



FINAL ROUND OF AUSTRALIAN PERFORMERS AND A FIRST LOOK AT CONFIRMED PRESENTERS FOR THE 2017 ARIA AWARDS WITH APPLE MUSIC

The 2017 **ARIA Awards** with **Apple Music** are thrilled to announce the final line-up of Australian performers who will be gracing this year's **ARIA's** stage, along with a first taste of presenters that will be part of the show at **The Star Event Centre, Sydney** on **Tuesday, November 28th**.

The final round of Australian performers include 'Apple Music Album Of The Year' nominee **Paul Kelly**, 'Breakthrough Artist' nominee **Amy Shark**, and 'Best Male Artist' nominee **Dan Sultan**. Audiences will also be treated to a very special Hall Of Fame performance by the legendary **Daryl Braithwaite**. These acts will be joining **A.B. Original**, **Gang Of Youths**, **Jessica Mauboy**, **Peking Duk** and **Pnau** to deliver exciting, diverse and memorable performances for 2017.

The internet was sent into a frenzy with the news of global superstars **Harry Styles** and **Lorde** returning to the **ARIA's** stage, amidst their visits down under for the sold-out Australian leg of their world tours.

A cavalcade of stars will also be part of the **ARIA Awards** this year with a list of incredible artists who will present on the night, including: world renowned British musician, drummer and co founder of **Fleetwood Mac**, **Mick Fleetwood**, star of 80's super group **Culture Club** and one of the music scene's most iconic artists and coach on TV show, **The Voice Australia & UK**, **Boy George**, Australian Grammy award winner and twelve-time **ARIA Award** winner **Flume**, and #1 best selling Author for his memoir '**Working Class Boy**', and the heart and soul of Australian rock & roll **Jimmy Barnes**. One of pop music's most in demand songwriters and US double-platinum artist, **Julia Michaels** and singer-songwriter and two-time 2017 ARIA award nominee **Vance Joy** are also set to announce **ARIA Awards** winners.

FIRST ROUND PRESENTERS

BOY GEORGE

FLUME

JIMMY BARNES

JULIA MICHAELS

MICK FLEETWOOD

VANCE JOY

**INTRODUCING THE NEXT ROUND OF AUSTRALIAN PERFORMERS AT THE 2017
ARIA AWARDS WITH APPLE MUSIC**



PAUL KELLY

Nominated in 7 categories (Apple Music Album Of The Year, Best Male Artist, Best Adult Contemporary Album, Best Blues & Roots Album, Producer Of The Year, Engineer Of The Year, Best Cover Art)

Winner in 2 Artisan Categories: (Engineer Of The Year, Best Cover Art)

1997 **ARIA Hall Of Fame** inductee **Paul Kelly**, one of Australia's most loved and esteemed artists, has this year received an impressive seven nominations. He has also already taken home two **ARIA** awards in the Artisan Categories, for 'Engineer Of The Year' and 'Best Cover Art', for his 23rd studio album "**Life Is Fine**".

These nominations give **Paul Kelly** a remarkable **ARIA Awards** career tally of 51 nominations and 12 Award wins to date.

Paul Kelly's new record "**Life Is Fine**" debuted at #1 on the **ARIA** charts, and has remained in the top 40 ever since! It has been in the **ARIA Chart's** Top 10 Australian Albums for the past thirteen weeks, and is well on its way to becoming the biggest selling Australian album of the year, behind **Keith Urban** and **Tina Arena**.

"**Life Is Fine**" is **Kelly's** first **ARIA #1** album, after releasing 23 studio albums and a 40-year career in music. This critically acclaimed record is one of his strongest and most evocative yet, showcasing a stellar songwriter who is in firm command of his craft.

Capturing the vastness of Australian culture and landscape with his trademark bluegrass mixed with folk-rock, **Paul Kelly** is currently on his national "**Life Is Fine**" tour, playing to full houses across Australia with two massive Sydney Opera House forecourt shows on **Sunday, November 19th** and **Monday, November 20th**.



AMY SHARK

Nominated in 6 categories (Apple Music Album Of The Year, Best Female Artist, Breakthrough Artist, Best Pop Release, Best Video, Apple Music Song Of The Year)

Having just wrapped her US tour with **Vance Joy**, Gold Coast's **Amy Shark** is one of the emerging artists who burst into the Australian music scene over the past twelve months and has been recognised for her works with an impressive 6 nominations. She'll be returning to Australian shores just in time for the award ceremony and an awesome live performance on the night.

2017's "**Night Thinker**" EP peaked at #2 on the ARIA charts, and breakthrough single '**Adore**' placed #2 on triple j's Hottest 100 and peaked at #3 on the **ARIA** Singles chart, which has continued to propel **Amy Shark** into success. The single has since surpassed 40 million combined streams worldwide and earned double platinum status. The six **ARIA** nominations for her EP and single are certainly the culmination of a whirlwind 18 months for this Gold Coast singer-songwriter.



DAN SULTAN

Nominated in 3 categories (Best Male Artist, Best Independent Release, Best Rock Album)

Dan Sultan earned three nominations for his fourth studio album "**Killer**", his rich and soulful voice spilling all sorts of guts and glory over memorable rock, roots and blues hooks. Having just come off the "**Killer**" Album Tour, playing some of his biggest venues to date across 11 metro and regional cities backed by his incredible band, **Dan Sultan** is enjoying widespread critical acclaim, with media and fans alike hailing it as his most ambitious and accomplished work to date.

The album marks **Sultan's** second time in the **ARIA Top 5** – his last album "**Blackbird**" debuted at #4, earned the Melbourne artist the 'Best Rock Album' accolade at the **ARIA Awards** in 2014, and gained gold status.



DARYL BRAITHWAITE

One of the great icons of the Australian music industry **Daryl Braithwaite** will be inducted into the 2017 **ARIA Hall Of Fame** and will treat fans to a very special performance on the night. **Braithwaite's** extraordinary career spans over 45 years, with an impressive discography including two multi-platinum albums, "**Edge**" and "**Rise.**" His interpretation of Rickie Lee Jones' '**The Horses**' has gone on to become one of his signature song and one of Australia's most loved anthems.

Now 64 years young, **Braithwaite** shows no signs of slowing down, after sending the internet into meltdown with his appearance on the 2017/18 Falls Festival lineup. **Braithwaite** will release The Definitive Hits Collection "**Days Go By**" on **November 24th**, and is also set to tour Australia with fellow ARIA 'Hall Of Fame' inductee **John Farnham** on the 2018 '**Red Hot Summer Tour**'.

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