

Performers and Presenters Set To Light Up The Stage

Sydney, Australia - Tuesday, 19 October, 2010: With industry and general public tickets on sale now, it's time to reveal some of the special performances and guest presenters who will light up the stage at the 2010 ARIA Awards on Sunday, 7 November at the Sydney Opera House. Broadcast by Network Ten at 8.30pm on Sunday, 7 November, tickets to the event are selling fast, with organisers expecting to put up the sold-out sign at the iconic venue.

Pop singer Natalie Bassingthwaighte, who recently gave birth to her first child, will make a rare appearance as co-host at the ARIA Awards. Currently taking some time out from music duties, Natalie dedicated her most recent single, *Love Like This*, to celebrate the "Wear it with Pride" campaign and will give all of her profits from the single, to the ongoing support of the LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender) community.

Joining Natalie as the night's co-host is *Video Hits*' and Nova 100 presenter, **Dylan Lewis**. An avid music fan and musician himself, Dylan first came to prominence as host of ABC TV's Saturday morning music-fest, Recovery, and joined Video Hits at the beginning of 2010.

Adelaide born, New York based pop sensation Sia will bring her quirky, upbeat sound to the ARIA Awards stage in a rare Australian television performance. Scoring six nominations for her sensational album We Are Born (including nominations for ALBUM OF THE YEAR and SINGLE OF THE YEAR), expect the unexpected when this offbeat, talented singer / songwriter hits the stage. Clap your hands indeed!

They're the hottest duo in the country and now the heavily nominated **Angus & Julia Stone** are set to bring their folk / pop magic to the **2010 ARIA Awards** stage in a special performance. Nominated for six **ARIA Awards**, including the coveted **ALBUM OF THE YEAR** for their second album *Down The Way*, get set for gorgeous harmonies set against a background of faraway guitar and strings.

Also performing at the **2010 ARIA Awards** is multiple nominee, **John Butler Trio**. Performing material from the number one album *April Uprising*, the band will bring the trademark electric, spontaneous energy that makes them such an entertaining live act. With five nominations under their belt including a nod in the **BEST MALE ARTIST** category for leader **John Butler**, this trio is set to kick major musical butt when they hit the **ARIA Awards** stage.

Super star on the rise **Washington** will perform at the **2010 ARIA Awards.** Her debut album, *I* **Believe You Liar**, has impressed music fans and the ARIA voting academy alike - to the tune of six nominations (including **SINGLE OF THE YEAR** and **ALBUM OF THE YEAR**). With her clever, piano led pop music and brilliant vocal range be prepared to be dazzled by the brilliance of singer/songwriter **Washington**.

Rounding out this first performer announcement is West Australia's very own **Birds of Tokyo** recently home from a sold out national theatre tour. The Perth quartet recorded their self titled, third album between Sydney, London, Gothenburg and New York. The band gave themselves the most surreal and inspiring recording experience and the results have scored them six nominations including nods in the categories of **BEST ROCK ALBUM, SINGLE OF THE YEAR** and **BEST GROUP**.

Taking on DJ duties, both on air and for the audience at the 2010 ARIA Awards, is sister act Nervo. Currently based in the UK and New York, the super talented Liv and Mim Nervo are constantly writing/producing/DJing all across the globe. On the songwriting front Nervo have more recently written and vocally produced Put Your Hands Up (If You Feel Love) for ARIA nominee Kylie Minogue. They also wrote and vocally produced David Guetta's Grammy Award winning single featuring Kelly Rowland, When Love Takes Over. With extensive songwriting and production credits under their belt and their own music career on the rise, their appearance at the ARIA Awards will be one sweet homecoming.

















Australian actress, writer, and stand-up comedienne **Rebel Wilson** will add a presenting role at the **2010 ARIA Awards** to her extensive CV. Known for her roles in the television series *Pizza* and *Bogan Pride*, she is making serious inroads in the US, having been cast in a role in the upcoming Judd Apatow film *Bridesmaids*. 2010 has been a big year for Rebel - she has guest starred on the CBS sitcom *Rules of Engagement* and the new Comedy Central series, *Workaholics*.

Special guest presenters on the night will feature Yumi Stynes, co-host of Network Ten's *The Circle* and, fresh from his Commonwealth Games triumph, swimming comeback king Geoff Huegill will dive onto the ARIA Awards stage as a guest presenter. *Australia's Next Top Model* winner Amanda Ware and runner-up Kelsey Martinovich will also grace the ARIA Awards stage as special guest presenters as will model Lara Bingle and MTV's Ruby Rose, Darren McMullen and Erin McNaught. With an impressive body of work that encompasses dance, television, film, comedy and theatre, Carmen Electra will also make a special appearance at the 2010 ARIA Awards.

With additional performances and further special guest presenters to be announced, fans can expect as unique a broadcast as ever with the presentation of eleven ARIA Awards, incredible production values and a perfect backdrop that promises to deliver a cracking event. With a number of ticketing options available, including the opportunity to experience the red carpet, tickets for the 2010 ARIA Awards are on sale and selling fast!

The **2010 ARIA Awards** is a FremantleMedia Australia production for the Australian Recording Industry Association.

For a full list of 2010 ARIA Award finalists please go to www.ariaawards.com.au.

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