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## TOP 5 NOMINATIONS ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2010 MUSICOZ AWARDS

The Top 5 Nominations for each category have been announced for the **2010 Musicoz Awards**. They include a stellar line-up of the country's established and emerging artist's including the progeny of Australian Music Legends; **John Farnham**, **Lee Kernaghan** and **Phil Emmanuel**.

MTV will be showcasing the entire event. All the celebrities will be on show for the prestigious Red Carpet entrance, and the Award ceremony, which is jam packed with stunning live performances that is captured from all areas. A special documentary will also be broadcast, which follows some of the hopeful bands, what they have achieved through the Musicoz development programs as they aim for the top awards.

**The Next Generation** of Australian Music Legends is a showcase of talent which consists of Aussie Music Icon, **John Farnham's son; Rob Farnham** from **Lanstrum** is nominated for the Metal / Hardcore Category.

Both nominated for best country artist are **Jesse Emmanuel**, daughter of legendary guitarist **Phil Emmanuel**, and **Tania Kernaghan**, sister of Country sensation, **Lee Kernaghan**,

**Steve Balbi** from **Noiseworks** is nominated in the rock category. Steve is now a singer/song writer and producer.

**Australian Idol** winner **Natalie Gauci** is nominated for Best Live Performance and **Ricki-Lee** is nominated for Best Video.

Rising Stars nominees competing for the Best Acoustic Artist this year, are **Jack Carty** and **Emma Louise**. The Alternative category will be fought out across three states, with **The Jezabels**, the **Seabellies** and **Made in Japan** from New South Wales. **Grand Atlantic** coming from Queensland, and the **Blackchords** flying the Victorian flag.

First time nominees, **Dappled Cities** and **Mojada** both recently added successful US tours to their belts.

Well known Sydney rockers **Art vs Science**, is nominated for Best Live Performance.

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The winners of the 2010 National MusicCoz Awards will be decided on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March** at the newly revamped Sydney Town Hall. The Town Hall has just completed a major refurbishment that now boasts the most advanced new sound systems of its kind in Australia. The 2010 MusicCoz Awards will be the **FIRST EVER** performance show of its kind to be held in the Town Hall. Performances will include a combination of contemporary genres, such as; Rock, Urban, Pop, Acoustic, Classical, Jazz, Folk and Country.

**The MusicCoz Awards gives Independent and Unsigned Artists, vital recognition, support, and exposure opportunities to further their success.**

**MusicCoz Celebrates it's tenth year, as a national organization founded to support the development of Independent and Unsigned Artists in Australia.**

The independent music scene in Australia is a thriving and ever-growing part of the wider music community with **over 14,000 artists** playing more than **75,000 shows a year** and recording in excess of **85,000 songs**. **The MusicCoz – Truly Independent Awards** highlights the enormous amount of talent and diversity within the Australian music scene. The enormity of this talent can be seen when compared to the 4 Major labels having just over 140 local artists on their roster.

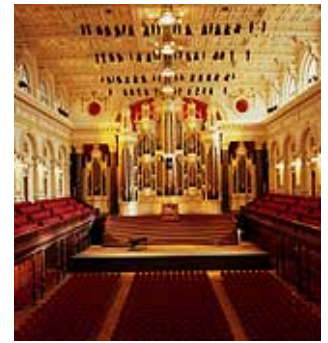
MusicCoz Awards Success Stories include; Bliss n Eso, Blue Juice, Porcelain, and Sick Puppies

Major sponsors and broadcast partners for this year include heavyweights such as MTV, Bigpond Music, NOVA, Street Press Australia, The Music Network, Rova Media, and inthemix.com.au and City of Sydney.

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## **2010 MusicCoz Awards**

### **10 Year Anniversary**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Town Hall, George Street, Sydney

George Street Red Carpet from 5pm – 7pm

Awards from 7.30pm

9 Live Performances

MTV Broadcast – Date to be announced

#### **GENERAL PUBLIC TICKETS:**

Purchase tickets from: Iwannaticket – [www.iwannaticket.com.au](http://www.iwannaticket.com.au)

Ground Floor Seating \$49 - \$89

First Floor Seating \$59 - \$79

#### **INDUSTRY TICKETS:**

On sale at 9am from [www.iwannaticket.com.au](http://www.iwannaticket.com.au)

VIP Catered Table Seating \$149 - \$300

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**Best Acoustic/Singer-Songwriter**

Emma-Louise - Chocolate  
Jack Carty – The Sailor Song  
Liam Campbell – All together now  
Mardi Pannan – Beautiful Day  
Sam Buckingham – Gravity

**Best Alternative**

Blackchords – 22  
Grand Atlantic – Coast is Clear  
Made in Japan – Oxford Decor  
The Jezabels – Disco Biscuit Love  
The Seabellies – Orange X

**Best Blues and Roots**

Anni Piper – Chasin’ Tail  
Chase The Sun – Living free  
Claude Hay – How can you live with yourself  
Dallas Frasca – Thank you for making me who I am  
The Blue Ruins – Alone

**Best Christian**

Cooking With Henry Ford – Beautiful soul  
Jeniqua – Awaken soul  
Melissa Otto – Goodbye old man  
The GMF Band – Your Grace  
The Otto Brothers – Be magnificent

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#### Best Country

Brad Cole – Come home  
Jayne Denham – Shake this town  
Jesse Emmanuel – Don't touch my guitar  
Jetty Road – Million Miles  
Tania Kernaghan – Second time around

#### Best Dance Electronica

Friends Of Mine – Can't see straight  
Mojada – Put my love on you  
Siren – Blissfull Dream  
The Vangarde – Ride it out  
Tijuana Cartel – They come

#### Best DJ

Craig Obey – Hip-ma-tiz-me  
Dj Jam / Dirty Crazy People – Turn the music up  
Dj Levi 5star – It's the weekend melt mash  
Johnny Gleeson – Poindexta  
Smacktown – Feeling Good

#### Best Instrumental

Cooking With Henry Ford – Blow your mind away  
Jane Aubourg – Finding Frangipanis  
Pete Northcote – The commencement of the system of things  
Syd Green – Canguu  
WildSeed – Goose on the loose

#### Best International

The Channel Theory – A theatre of MY own  
Dorine Levy – Falling Star  
Mark Hildrith – Magic Spell  
Bardo – Your like me A lot  
Deborah Kay – So alive

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#### Best Jazz Classical

Divine Mechanism – Bist Du Ber Mir  
Jacki Cooper – Play me  
NJ – Wonderful  
Pete Hawkes – The whispered Scream  
Sam McNally & Johanna Elms - Words

#### Best Live Performance

Art vs Science – Parlez-vous Francais  
Natalie Gauci – Best of me  
Powerage – All Stand Up  
Spacifix – Gotta Get like this  
Winston Manor – The Getaway Live

#### Best Metal / Hardcore

Black Asylum – 25 to Life  
Intrigage – Maldivide  
Lanstrum – One the same  
The Sacred Truth – Mourning Sun  
The Vaine – Bee (n) Stalking Jaque

#### Best Pop

Dappled Cities – The price  
Former Child Stars – Safe in silence  
Jordan Millar & The Question – Heavy I know  
Sunday Waits – As I did  
Vera Fernandes – All about you

#### Best Rock

Mojada - Mojada  
Steve Balbi – From Love to Dust  
Sullivan Street – Away from me  
The Ivys – Give it up  
The StickUpKids – Blame it on the Rock n Roll

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#### Best Schoolies

Alex Robotham – Free therapy  
Jordyn Griffin – Man of perfection  
Mad Intentions – Never the same  
Matt Larsen – Out of time  
Powerage – Get ready

#### Best Urban

Amali Ward - Frozen  
Glenn Cunningham – My Kinda Woman  
Kid Mac – Learn Yourself  
Natalie Conway – Gimme A Night  
Shadows – Black Diamonds

#### Best Video

Casual Projects - Time  
Kate Vigo – They way you are  
Mirrah – Space  
Radio Ink – Wish U were here  
Ricki-Lee – Don't miss you

#### Best World Folk

Doc Jones and the Lechery Orchestra – Take the blind man's money  
Emma Donovan – Changes  
Kiara Jack – Calm Down  
Phillip Walley-Stack - Strong  
Racz'n Waters – The Dreaming

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