My Latin Heart  
Orchestra Of The Antipodes – Bach: Brandenburg Concertos  
Sally Whitwell – The Good, The Bad and The Awkward  
Sydney Symphony, Vladimir Ashkenazy – Elgar: The Dream Of Gerontius  
William Barton– Kalkadungu

#### **BEST JAZZ ALBUM**

Barney McAll – Graft  
Grace Knight – Keep Cool Fool  
James Morrison – Snappy Too  
McGann – Wending  
Sarah McKenzie – Close Your Eyes  
Steven Rossitto – Night & Day





#### **BEST WORLD MUSIC ALBUM**

Dead Can Dance – Anastasis  
Joseph Tawadros – Concerto Of The Greater Sea  
Nicky Bomba's Bustamento – Intrepid Adventures to The Lost Riddim Island  
Sarah Calderwood – As Night Falls  
Warren H Williams & The Warumungu Songmen – Winanjara: The Song Peoples Sessions

#### **BEST ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK/ CAST/ SHOW ALBUM**

Jane Rutter – An Australian In Paris  
Jon English & The Original Cast Of the Rock Show – The Rock Show  
Rockwiz – The Rockwiz Christmas Album  
triple j – Straight To You – triple j's Tribute To Nick Cave  
Various Artists - The Sapphires Original Soundtrack

#### **ARTISAN AWARD NOMINEES:**

##### **PRODUCER OF THE YEAR**

Chong Lim – Sarah McKenzie, Close Your Eyes  
Lachlan Mitchell – The Jezabels, Prisoner  
Lanie Lane – Lanie Lane, To The Horses  
Styalz Fuego – 360, Falling & Flying  
Virginia Read – Sally Whitwell, The Good, The Bad and The Awkward

##### **ENGINEER OF THE YEAR**

Francois Tetaz for Gotye – Gotye, Making Mirrors  
Lachlan Mitchell – The Jezabels, Prisoner  
Matt Fell – Tim Freedman, Australian Idle  
Scott Horscroft – 360, Falling & Flying  
Wayne Connolly – Josh Pyke, Only Sparrows

##### **BEST COVER ART**

Carlo Santone – Gurrumul, Bayini Feat, Sarah Blasko  
Christopher Doyle – The Jezabels, Prisoner  
Debaser – 360, Falling & Flying  
Frank De Backer & Wally De Backer– Gotye, Making Mirrors  
Rennie Ellis – Oh Mercy, Deep Heat

For an artist to be eligible for a 2012 ARIA Award, they must have released their recording within the eligibility period, which extends from Friday, 19 August 2011 to Thursday, 23 August 2012.

The 26<sup>th</sup> ARIA Awards will be held on **Thursday November 29** at the Entertainment Centre in Sydney and broadcast on Networks Nine's digital channel GO! For further information on this years ARIA Awards please head to; [www.ariaawards.com.au](http://www.ariaawards.com.au).

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