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ARN NETS A HUGE 46 NOMINATIONS AS 2017 ACRAS FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

Finalists for the 29th annual Australian Commercial Radio Awards have been announced with **ARN securing a massive 46 nominations** across 25 categories.

Two of ARN's top on-air teams, **Kyle & Jackie O on KIIS 1065** and **Hughesy & Kate Drive Show on the KIIS national network** are both nominated in the prestigious Metropolitan Best On-Air category.

Winners of the 2016 Best On-Air Team – Country & Provincial, **The Edge's Mike E & Emma** are again a finalist in this category and could make it back to back wins.

Kyle & Jackie O, Hughesy & Kate and **WSFM's Jonesy & Amanda** will also battle it out for honours in the Best Station Produced Comedy Segment.

ARN landed a huge haul of 46 nominations, across a range of categories showing the depth of talent across the company including **on-air talent, production, marketing, campaigns and activations, sales, digital, news and multimedia**.

Entries were received from 260 metropolitan and regional radio stations across Australia. Winners will be announced at a gala black-tie event at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre on Saturday, 14 October.

The full list of ARN finalists are:

Best On-Air Team – Metro FM

- **Hughesy & Kate**; Dave Hughes & Kate Langbroek, KIIS Network
- **Kyle & Jackie O**; Kyle Sandilands & Jackie Henderson, KIIS 1065

Best On-Air Team – Country & Provincial

- **Mike E & Emma**; Michael Etheridge & Emma Chow, The Edge



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Best Entertainment/Music Presenter

- **Gordie Waters;** KIIS 1065

Best Networked Program

- **The Kyle & Jackie O Show;** Kyle Sandilands & Jackie Henderson
- **Hughesy & Kate;** Dave Hughes & Kate Langbroek

Best Marketing Campaign

- **There's only one Kyle & Jackie O;** ARN Marketing & KIIS 1065 Content Team
- **hit104.7 2016/17 Campaign;** Zak Davies, hit104.7, Canberra (JV with SCA)

Best Newcomer On-Air

- **Rebecca Judd;** 3pm Pick-Up, KIIS Network

Best News Presenter - Metro FM

- **Keegan Buzza;** WSFM, Sydney

Best News Presenter - Metro AM

- **Jo Hayes;** 4KQ, Brisbane
- **Hope Fabillar;** 4KQ, Brisbane

Best News Presenter - Country & Provincial

- **Katarina Slavich;** hit104.7, Canberra (JV with SCA)

Best Digital Radio Format

- **Elf Radio;** iHeartRadio Content Team, Sydney

Best Station Produced Comedy Segment

- **Cyclone Debbie;** Amanda Keller & Brendan Jones, WSFM, Sydney
- **Hughesy and Kate - Paternity Test;** Dave Hughes & Kate Langbroek, KIIS Network
- **"Mean" Ed Sheeran Pranks Hughesy & Kate;** Kyle Sandilands & Jackie Henderson, KIIS 1065, Sydney

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- **Unknowning Florist Sing-A-Long;** Ryan Jon, Tanya Hennessy, Matthew Heap & Josh Peck, hit104.7, Canberra (JV with SCA)

Best Show Producer – Entertainment/Music

- **Bruno Bouchet;** The Kyle & Jackie O Show, KIIS 1065, Sydney
- **Sacha French;** Hughesy & Kate, KIIS Network
- **Matthew Heap;** Kristen & Rod, Mix 106.3, Canberra (JV with SCA)

Best Promotions Director

- **Melissa Ratchford;** ARN Melbourne
- **Natalie Storer;** KIIS 101.1, Melbourne
- **Natali Brabant;** KIIS 1065, Sydney
- **Zak Davies;** hit104.7 & Mix 106.3, Canberra (JV with SCA)

Best Program Director

- **Charlie Fox;** WSFM, Sydney
- **Barry Drinkwater;** 97.3FM & 4KQ, Brisbane

Best Documentary

- **Braden's Story;** Ryan Jon & Tanya Hennessy, hit104.7, Canberra (JV with SCA)
- **What's It Like?;** Kristen Henry, Mix 106.3, Canberra (JV with SCA)

Best Achievement In Production

- **Mike Santos;** KIIS 101.1, Melbourne
- **Chris Davis;** KIIS Network

Best Music Special

- **Mothers who Rock;** Amanda Keller, Suze DeMarchi & WSFM Content Team, WSFM, Sydney

Best Station Sales Achievement

- **Brisbane Agency Sales;** 97.3FM, Brisbane

Best Direct Salesperson

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- **Susie Michaels;** ARN National, Sydney

Best Sales Promotion

- **Jonesy & Amanda's Pie Hole;** Amanda Keller & Brendan Jones, WSFM Campaigns & WSFM Breakfast Team, WSFM, Sydney
- **KIIS 101.1 20K in 20 Minutes on Chapel Street;** KIIS 101.1 Campaigns & Activations, Commercial & Content Teams, KIIS 101.1, Melbourne
- **Kyle & Jackie O's Make It Rain;** KIIS1065 Campaigns & Activations, Content & Commercial Teams, KIIS 1065, Sydney
- **Ryan & Tanya's Car Swap;** hit104.7 Promotions & Content Team, hit104.7, Canberra (JV with SCA)

Best Multimedia Execution – Sales

- **Kyle & Jackie O's Bad Sweater Day;** Kyle Sandilands & Jackie Henderson, Network Activations, Commercial & Content Teams, KIIS Network
- **Ryan & Tanya's Car Swap;** hit104.7 Promotions & Content Team, hit104.7, Canberra (JV with SCA)

Best Multimedia Execution – Station

- **Kyle & Jackie O's Sydney Children's Hospital Toy Drive;** Kyle Sandilands & Jackie Henderson, KIIS 1065 Campaigns, Activations & Content Team, KIIS 1065, Sydney
- **hit104.7 Skyfire 2017;** hit104.7 Promotions & Content Team, hit104.7, Canberra (JV with SCA)

Best Station Promotion

- **Jo & Lehmo's Nude Food;** Gold 104.3 Product Team, Gold 104.3, Melbourne

Best Community Service Project

- **Kerry's Final Wish;** Mix 102.3 Adelaide Content Team, Mix 102.3, Adelaide
- **Saving Ziad;** Kyle Sandilands & Jackie Henderson, KIIS 1065, Sydney

Best Newcomer Off-Air

- **Deirdre Fogarty;** The Edge, Sydney



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ABOUT ARN

ARN is one of the leading broadcasters in the country with ownership or investments in 12 radio stations nationwide. Its network brands KIIS and Pure Gold, along with iHeartRadio and The Edge, entertain and influence over four million listeners on-air across Australia, with a digital audience of 2.7 million and a social footprint of 4 million.

Its KIIS network consists of Sydney's KIIS 1065 with #1FM Breakfast Show *Kyle & Jackie O*, KIIS 101.1 in Melbourne with *Matt & Meshel*, Adelaide's #1 Mix102.3 with *Jodie & Soda*, Brisbane's 97.3FM with #1FM Breakfast Show *Bianca, Terry & Bob* and Perth's 96FM with *Carmen & Fitz*. All shows nationally have *Katie 'Monty' Dimond, Rebecca Judd & Yumi Stynes* for The 3PM Pick Up and *Dave 'Hughesy' Hughes & Kate Langbroek* in Drive.

In 2014 the rebranded Pure Gold network was also launched and it now incorporates Sydney's WS FM101.7 with *Jonesy & Amanda*, Melbourne's GOLD104.3 with *Jo & Lehmo*, Brisbane's 4KQ with *Laurel, Gary & Mark* and Adelaide's Cruise 1323 with *John Dean*.

The Edge is available on FM as The Edge 96.ONE in Sydney and nationally via iHeartRadio and DAB+. The Edge Breakfast hosts are *Mike E & Emma*.

ARN also launched iHeartRadio, the world's fastest growing digital service, to the Australian market in 2013 and the platform has had over 1 million downloads. iHeartRadio is a free, all-in-one radio, music streaming, entertainment and live events platform. In addition to being able to create their own personalised stations, listeners can access their favourite stations in Australia from ARN, the ABC, SBS and Fairfax, as well as stations from New Zealand and the USA.

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