







Media Alert - Wednesday 25 November, 2015

Stars to Shine on Seven, Birds of Tokyo to Perform at Australia's Top Film and Television Awards

The countdown to Australia's biggest celebration of screen is on, with the Australian Academy of Cinema and Television Arts (AACTA) today announcing top film and television artists to present at its star-studded Awards Ceremony, held in Sydney and broadcast on Channel Seven.

The 5th AACTA Awards Ceremony presented by Presto will see **Radha Mitchell**, **Daniel MacPherson**, **Elizabeth Debicki**, **Stephen Curry**, **Miranda Tapsell**, **Courtney Eaton** and **Stephen Peacocke** present AACTA Awards to outstanding screen practitioners and performers.

Presenters also include **Patrick Brammall**, whose performance in **RUBEN GUTHRIE** has earned him an AACTA Award nomination for Best Lead Actor, and **HOME AND AWAY's Georgie Parker** and **Bonnie Sveen**.

Joining their fellow HOME AND AWAY cast members as guests at the Ceremony will be Kyle Pryor, Nic Westaway, George Mason, Isabella Giovinazzo, Pia Miller, Kassandra Clementi, Dan Ewing, Lisa Gormley and Will McDonald, alongside model Samantha Harris and a number of Australian screen stars including Danielle Cormack, Natalie Bassingthwaighte and Abby Earl, to name a few.

Nominees attending include **Ryan Corr**, nominated for **Best Lead Actor** (**HOLDING THE MAN**), **Hugo Weaving** who is nominated for his performance in **THE DRESSMAKER** alongside director and fellow nominee **Jocelyn Moorhouse**, and **Joel Jackson**, who is nominated for his performances in **PETER ALLEN** – **NOT THE BOY NEXT DOOR** and **DEADLINE GALLIPOLI**.

Guests and broadcast viewers will also enjoy a live performance by top Australian band, **Birds of Tokyo**, whose bittersweet rock sounds have resonated with critics and fans alike. Following four acclaimed albums, multiplatinum sales and multiple sold out tours across the county, this month **Birds of Tokyo** released '**Playlist** ... **A Singles Collection**,' which debuted in the Top 5 nationally. **Birds of Tokyo** will perform sold out shows across the country over summer.

Further presenter and entertainment announcements for the 5th AACTA Awards Ceremony presented by Presto will be made over the next fortnight, before the national broadcast on Channel Seven on Wednesday 9 December at 8.30pm and an encore on Foxtel Movies Masterpiece channel on Friday 11 December at 10.15pm.

Tickets to the Ceremony, held at The Star Event Centre in Sydney, are open to the public and industry, and are selling fast. To book, visit: <u>www.aacta.org/events</u>

The AACTA Awards are proudly supported by the New South Wales Government through its tourism and major events agency, Destination NSW.

5TH AACTA AWARDS PRESENTED BY PRESTO | THE STAR EVENT CENTRE, SYDNEY

All winners will be revealed at two major events in Sydney: the **5th AACTA Awards presented by Presto** | **Industry Dinner presented by Blue Post on Monday 30 November 2015**; and the **5th AACTA Awards** Ceremony & Official After Party presented by Presto on Wednesday 9 December 2015.

Tickets for both events can be purchased <u>here</u> on the AFI | AACTA website.

For more information about both Awards events, see the AFI | AACTA website: www.aacta.org

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