



## THE INDUSTRY SELLS OUT ... BUT THE KIDS ARE ALRIGHT!!!

Operator Please, Gotye and Kate Miller-Heidke set to perform at 2007 ARIA Awards  
Delta Goodrem, Darren Hayes, Ben Lee, The Chaser boys and Dave Hughes line up as  
presenters

**UNDER MEDIA EMBARGO UNTIL THURSDAY, 11 OCTOBER, 2007:** With a little under three weeks until the Australian music industry's night of nights, ARIA (Australian Recording Industry Association) confirmed today that all the Industry tickets are sold out. General public ticket sales, while selling strongly, are still available.

ARIA is proud to announce additional performers and presenters who will take part in the 2007 ARIA Awards to be held at Acer Arena, Sydney Olympic Park. The 2007 ARIA Awards, proudly brought to you by Motorola, will be held on **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28** and will be exclusively telecast by broadcast partner Network Ten from 8.30pm that night with a 30 minute Red Carpet special to air at 7.00pm hosted by **JAMES MATHISON** with **HAMISH + ANDY**.

With live performances already announced by **POWDERFINGER, SILVERCHAIR, JOHN BUTLER TRIO, MISSY HIGGINS** and **SNEAKY SOUND SYSTEM**, organisers can confirm that multiple ARIA nominee **GOTYE** (pronounced Gore-ti-yeah!) will perform live at the awards. The multi-talented musician, writer and producer **GOTYE** (aka Wally de Backer), has scored 4 ARIA Award nominations (Best Male Artist, Best Independent Release, Best Dance Release and Album of the Year plus 2 Artisan Award nominations) for '*Mixed Blood*', a remix album of songs from his extraordinarily successful sophomore release '*Like Drawing Blood*'. Made on a shoestring budget and independently released without any traditional marketing, Gotye's success is proof that the cream always rises to the top.

The captivating **KATE MILLER-HEIDKE** whose debut album '*Little Eve*' landed her 4 ARIA Award nominations (plus 1 Artisan Award nomination) - in the categories of **Best Female Artist, Breakthrough Artist - Single, Breakthrough Artist - Album** and **Best Pop Release** - will bring her unique style to the ARIA Awards stage. Her beautifully crafted debut album was delivered earlier this year to overwhelming critical response, with the album debuting at #11 on the National Motorola ARIA Album Chart on release. The first single from '*Words*' soon caught the attention of media across the country and introduced fans to Kate's unique and eclectic style. Her current single '*Make It Last*' is another up-tempo pop song that features Kate's signature vocals and gorgeous melody. With a national tour slated for November / December, the divine Ms Kate Miller-Heidke will be one to watch at the 2007 ARIA Awards.

Formed at Elenora High (Gold Coast, QLD) in 2005 during chess class, young upstarts **OPERATOR PLEASE** will ditch their school uniforms to perform live at the ARIA Awards. Nominated twice (Best Pop Release and Breakthrough Artist - Single + 1 Artisan Award) for the infuriatingly catchy single '*Just A Song About Ping Pong*', the song hit number 12 on the ARIA chart here and number 1 on the UK MTV chart. With a new single '*Get What You Want*' (released October 27<sup>th</sup>), a new album titled '*Yes Yes Vindictive*' (released through EMI on November 10<sup>th</sup>) and a major national tour to kick off in November, the future's so bright they'll have to wear shades. In the meantime, all eyes are on the 2007 ARIA Awards. Who knows? They may take home an ARIA Award before they take home their High School Certificate!

Host **ROVE McMANUS** will be joined on stage by **JAMES MATHISON** and guest presenters including **DELTA GOODREM, BEN LEE, CRAIG REUCASSEL, CHRIS TAYLOR** and **DAVE HUGHES**.

The winner of no less than 7 ARIA Awards, **DELTA GOODREM**, will take her turn on the other side of the podium at the 2007 Awards. With a hot new single *In This Life* (debuted at # 1 and still going strong), a hot new look and a hot new, self titled album due for release on October 20<sup>th</sup>, the darling of the Australian music industry will make a welcome return to the ARIA stage.





Also no stranger to winning multiple ARIA Awards, the talented singer/songwriter **DARREN HAYES** will also make a special appearance at the 2007 ARIA Awards. With his current album '*This Delicate Thing We've Made*' out now and a new single '*Me, Myself and I*' released on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, Darren is about to embark on his *Time Machine* tour of Australia.

Former ARIA Award winner and citizen of the world **BEN LEE** will have an ARIA homecoming off the back of brand new album '*Ripe*' and the breathtakingly catchy single '*Love Me Like the World is Ending*'. Here on an Australian tour, Ben will take time out to appear at the ARIA Awards before heading back to the US for a run of live shows.

Lock up your daughters! **CRAIG REUCASSEL** and **CHRIS TAYLOR** from the top rating water cooler program *The Chasers War on Everything* will dish it up at the 2007 ARIA Awards. Best known for pranks which include cross dressing, play acting and musical spoofs these errant sons of satire are guaranteed to set tongues wagging.

And last but certainly not least, everyone's favourite Aussie comedian **DAVE HUGHES** will be back to entertain at the 2007 ARIA Awards. He might have the laconic drawl but he also has one of the fastest comic minds this country has ever seen. We love ya Hughesy!

Tickets for the 2007 ARIA Awards are selling like the proverbial hotcakes with Industry tickets already sold out in record time. General Admission tickets for the general public are also moving fast with just under 2,000 left available.

Stand by for further announcements in the coming weeks.

#### 2007 ARIA AWARDS KEY DATES:

**Monday, October 15, 2007** - ARIA Fine Arts Awards, Sydney's Conservatorium of Music

**Sunday, October 28, 2007** - 2007 ARIA Awards, Acer Arena, Sydney Olympic Park

## 2007 ARIA AWARDS

Proudly brought to you by Motorola  
Sunday, October 28, 2007  
Acer Arena, Sydney Olympic Park

Broadcast exclusively on Network Ten from 8.30pm

Featuring POWDERFINGER, SILVERCHAIR, MISSY HIGGINS, JOHN BUTLER TRIO, SNEAKY SOUND SYSTEM, GOTYE, OPERATOR PLEASE, KATE MILLER-HEIDKE, ROVE McMANUS, JAMES MATHISON, DELTA GOODREM, DARREN HAYES, BEN LEE, CRAIG REUCASSEL, CHRIS TAYLOR and DAVE HUGHES

#### GENERAL PUBLIC TICKETS:

On sale now from Ticketek - [www.ticketek.com.au](http://www.ticketek.com.au) or Phone 132 489

Main Concourse 'Premium' - \*\$60.00

Club Level 'A reserve' - \*\$55.00

Upper Concourse 'B Reserve' - \*\$35.00

All prices including booking fees, but transaction fees apply.

#### INDUSTRY TICKETS:

If you wish to be waitlisted, please contact Neha Potalia - [neha@markpopemusic.com](mailto:neha@markpopemusic.com)





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

[www.ariaawards.com.au](http://www.ariaawards.com.au)

For Media Information on the 2007 ARIA Awards please contact:

Ferris Davies PRM

Phone: (02) 9555 5807 / Fax: (02) 9555 5084

Rina Ferris: [rina@ferrisdaviesprm.com.au](mailto:rina@ferrisdaviesprm.com.au)

Katie Hardwick: [katie@ferrisdaviesprm.com.au](mailto:katie@ferrisdaviesprm.com.au)

General Enquiries: [ARIAAwards@ferrisdaviesprm.com.au](mailto:ARIAAwards@ferrisdaviesprm.com.au)

or Network Ten publicity:

Megan Rose: [mrose@networkten.com.au](mailto:mrose@networkten.com.au) / (02) 9650 1226

For Media Information on the 2007 ARIA Fine Arts Awards, please contact:

Steven Godbee - Steven Godbee Publicity

Ph: (02) 9362 5405 / Email: [sgpublicity@bigpond.com](mailto:sgpublicity@bigpond.com)

