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**GEORGE EZRA CONFIRMED TO PERFORM AT THE 2018 ARIA
AWARDS WITH APPLE MUSIC**

PRESENTERS REVEALED TODAY

ONLY 6 MORE SLEEPS TO GO

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

With only six more sleeps until the **2018 ARIA Awards with Apple Music**, we are thrilled to announce that British singer-songwriter **George Ezra** whose smash hit **'Shotgun'** was the Number One song on the ARIA Chart for 5 weeks will be performing at the 2018 ARIA Awards with Apple Music. You can catch the Awards ceremony from The Star, Sydney on Wednesday 28th November, broadcast on the Nine Network. Fans can also preview all the action on the ARIA Red Carpet presented by **Swarovski** and hosted by **Tanya Hennessy** and **Angus O'Loughlin** from **2:00 pm** AEDT live on **Twitter**.

George Ezra says, *"I'm very honoured and flattered to be invited to return to Australia to play the 2018 ARIA Awards with Apple Music. I've been preparing a very special performance of "Shotgun" for you guys, and I'm so excited to share it with you. Hopefully, I will see you all there!"*

Dan Rosen, ARIA Chief Executive says, *"Off the back of his smash hit Shotgun, that spent 5 weeks at #1 on the ARIA Charts, we are thrilled to welcome George Ezra to Sydney to join us in celebrating the 2018 ARIAs with a very special performance. Fans are in for a treat."*

George Ezra most recently launched his way to the top of the ARIA singles chart with his 3x Platinum accredited hit **'Shotgun'**, becoming his first ever #1 single in Australia where it spent 5 consecutive weeks in the top spot, as well as 4 consecutive weeks at #1 on The Music Network's Airplay Chart. Since release, it has accumulated over 23 million streams and 40,000 downloads in Australia alone. Taken from his highly acclaimed sophomore album **STAYING AT TAMARA'S** released in March this year, the track has also officially been named the biggest song of the summer in the UK by the Official Charts Company.

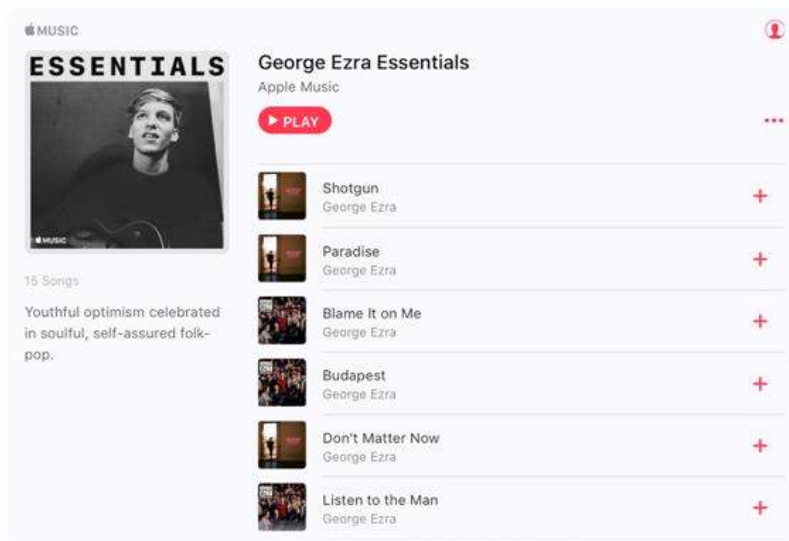
In his weekly newsletter from his US tour last month, **George** stated, *"I've been receiving bits of news from back home, 'Shotgun' is absolutely flying over in Australia & New Zealand which is the most exciting news imaginable. Our last shows over there were brilliant (if I may say so myself), for those of you reading this down-under, this kid loves ya."*

Stream or buy **STAYING AT TAMARA'S** [HERE](#).

In a little more than eighteen months, **George's** debut album **WANTED ON VOYAGE** took him from being a virtually unknown artist to one of the most recent international breakthrough artists: hitting the Top 10 Album charts in 10 countries, three sold-out UK tours, four BRIT nominations, one BBC Music award and an Ivor Novello Award.

In Australia, **WANTED ON VOYAGE** is certified Platinum and landed in top 5 on the ARIA Album Charts, and in addition, his smash hit **'Budapest'** achieved 5x certified Platinum status, and also reached the Top 5 on the ARIA Charts. The acclaimed singer's single **'Blame It On Me'** is certified 2x Platinum and reached the Top 10 ARIA Singles Chart.

Embed George Ezra's Apple Music Essentials Playlist



URL: <https://itunes.apple.com/au/playlist/george-ezra-essentials/pl.3c5bcecf20ea4f4db6fe5c6fd7be9c43>



Today also sees the first and final announcement of the Australian and International stars who will be presenting on the night. The assembly of artists and entertainers now also include ARIA Award winner and one half of A.B. Original **Briggs**, critically acclaimed singer-songwriter **Conrad Sewell**, lead singer of Gang Of Youths **Dave Le'aupepe**, International singer-songwriter **George Ezra**, ARIA Award winner **Jessica Mauboy**, Australian rock icon **Jimmy Barnes**, Grammy award winner **Mýa**, ARIA Hall Of Fame inductee **Paul Kelly**, ARIA Nominees and 2017 winners **Peking Duk**, US musician **Richard Marx**, Global superstar **Rita Ora**, Song of The Year nominee and #1 ARIA Album charting band **Sheppard**, NOVA's **Smallzy** from Smallzy's Surgery, Australian sweetheart **Sophie Monk**, **Stephen Kilbey** frontman from ARIA Hall of Famers The Church, award-winning country

musician **Troy Cassar-Daley**, two time ARIA Award winner **Troye Sivan**, multi-Platinum artist **Vance Joy**, triple j's dynamic duo **Veronica & Lewis** and Apple Music Beats 1 DJ **Zane Lowe**.

They will join Australia's very own **Keith Urban** on his return to the ARIA stage for the first time in over a decade. It was announced earlier this year that **Urban** will be returning home to host the 32nd Annual ARIA Awards. His unprecedented history as a multiple ARIA and Grammy Award-winning artist make him the natural choice as host, a role he is undertaking for the first time.

THE PRESENTERS JOIN AN ALL-STAR LINE UP OF AUSTRALIAN AND INTERNATIONAL PERFORMERS THAT WILL GRACE THE ARIA STAGE

PRESENTERS

BRIGGS

DAVE LE'AUPEPE

GEORGE EZRA

JESSICA MAUBOY

JIMMY BARNES

MYA

PAUL KELLY

PEKING DUK

RICHARD MARX

RICHARD WILKINS

RITA ORA

SHEPPARD

SMALLZY

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5 SECONDS OF SUMMER

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COURTNEY BARNETT

DEAN LEWIS

GEORGE EZRA

KASEY CHAMBERS

KEITH URBAN

RITA ORA

RED CARPET HOST BY

**TANYA HENNESSY
ANGUS O'LOUGHLIN**

HOW TO CELEBRATE THE #ARIAS ON TWITTER

Twitter has launched ten new custom emojis for the **ARIA's** 'Best International Artist' nominees including. Unlocking the emojis is easy! Just use the below artist hashtags and it will appear in your Tweet so you can show support for your favourite artists and add a little colour to your Tweets.

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