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AND THE 2018 ARIA AWARD GOES TO...

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The sold-out **2018 ARIA Awards** with **Apple Music**, held at The Star Event Centre, Sydney and broadcast nationally only on the **Nine Network**, capped off an extraordinary year for the Australian music industry and showcased the talent and diversity of this year's nominated artists.

What a night for Gold Coast's **Amy Shark**, taking home a total of four ARIA Awards. This includes the prestigious **Apple Music Album Of The Year** Award for **Amy's** ARIA #1 album, "**Love Monster**", as well as ARIA Awards for **Best Female Artist** and **Best Pop Release**. This adds to her win earlier this year at the 2018 ARIA Awards Nominations Event when her Double Platinum hit single '**I Said Hi**' picked up the **Producer Of The Year** Award.

Guests at **The Star Event Centre, Sydney** and the fans watching on the **Nine Network** were treated to an epic performance from **Amy**, cementing her as one of Australia's emerging stars.

It was also a very special night for the late **Gurrumul**, who was posthumously awarded ARIA Awards for **Best Male Artist** and **Best Independent Release**, also adding to his win earlier this year with the 2018 Nominations Event when he picked up **Best World Music Album**, and **Best Cover Art** for **Caiti Baker's** work for "**Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow)**", taking his overall 2018 ARIA Awards tally to **four** for his #1 album, which made Australian chart history by becoming the first Indigenous language album to debut at #1.

Jessica Mauboy and **Briggs** from **A.B Original** performed a very special musical tribute to honour **Gurrumul**, who sadly passed away on 25 July 2017, at the age of only 46. **Gurrumul's** daughter **Jasmine Yunupingu** joined the Australian musicians to perform a rendition of **Gurrumul's** '**Wulminda**', celebrating his life and legacy, bringing the room to an emotional silence.

The tone of the 32nd ARIA Awards was set when **5 Seconds Of Summer**, ARIA Award winners for **Apple Music Song Of The Year** and **Best Group**, opened the show with a power-driven performance of their smash single '**Youngblood**'. The performance also proved the reason why Australian music fans voted the band to receive the award for **Best Australian Live Act**.

Courtney Barnett charmed audiences with a performance of her catchy and reflective track 'Charity', taken from her #2 ARIA Album "Tell Me How You Really Feel", which was awarded **Best Rock Album**, as well as **Engineer Of The Year** for **Burke Reid**'s work on the album.

Much loved Sydney singer-songwriter **Dean Lewis** delivered a powerful rendition of his ARIA #1 single and 4x Platinum single 'Be Alright', which has over **360 million streams**. A song that has captured the hearts of the fans, with the public voting for the cinematic video to win the ARIA award for **Best Video**.

Camila Cabello fans also delivered, voting her as the recipient for **Best International Artist**, following the release of her debut album "Camila", which peaked at #3 on the ARIA Album Charts and reached Gold Status in Australia.

ARIA Award nominees **Sheppard** announced the winner of **ARIA Music Teacher Of The Year** Award, sponsored by **Telstra** and supported by **The Song Room**, and **Scott Maxwell** from **Grant High School** in Mount Gambier, South Australia was the proud recipient.

Ahead of her official induction into the **ARIA Hall Of Fame**, **Kasey Chambers** was the recipient of the **Best Country Album** ARIA Award with **The Fireside Disciples**. **Kasey** then went on to treat the audience to a spectacular rendition of her classic hit single 'Not Pretty Enough'. Joined on stage by **Missy Higgins**, **Kate Miller-Heidke**, **Amy Sheppard** and **Paul Kelly**, the performance also incorporated the track 'Ain't No Little Girl', taken from her 2017 #1 ARIA Album "Dragonfly." **Kasey** has made ARIA history, as the youngest female to be inducted into the **Hall Of Fame**.

Fans were treated to stellar performances from international superstars **Rita Ora** and **George Ezra**. Following the announcement of her Australian tour in March, **Rita Ora** executed a euphoric performance of her critically acclaimed track 'Let Me Love You.' British singer-songwriter **George Ezra** also blew the audience away with a truly memorable performance of his track 3x Platinum #1 hit 'Shotgun', that continues its reign in the Top 5 of the ARIA Singles Chart.

The 2018 ARIA Awards host, **Keith Urban** closed the ceremony with an exhilarating mash-up performance of his critically acclaimed tracks 'Parallel Line', and was joined onstage by multiple ARIA Award winner, **Amy Shark** for a jubilant version of 'The Fighter'.

Denis Handlin AO, ARIA Chairman and Chairman and CEO of Sony Music Entertainment Australia and New Zealand and President, Asia said: "On behalf of the ARIA Board, I would like to congratulate all the winning artists and nominees at the 2018 ARIA Awards with Apple Music. It has also been an honour to welcome Kasey Chambers into the ARIA Hall Of Fame. The 2018 ARIA Awards have been a spectacular showcase of the vibrant array of homegrown talent that makes Australian music some of the best in the world."

We would like to thank all of the 2018 ARIA Awards partners – Apple Music, Destination NSW, The

Nine Network, The Star, Swarovski, Pepsi Max, Telstra and PPCA for their valued support in making the ARIA Awards such a wonderful event.”

Dan Rosen, ARIA Chief Executive said: *“2018 has been an incredible year for Australian music and that was certainly evident by the phenomenal talent that graced the ARIA stage. The collection of tonight’s winners, nominees and performers highlight the world-class homegrown talent that we have here in Australia. ARIA congratulates all of tonight’s winners, in particular Amy Shark, Gurrumul and 5 Seconds Of Summer who all won multiple ARIA Awards.”*

NSW Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Adam Marshall said, *“We’re proud to host Australia’s flagship music event here in Sydney and on behalf of the NSW Government I congratulate all of tonight’s winners. The ARIAs brings together the very best talent in the Australian music industry, showcasing exciting breakthrough artists and industry veterans alike, and the 2018 line-up was no exception.”*

The **2018 ARIA Awards** kicked off in sensational style on the **Red Carpet** presented by **Swarovski** with hosts **Tanya Hennessy** and **Angus O’Loughlin**, with the red carpet live-streamed to a global audience on Twitter.

Music fans around the world joined the conversation around the ARIA Awards using the hashtag **#ARIAs**.

ARIA wishes to thank its partners and sponsors without whom the ARIA Awards would not be possible: **Apple Music, CUB, Destination NSW, The Nine Network, The Star, Swarovski, Pepsi Max, Pernod Ricard, Telstra, PPCA** and **Virgin Australia**.

ARIA extends its thanks and gratitude to host **Keith Urban** and **Red Carpet** hosts **Tanya Hennessy** and **Angus O’Loughlin**, as well as the wonderful presenters at the **2018 ARIA Awards with Apple Music**: Briggs, Dave Le’aupepe, George Ezra, Jessica Mauboy, Jimmy Barnes, Mýa, Paul Kelly, Peking Duk, Richard Marx, Richard Wilkins, Rita Ora, Sheppard, Sophie Monk, Steve Kilbey, Troy Cassar-Daley, Troye Sivan, Vance Joy, Veronica & Lewis and Zane Lowe.

As we bid goodnight to this year’s celebration of the **2018 ARIA Awards**, we are grateful for the opportunity for **ARIA** and the music industry to commemorate its incredible history, amazing artists and moments that have captured the nation’s imagination. We look forward to doing it all again in 2019!

2018 ARIA AWARDS WITH APPLE MUSIC RECIPIENTS

APPLE MUSIC ALBUM OF THE YEAR

WINNER: Amy Shark - Love Monster (Wonderlick Recording Company)

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Courtney Barnett - Tell Me How You Really Feel (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)

Gurrumul - Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Pnau - Changa (etcetc Music)

Troye Sivan - Bloom (EMI)

BEST MALE ARTIST

WINNER: Gurrumul - Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Dan Sultan - Killer Under A Blood Moon (Liberation Records)

Dean Lewis - Be Alright (Island Records Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Gurrumul - Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Troye Sivan - Bloom (EMI)

Vance Joy - Nation Of Two (Liberation Records)

BEST FEMALE ARTIST

WINNER: Amy Shark - Love Monster (Wonderlick Recording Company)

Alison Wonderland - Awake (EMI)

Amy Shark - Love Monster (Wonderlick Recording Company)

Courtney Barnett - Tell Me How You Really Feel (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)

Sia - Flames (What A Music Ltd, Under Exclusive Licence to Warner Music Group)

Tash Sultana - Flow State (Lonely Lands Records/Sony Music)

BEST DANCE RELEASE

WINNER: Pnau - Go Bang (etcetc Music)

Alison Wonderland - Awake (EMI)

Fisher - Losing It (etcetc Music)

Peking Duk - Fire (Sony Music)

Pnau - Go Bang (etcetc Music)

RÜFÜS DU SOL - No Place (Sony Music)

BEST GROUP

WINNER: 5 Seconds Of Summer - Youngblood (Capitol UK/EMI)

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DMA'S - For Now (I OH YOU)

Peking Duk - Fire (Sony Music)

Pnau - Go Bang (etcetc Music)

RÜFÜS DU SOL - No Place (Sony Music)

BREAKTHROUGH ARTIST PRESENTED BY PPCA

WINNER: Ruel - Dazed & Confused (RCA Records/Sony Music)

Alex Lahey - I Love You Like A Brother (Nicky Boy Records/Caroline Australia)

Jack River - Sugar Mountain (I OH YOU)

Mojo Juju - Native Tongue (ABC Music/Universal Music Australia)

Odette - To A Stranger (EMI)

Ruel - Dazed & Confused (RCA Records/Sony Music)

BEST POP RELEASE

WINNER: Amy Shark - Love Monster (Wonderlick Recording Company)

5 Seconds Of Summer - Youngblood (Capitol UK/EMI)

Amy Shark - Love Monster (Wonderlick Recording Company)

Dean Lewis - Be Alright (Island Records Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Jack River - Sugar Mountain (I OH YOU)

Troye Sivan - Bloom (EMI)

BEST URBAN RELEASE

WINNER: Hilltop Hoods - Clark Griswold (feat. Adrian Eagle) (Hilltop Hoods/Universal Music Australia)

360 - Vintage Modern (Forthwrite/EMI)

Esoterik - My Astral Plane (Flight Deck/Mushroom Group)

Hilltop Hoods - Clark Griswold (feat. Adrian Eagle) (Hilltop Hoods/Universal Music Australia)

Kerser - Engraved In The Game (ABK Records. Marketed & distributed by ADA, a division of Warner Music Australia Pty Ltd)

Mojo Juju - Native Tongue (ABC Music/Universal Music Australia)

BEST INDEPENDENT RELEASE

WINNER: Gurrumul - Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Angus & Julia Stone - Snow (Angus & Julia Stone Pty Ltd/EMI)

Courtney Barnett - Tell Me How You Really Feel (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)

DMA'S - For Now (I OH YOU)

Gurrumul - Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Pnau - Go Bang (etcetc Music)

BEST ROCK ALBUM

WINNER: Courtney Barnett - Tell Me How You Really Feel (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)

Camp Cope - How To Socialise & Make Friends (Poison City Records)

Courtney Barnett - Tell Me How You Really Feel (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)

DMA'S - For Now (I OH YOU)

Luca Brasi - Stay (Cooking Vinyl Australia)

Middle Kids - Lost Friends (EMI)

BEST ADULT CONTEMPORARY ALBUM

WINNER: Vance Joy - Nation Of Two (Liberation Records)

Courtney Barnett & Kurt Vile - Lotta Sea Lice (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)

Dan Sultan - Killer Under A Blood Moon (Liberation Records)

Missy Higgins - Solastalgia (Eleven: A Music Company/EMI Music)

Odette - To A Stranger (EMI)

Vance Joy - Nation Of Two (Liberation Records)

BEST COUNTRY ALBUM

WINNER: Kasey Chambers & The Fireside Disciples - Campfire (Essence Group Entertainment. Marketed and distributed by Warner Music Australia Pty Ltd)

Adam Eckersley & Brooke McClymont - Adam & Brooke (Lost Highway Australia /Universal Music Australia)

Fanny Lumsden - Real Class Act (Red Dirt Road/AWAL)

Kasey Chambers & The Fireside Disciples - Campfire (Essence Group Entertainment. Marketed and distributed by Warner Music Australia Pty Ltd)

The Wolfe Brothers - Country Heart (ABC Music/Universal Music Australia)

Travis Collins - Brave & The Broken (ABC Music/Universal Music Australia)

BEST HARD ROCK/HEAVY METAL ALBUM

WINNER: Parkway Drive - Reverence (Resist Records/Cooking Vinyl Australia)

DZ Deathrays - Bloody Lovely (I OH YOU)

King Parrot - Ugly Produce (EVP Recordings/Rocket)

Parkway Drive - Reverence (Resist Records/Cooking Vinyl Australia)

Polaris - The Mortal Coil (Resist Records/Cooking Vinyl Australia)

West Thebarton - Different Beings Being Different (Domestic La La/Sony Music Entertainment)

BEST BLUES & ROOTS ALBUM

WINNER: Tash Sultana - Flow State (Lonely Lands Records/Sony Music)

Angus & Julia Stone - Snow (Angus & Julia Stone Pty Ltd/EMI)

Emily Wurramara - Milyakburra (Wantok Musik/MGM)

Mama Kin Spender - Golden Magnetic (ABC Music/Universal Music Australia)

Ruby Boots - Don't Talk About It (Island Records Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Tash Sultana - Flow State (Lonely Lands Records/Sony Music)

BEST ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK OR MUSICAL THEATRE CAST ALBUM

WINNER: Jimmy Barnes - Working Class Boy: The Soundtracks (BLOODLINES)

Evelyn Ida Morris - Acute Misfortune (Original Soundtrack) (ABC Music/Universal Music Australia)

Jessica Mauboy - The Secret Daughter Season Two (Songs for the Original 7 Series) (Sony Music)

Jimmy Barnes - Working Class Boy: The Soundtracks (BLOODLINES)

LIARS - 1/1 (Original Soundtrack) (Mute/Inertia)

Various Artists - Muriel's Wedding: The Musical (The Original Cast Recording) (Global Creatures/Sony Music)

BEST CHILDREN'S ALBUM

WINNER: Justine Clarke - The Justine Clarke Show! (ABC KIDS/Universal Music Australia)

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Lah-Lah - 10th Birthday Party (Stella Projects/Sony Music)

Sam Moran - Santa's Coming! (Sony Music)

Teeny Tiny Stevies - Helpful Songs For Little People (ABC KIDS/Universal Music Australia)
The Wiggles - Wiggle Pop! (ABC KIDS/Universal Music Australia)

PUBLIC VOTED AWARDS

APPLE MUSIC SONG OF THE YEAR

WINNER: 5 Seconds Of Summer - Youngblood (Capitol UK/EMI)

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Amy Shark - I Said Hi (Wonderlick Recording Company)
Angus & Julia Stone - Chateau (Angus & Julia Stone Pty Ltd/EMI)
Conrad Sewell - Healing Hands (Sony Music)
Dean Lewis - Be Alright (Island Records Australia/Universal Music Australia)
Peking Duk - Fire/Reprisal (Sony Music)
Pnau - Go Bang (etcetc Music)
Sheppard - Coming Home (Chugg Music/MGM)
Troye Sivan - My My My! (EMI)
Vance Joy - Lay It On Me (Liberation Records)

BEST VIDEO

WINNER: Dean Lewis - Be Alright (Island Records Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Amy Shark - I Said Hi (Wonderlick Recording Company)
Client Liaison - Survival In The City (Warner Music Australia Pty Ltd)
Courtney Barnett - Need A Little Time (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)
Dean Lewis - Be Alright (Island Records Australia/Universal Music Australia)
Gang Of Youths - The Heart Is A Muscle (Mosy Recordings/Sony Music)
Mojo Juju - Native Tongue (ABC Music/Universal Music Australia)
Peking Duk - Fire (Sony Music)
Pnau - Go Bang (etcetc Music)
Tash Sultana - Salvation (Lonely Lands Records/Sony Music)
The Presets - Do What You Want (Modular/EMI)

BEST AUSTRALIAN LIVE ACT

WINNER: 5 Seconds Of Summer - Meet You There Tour (Capitol UK/EMI)

5 Seconds Of Summer - Meet You There Tour (Capitol UK/EMI)
Amy Shark - Love Monster Tour (Wonderlick Recording Company)
Client Liaison - Expo Liaison (Warner Music Australia Pty Ltd)
Courtney Barnett - Tell Me How You Really Feel National Tour (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)
Dean Lewis - 2017 National Tour (Island Records Australia/Universal Music Australia)
Gang Of Youths - 2017 National Tour (Mosy Recordings/Sony Music)
Paul Kelly - Life Is Fine Tour 2017 (EMI)
Peking Duk - The Wasted Tour (Sony Music)
Pnau - Pnau Changa Australian Tour (etcetc Music)
Tash Sultana - Homecoming Tour (Lonely Lands Records/Sony Music)

BEST INTERNATIONAL ARTIST

WINNER: Camila Cabello - Camila (Syco/Epic/Sony Music)

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Drake - Scorpion & More Life (Republic/Universal Music)

Ed Sheeran - ÷ (Warner Music)

Eminem - Revival & Kamikaze (Interscope/Universal Music)

Imagine Dragons - Evolve (Interscope/Universal Music)

Khalid - American Teen (RCA/Sony Music)

P!nk - Beautiful Trauma (RCA/Sony Music)

Post Malone - Beerbongs & Bentleys & Stoney (Universal Music)

Sam Smith - The Thrill Of It All (Capitol/EMI)

Taylor Swift - Reputation (Big Machine/Universal Music)

MUSIC TEACHER OF THE YEAR

WINNER: Scott Maxwell (Grant High School, Mount Gambier SA 5209)

Becky Hall (Education Institute, Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne VIC 3052)

Scott Maxwell (Grant High School, Mount Gambier SA 5209)

Dean Harawira (Nerang State High School, Gold Coast QLD 4211)

Deborah Skelton (Caladenia Primary School, Canning Vale WA 6155)

2018 ARTISAN AWARDS

BEST COVER ART

WINNER: Caiti Baker for Gurrumul - Djarimirri (Child Of The Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Steve Wyper for **Amy Shark** - Love Monster (Wonderlick Recording Company)

Dean Hanson for **Ball Park Music** - Good Mood (Stop Start (Label)/Inertia (Distributor))

Caiti Baker for **Gurrumul** - Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Ben Lopez for **Tash Sultana** - Flow State (Lonely Lands Records/Sony Music)

Jonathan Zawada for **The Presets** - Hi Viz (Modular/EMI)

ENGINEER OF THE YEAR

WINNER: Burke Reid For Courtney Barnett - Tell Me How You Really Feel (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)

Dann Hume & M Phazes for **Amy Shark** - I Said Hi (Wonderlick Recording Company)

Sam Cromack for **Ball Park Music** - Good Mood (Stop Start (Label)/Inertia (Distributor))

Burke Reid for **Courtney Barnett** - Tell Me How You Really Feel (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)

Ted Howard, Robin Mai & Matthew Cunliffe for **Gurrumul** - Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Holly Rankin, Xavier Dunn, John Castle for **Jack River** - Sugar Mountain (I OH YOU)

PRODUCER OF THE YEAR

WINNER: Dann Hume & M Phazes for Amy Shark - I Said Hi (Wonderlick Recording Company)

Dann Hume & M Phazes for **Amy Shark** - I Said Hi (Wonderlick Recording Company)

Ball Park Music for **Ball Park Music** - Good Mood (Stop Start (Label)/Inertia (Distributor))

Courtney Barnett, Dan Luscombe & Burke Reid for Courtney Barnett - Tell Me How You Really Feel (Milk! Records/Remote Control Records)

Michael Hohnen for Gurrumul - Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Tash Sultana for Tash Sultana - Flow State (Lonely Lands Records/Sony Music)

2018 FINE ARTS AWARDS

BEST CLASSICAL ALBUM

WINNER: Slava Grigoryan - Bach Cello Suites Volume II (ABC Classics/Universal)

Greta Bradman, Adelaide Symphony Orchestra, Adelaide Chamber Singers, Luke Dollman - Home (Decca Classics Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Ray Chen - The Golden Age (Decca Classics Australia/Universal Music Australia)

Sally Whitwell - Philip Glass: Complete Etudes For Solo Piano (ABC Classics/Universal Music Australia)

Slava Grigoryan - Bach Cello Suites Volume II (ABC Classics/Universal Music Australia)

Tamara-Anna Cislowska, Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra, Johannes Fritzs - Into Silence: Pärt | Vasks | Górecki | Pelēcis (ABC Classics/Universal Music Australia)

BEST JAZZ ALBUM

WINNER: Jonathan Zwartz - Animarum (Jonathan Zwartz/Planet/MGM)

Barney McAll - Hearing The Blood (Extra Celestial Arts)

Elixir feat. Katie Noonan - Gratitude And Grief (KIN MUSIC/Universal Music Australia)

Jake Mason Trio - The Stranger In The Mirror (Soul Messin' Records/Inertia Music)

James Morrison, Patti Austin, Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, Benjamin Northey - Ella And Louis (ABC Jazz/Universal Music Australia)

Jonathan Zwartz - Animarum (Jonathan Zwartz/Planet/MGM)

BEST WORLD MUSIC ALBUM

WINNER: Gurrumul - Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Gurrumul - Djarimirri (Child of the Rainbow) (SFM/MGM)

Joseph Tawadros - The Bluebird, The Mystic and The Fool (Independent/Planet)

Melbourne Ska Orchestra - Ska Classics (ABC Music/FOUR FOUR/Universal Music Australia)

Mista Savona - Havana Meets Kingston (ABC Music/Universal Music Australia)

Xylouris White - Mother (ABC Music/Universal Music Australia)

BEST COMEDY RELEASE

WINNER: Bridie and Wyatt, Tonightly With Tom Ballard - Sex Pest (ABC Music/Universal)

Akmal Saleh - Transparent (Universal Sony Pictures Home Entertainment)

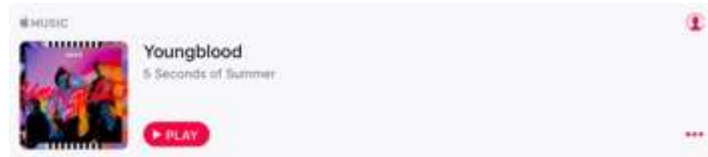
Aunty Donna - Aunty Donna The Album (etcetc Music)

Lawrence Mooney - Moonman (Universal Sony Pictures Home Entertainment)

Luke Heggie - Tiprat (Century)

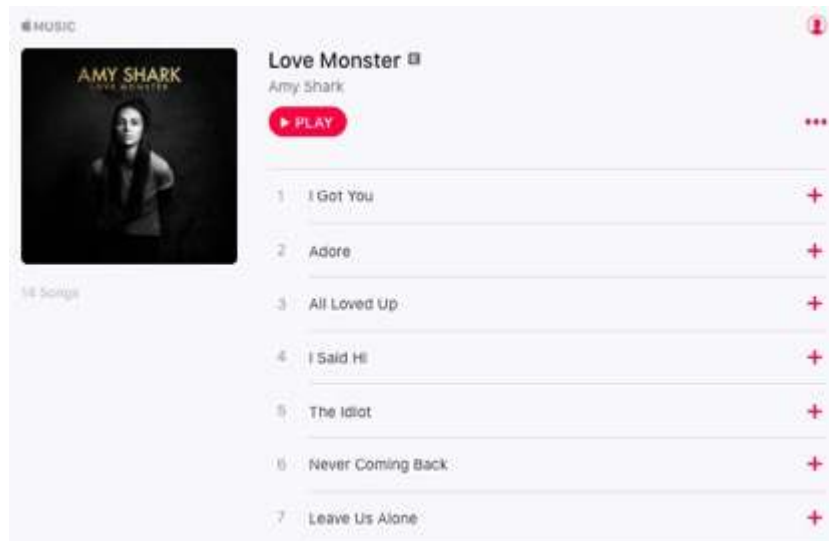
Bridie and Wyatt, Tonightly with Tom Ballard - Sex Pest (ABC Music/Universal Music Australia)

**Apple Music Song Of The Year Winner
Youngblood by 5 Seconds of Summer**



URL: <https://itunes.apple.com/au/album/youngblood/1369109074?i=1369109322>

**Apple Music Album Of The Year Winner
Amy Shark for Love Monster**



URL: <https://itunes.apple.com/au/album/love-monster/1368525652>

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