



The Veronicas, Faker and Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu Set to Light up the Stage General Public Tickets Selling Fast!

FOR RELEASE AND UNDER EMBARGO UNTIL: Monday, 6 October, 2008: The countdown is on! With just two weeks until the 2008 ARIA Awards, proudly presented by Motorola, blaze into the Australian music history books, organisers are delighted to announce three additional live performers who will join **SAM SPARRO, THE LIVING END, GABRIELLA CILMI, THE PRESETS** and **P!NK** on Sunday 19 October at Acer Arena.

Hot on the heels of winning his first individual ARIA Award (for **BEST WORLD MUSIC ALBUM**) at last Monday's ARIA Fine Arts Awards, event organisers are proud to announce that the angelic **GEOFFREY GURRUMUL YUNUPINGU** will perform at the ARIA Awards on Sunday 19 October. His stunning debut solo album *Gurrumul* has received 4 ARIA Award nominations (plus 1 ARIA Artisan Award nomination) and has, quite simply, set fans and critics alight. **GEOFFREY GURRUMUL YUNUPINGU** is nominated in the categories of **BEST INDEPENDENT RELEASE, BEST MALE ARTIST** and for the coveted **ALBUM OF THE YEAR**. The ARIA voting academy has reinforced the high praise he has received from music critics around the nation such as this from the Sydney Morning Herald, "*Listen to Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu and you will surrender to the greatest voice this continent has ever recorded.*"

At the other end of the music spectrum is dynamic duo **THE VERONICAS**, who will bring their sassy pop smarts to the 2008 ARIA Awards. The ARIA Award winning twins Jess and Lisa Origliasso from sunny Queensland have received 4 nominations in the categories of **BEST POP RELEASE** (*Hook Me Up*), **HIGHEST SELLING ALBUM** (*Hook Me Up*) and two nominations in the **HIGHEST SELLING SINGLE** category for *Hook Me Up* and *Untouched*.

And magnetic Sydney outfit **FAKER** will make their maiden ARIA Awards appearance off the back of 3 nominations (plus 1 ARIA Artisan Award nomination) for their album *Be The Twilight* and the smash hit single *This Heart Attack*. They are represented in the categories of **BEST ROCK ALBUM, BEST GROUP** and **SINGLE OF THE YEAR**. Fans of Faker's eclectic, chaotic danceability, which mixes 80s influences with the raw mania of twenty-first century life, won't be disappointed!

In what will be a super-charged night of nights for the Australian music industry **SAM SPARRO, THE LIVING END, GABRIELLA CILMI, THE PRESETS, FAKER, THE VERONICAS, GEOFFREY GURRUMUL YUNUPINGU** and **P!NK** join hosts **HAMISH & ANDY** and ARIA Awards veteran **JAMES MATHISON**. Stay tuned for details of guest presenters who will be announced in the coming weeks.

With general public tickets selling fast, punters are urged to act quickly! Remaining tickets for the 2008 ARIA Awards are available from Ticketek - www.ticketek.com.au or Phone 132 849.

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2008 ARIA AWARDS
Proudly brought to you by Motorola
Sunday, 19 October, 2008
Acer Arena, Sydney Olympic Park

Featuring live performances by **SAM SPARRO, THE LIVING END, GABRIELLA CILMI, THE PRESETS, FAKER, THE VERONICAS, GEOFFREY GURRUMUL YUNUPINGU** and **P!NK**
Hosted by **HAMISH** and **ANDY** along with **JAMES MATHISON** and presenters to be announced

Broadcast exclusively on Network Ten from 7.30pm

Tune in to MTV at the 2008 ARIA Awards Red Carpet exclusively on MTV on Sunday, 19 October at 6.30pm.

GENERAL PUBLIC TICKETS:

Limited tickets on sale now from Ticketek - www.ticketek.com.au or Phone 132 849

Main Concourse 'Premium' - *\$65.00

Club Level 'A reserve' - *\$60.00

Upper Concourse 'B Reserve' - *\$40.00

*All prices include GST and booking fees, but transaction fees apply.

INDUSTRY TICKETS:

For all enquiries please contact Neha Potalia - neha@markpopemusic.com

Platinum - \$495.00 incl GST

Gold - \$445.00 incl GST

Silver - \$395.00 incl GST

Stay tuned for updates on presenters, special guests and all the latest ARIA Awards news or check the official website:

www.ariaawards.com.au

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