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## Charlie Pickering to host Radio Awards

Comedian, writer and broadcaster, Charlie Pickering is to host this year's 25<sup>th</sup> Australian Commercial Radio Awards (ACRAs) to be held for the first time in Brisbane at the Royal International Convention Centre on 12 October.

Between sellout national and international comedy performances, the well-known co-host of Channel 10's The Project, has been a guest host across a number of commercial radio networks over the last five years and knows many of the radio personalities up for awards on the night.

"I'm really looking forward to catching up with some mates from radio and seeing Australia's best breakfast DJ's stay up well past their bedtime," said Mr Pickering.

Pickering will anchor the show with award presenters announced today to include:

- Fifi and Jules (Fifi Box and Jules Lund) – Today Network
- Fitzy and Wippa (Ryan Fitzgerald and Michael Wipfli) – Nova
- Neil Mitchell & Paul Murray – Fairfax Radio Network
- Merrick and the Highway Patrol (Merrick Watts, Rachel Corbett and Jules Schiller) – Triple M
- Richard Wilkins- smoothfm
- Jonesy and Amanda (Amanda Keller and Brendan Jones) - WSFM
- Tim Blackwell and Marty Sheargold - Nova
- Galey, Matt and Charli (Paul Gale, Matt Acton and Charli Robinson) - SeaFM, Gold Coast
- Robin, Terry and Bob (Robin Bailey, Terry Hansen and Bob Gallagher) - Mix 97.3 – Brisbane

Chief executive officer of Commercial Radio Australia, Joan Warner said, "Charlie is a talented broadcaster, presenter and comedian and we're looking forward to him hosting this year's awards."

Organised by Commercial Radio Australia, on behalf of the radio industry, the ACRAs include 34 categories, which cover all areas of radio broadcasting including news, talk, sport, music and entertainment. The Awards differ from television's Logie Awards, in that they are peer judged with judging panels comprised of industry members. Winners are announced in each category across three areas: metropolitan, provincial and country commercial radio stations.

The National Radio Conference (11 October) and the Australian Commercial Radio Awards (12 October) are being held in Brisbane for the first time. The annual Radiofest has become a highlight of the radio industry's yearly calendar attracting the industry's stars, personalities and media executives from around Australia.

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