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themusicianspeaks.com

MUST SEE

MOVIE TRAILER

The film that won Kristen Stewart a French Cesar award, *Clouds of Sils Maria*, opens here May 14. Juliette Binoche co-stars. pinnaclefilms.com.au



HIT HEARTS THE BIG SCREEN



WIN/ WHO'S THE CHAPPIE?

Sci-fiction fans are in for a treat March 12 when Chappie, from *District 9* and *Elysium* creator Neill Blomkamp, hits cinemas. (He's just been handed the reins to the *Alien* franchise, which should be recommended enough!) In a future where Johannesburg is patrolled by the world's first robotic police force, one droid stands out... Chappie stars Hugh Jackman, Sigourney Weaver, Dev Patel and South African music Die Antwoord. The trailer: sonypictures.com.au

For a chance to win an in-screen pass to Chappie, email hit@news.com.au once only by tomorrow 11am, telling us your favourite movie droid and why. Include your postal address. Winners notified by email. Open to Victorian residents only.



HOW WE GOT THROUGH IT

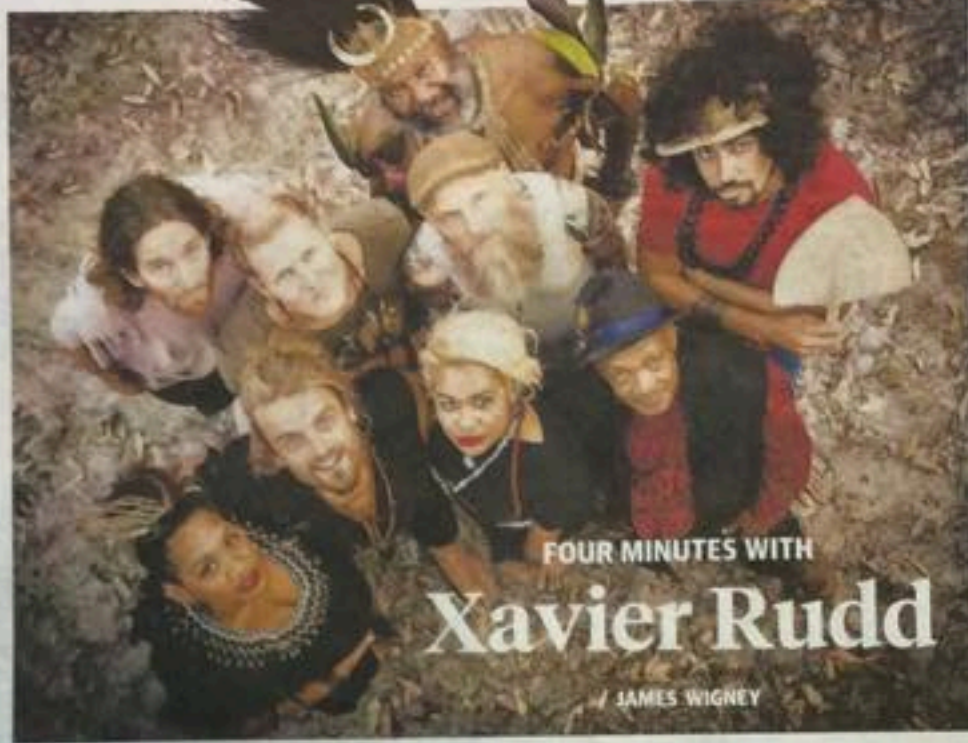
While the TV networks have gone nuts for Gallipoli dramas, ACMI will commemorate the centenary of WWI by showing the films Australians were making and watching from 1914-1918. "War Pictures" includes 1915 film *The Hero of the Dardanelles*, shot in Sydney just months after the Anzac landings, as well as newsreels, "lost" movies and comedies that helped lift the nation's spirits. ACMI, Federation Square, starts Tuesday until July 26. www.acmi.net.au/war-pictures



THIS WEEK IN MOVIES

Missed the film that should've won the Oscar (*Boyhood*) and the film that won (*Birdman*)? They're showing tonight and tomorrow at Shadow Electric outdoor cinema at the Abbotsford Convent. shadowelectric.com.au The French Film Festival is in full swing. Hit's must see: *Far From Men*, in which Viggo Mortensen is caught in the crossfire of war — to an original soundtrack by Nick Cave and Warren Ellis. affordofthefestival.org

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FOUR MINUTES WITH
Xavier Rudd

/ JAMES WIGNEY

1 UNIVERSAL IDEAS

Xavier Rudd has made his name as a one-man sensation over the years, wowing live audiences with his racks of guitars, didgeridoos and stompboxes, but he has wanted to record and tour as part of a band for some time. When he finally got around to doing it, he found a lot of the hard work had already been done for him. "I put it out there to the universe it came back," he says. "There were no auditions, all the right players presented and the first players who came along were the ones. It was almost like it was put together by another force."

2 UNITED IN MUSIC

The band that assembled to make his new album, *Nanmo*, features players from Australia, South Africa, Samoa, Germany and Papua New Guinea — hence the name *The United Nations*. Rudd says the band dynamic took some getting used to but fortunately music is an international language. "Put a mix of people representing different bloodlines and different places together and offer the opportunity for them to open their hearts and pour it out, that creates a really magical space," he says. "So the music flowed."

3 THE HOME OF REGGAE

The heavily reggae influenced album was recorded in Byron Bay but was mixed at the famous Tuff Gong studios in Jamaica by Errol Brown, who oversaw seminal releases there by Bob Marley and Burning Spear. "He was incredible and really got into the album as well," says Rudd. "He was quite touched because his mother had passed in the process. This record is called *Nanmo* and there is a lot of respect there for that old woman spirit. I wouldn't name it *Nanmo* lightly, but it felt like this album deserved that powerful, sacred, strong title."

4 THE WORD FROM THE WORLD

Rudd toured his last album, 2012's No. 2 ARIA chart hit *Spirit Bird*, for more than 30 months to his fans around the world and is about to hit the road again, first in Australia and then the US. But he says he gets mixed impressions of his homeland on his travels. "It's quite well known that Australia is a racist place," he says. "I have noticed that a lot of people who travel here are blown away by what they hear and what people say. But people are drawn magnetically to this country — as we all are — it's a very powerful and ancient place."

Xavier Rudd (front row, second from left) and the United Nations.

HEAR NANMO (SALT X/ UNIVERSAL) IS RELEASED MARCH 13

SEE XAVIER RUDD AND THE UNITED NATIONS, MARCH 19, THE FORUM, TICKET MASTER

ON TOUR

BEYOND FUTURE

After rave reviews in Sydney last weekend, Future Music Festival rolls into Flemington Racecourse on Sunday, with a diverse range of headliners from superstar DJ Avicii to Canadian rapper Drake and the live, aural assault of The Prodigy. Later on Sunday, some will kick on with sidehows: French DJ/producer Tchami hits the Seven nightclub and Sven Vath, Seth Troader, Green Velvet, Apollonia, Art Department play Cocoon at Brown Alley. Finnish DJ Darude comes to Trak in Toorak on March 13. futuremusicfestival.com.au

MONTGOMERY

Ethereal, soulful singer-songwriter Montgomery — recently championed by Taylor Swift — will play her first ever shows with an East Coast tour in May. She'll play tracks from new EP *New Clear Wor* at Shebeen in the city on the 8th. On sale today. For details visit montgomeryonline.com

GRUFF RHYS

His band Super Furry Animals just announced their first shows in six years but frontman Rhys brings his latest solo album to the Northcote Social Club tonight, for one night only. northcotesocialclub.com

DRAKE headlines Future Music Festival



BREAK IT DOWN



A SWEET SENSATION

Shirley Bassey made it famous, but you can check out the original Big Spender (as well as those classic showtunes *The Rhythm of Life* and *If My Friends Could See Me Now*) in the stupendously good, award-winning *Sweet Charity*, playing at the Arts Centre Playhouse until Saturday night. Verity Hunt-Ballard is a knockout in the lead role. artscentreplayhouse.com.au



EUROGLIDERS FLYING HIGH

Eighties stalwarts the Eurogliders release *Don't Eat the Doves*, their first album in a decade, tomorrow, featuring new songs and acoustic versions of hits including *Heaven (Must Be There)*, and *Another Day in the Big World*. See them play it live at the Wonderland Spiegeltent at Docklands, Saturday night. wonderlandspiegeltent.com.au



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With Future Music on Sunday at Flemington Racecourse, many of the same artists will go again for the 13-17s at the same venue the next day for Good Life. Avicii and Afrojack will be joined by local lad Joel Fletcher (pictured) and many more from 1pm-8pm. goodlifefest.com.au