



2010 WAMi AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The **2010 WAMi Awards** was held last night at Capitol in Perth with **Karnivool** taking two awards! Co hosted by RTRFM's **Peter Barr** and triple j's **The Doctor** (Lindsay MacDougall), the WAMi Awards featured WAMingtons galore and guest award presentations by **Dom Alessio** and **Steph Hughes** from triple j's Home & Hosed. The WAMi Awards showed off an impressive array of WA talent as well, with live performances by **Sugar Army**, **Hayley Beth**, **Will Stoker and the Embers**, **Black Poet** and the **Brow Horn Orchestra**.

After waiting for a good three years for their second album, **Karnivool** fans showed their appreciation for 'Sound Awake' and voted it as the 2010 WAMi Award for *Most Popular Album*, beating out contenders such as John Butler Trio, Eskimo Joe and Gyroscope. After a solid year of touring in Australia and abroad, Karnivool were also voted *Most Popular Live Act*. **Birds of Tokyo** managed to score the *Most Popular Act* award for the second year in a row. Earlier in the week at the Craft WAMi Award presentations, **Ian Kenny**, the front man for both Karnivool & Birds of Tokyo won the WAMi Award for *Best Male Vocalist* for the third time.

In the public voted categories, Fremantle favourites **The Joe Kings**, were voted as *Favourite Newcomer*, while **The French Rockets /Injured Ninja Split 12"** + DVD was voted as the *Most Popular Single /EP*. **Faster Louder.com.au** won their second WAMi Award for *Most Popular Music Website* and Perth's **Amplifier Bar** scored the gong for *Most Popular Music Venue*. The WAMi for *Most Popular Music Video* went to **Blac Blocs** for their single *NVDA* and the folks at **Soundwave** won their first ever WAMi for *Most Popular Music Event*.

In the industry voted categories, the **Emperors** won *Most Promising New Act*, **Yabu Band** scored the WAMington for *Indigenous Act of the Year*, WAMi Award night performers **The Brow Horn Orchestra** scored *Best Funk Act*, *Best Commercial Pop Act* went to **Eskimo Joe** and *Best Urban/Hip Hop act* was awarded to **the Typhoons**.

Every year the *Golden WAMi Award* is awarded for contribution to the WA music industry and in 2010 **Peter Barr** (RTRFM's Breakfast announcer & Morning Magazine producer) reclaimed his title, winning for the third time! His media home, **RTRFM 92.1** were once again named the winners of the *Organisation Media Award*, while departing RTRFM Music Director **Dave Cutbush**, was chuffed when he was awarded the *Individual Media Award*.

Earlier during the week, the **2010 WAMi Award Craft Category** presentations were held at the Rosemount Hotel. **Abbe May** was awarded *Best Female Vocalist* (again!), **Charlie Bucket** scored a WAMington for *Best DJ*, **Dave Parkin** won for *Best Record Producer/Engineer* and **Good Cop Bad Cop Records** won for *Best WA Based Record Label*.

After being nominated for a huge eight WAMi Awards this year, Sugar Army yet again walked away cakeless. Maybe next year is Sugar's turn?

Congratulations to all the WAMi Award winners and nominees!

For the full list of WAMi Award Winners and the WAMi Festival Gig Guide head to <http://wam.asn.au>(.)

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