

Clare Bowditch

Musician/Writer/Speaker/ Social commentator

Clare Bowditch is a well-loved songwriter, writer, social commentator, and stay-at-home mother of three who enjoys exchanging garden-cuttings with her elderly neighbours.

Occasionally, she gets to spend whole months touring with other acclaimed musicians like Leonard Cohen (who hand-picked her to support his 2010 tour of Australia which played to over 100,000) and win awards like Rolling Stone Woman of the Year (Contribution to Culture, 2010), Yen Woman of the Year (2008) and ARIA Best Female (2006 – she was the pregnant red-head singing a duet with Bernard Fanning and Kasey Chambers).

In 2010, Clare released her fourth album, the top ten **Modern Day Addiction**: a contagious, Berlin-recorded masterpiece exploring insecurity in the celebrity age.

Last year, Clare was nominated for three ARIA Awards, elected to the Music Victoria Board, was the first "Q & A" panellist ever to also perform a song, and was invited to spend an hour interviewing Prime Minister Gillard for MYSPEACE, three days before the 2010 election.

"Clare is one of those effortlessly mesmerizing communicators. Her rare blend of insight and charisma means that people cannot help but be thoroughly engaged when she speaks." Waleed Aly

On TV, she has been a featured guest on programs from "Compass", "Q&A", "Artscape" and "Insight", to "Talkin' Bout Your Generation", "Rockwiz" and "Spicks and Specks".

As a writer, Clare has contributed articles to The Drum, Wheeler Centre Daily, Rolling Stone and co-wrote her first piece for theatre with Jim MacPherson; "Tales From The Life Of Eva – The Eva Cassidy Story", which she also stars in. The show has been a smash-hit and continues to tour.

Clare is also a keen public speaker, and has been an MC/host for Marieke Hardy and Michaela McGuire's "Women of Letters" book-launch in Melbourne. Clare also narrates Music Max's "My First Gig", Series One and Two, and in 2012 will begin hosting an in-flight channel for Qantas, The Spirit, focused on local music.

Clare regularly guest-hosts The Circle on Network 10, has presented ARIA Awards (and won them!), and last summer hosted the nightly Evenings radio show on ABC 774 (which went National for summer).



"She is that rare combination of creative talent, intellectual insight and evident empathy for the human condition. She is a compelling speaker on a range of topics relevant to most of us, and has both a gifted and humorous capacity to make large and small audiences feel immensely welcome and involved"- Fabian Dattner
(Business Leader, Social Entrepreneur)

She has hosted summer shows on Triple J (her own creative-arts based show with Libby Chow, called Lazy Sunday Afternoons, and she also guest-hosted Sam Simmon's summer show).

She has also guest-edited a special edition of Australian Musician magazine.

Clare was recently elected the Contemporary Music Representative for the Music Council of Australia, and is a proud ambassador for Life's Little Treasures, PPCA and APRA.

Music

- 2011 **Are You Ready Yet-** EP, with Gotye, Lanie Lane and Lisa Mitchell
- 2010 **Modern Day Addiction-** Clare Bowditch & The New Slang Album (Island/Universal)
- 2010 **The Wedding Party** soundtrack, contributor
- 2010 **Long Gone Whistle,** Maurice Frawley Tribute Album, contributor
- 2007 **The Moon Looked On,** Clare Bowditch & The Feeding Set Album (Capitol/ EMI)

Music cont...

- 2007 **Cannot Buy My Soul**, Kev Carmody tribute album, contributor
- 2005 **What Was Left**, Clare Bowditch & The Feeding Set, Album (EMI)
- 2005 **She Will Have Her Way**, Finn Brothers' Tribute Album, contributor
- 2003 **Autumn Bone**, Red Raku Album
- 2000 **Rodalesis May**, Red Raku Album
- 1998 **Sweetly Sedated**, Red Raku Album

Touring/Festivals

- 2012 **Tales from the Life of Eva Cassidy**- co-writer & performer
- 2011 **They Will Have Their Way** - national tribute tour to the Finn Brothers
- 2011 **Tales from the Life of Eva Cassidy**- co-writer & performer
- 2011 **Joondalup Festival**
- 2011 **Winter Secrets National Tour**
- 2010 **Splendour in the Grass Festival**
- 2010 **A Day on the Green**
- 2010 **Lost Weekend Festival**
- 2010 **RockWiz National tour**
- 2010 **Leonard Cohen- National Tour**
- 2010 **Queenscliff Music Festival**
- 2009 **Sounds of Spring Festival**
- 2009 **Woodford Folk Festival**
- 2009 **Escape to the Park**
- 2009 **Pyramid Rock Festival**
- 2009 **Joondalup Festival**
- 2009 Kev Carmody Cannot Buy Me Soul tribute show, performer
- 2009 Triple J Paul Kelly tribute show
- 2009 **Before Too Long**, performer
- 2009 **Youngcare** benefit concert, with Powderfinger and Missy Higgins
- 2008 John Butler Trio/The Waifs, **Union of Soul Australian Tour**
- 2008 Old Man River/Hot Little Hands, **Winter Secrets Australian Tour**
- 2008 **Queenscliff Music Festival**
- 2008 **Falls Festival**
- 2008 **Trackside Festival**
- 2008 **East Coast Blues & Roots Festival**
- 2008 **Splendour in the Grass**
- 2007 **Gotye European tour**
- 2007 Solo European tour
- 2007 **Queenscliff Music Festival**
- 2007 **Falls Festival**
- 2007 **Trackside Festival**
- 2007 **St Jerome's Laneway Festival**
- 2007 **Groovin' The Moo Festival**
- 2007 Kev Carmody Tribute Concerts
- 2006 **WOMAD Festival**
- 2006 **Splendour in the Grass**
- 2005 European Tour, with the Feeding Set

Television

- 2011 **Q & A**, ABC TV, guest appearances
- 2011 **Compass**, guest appearance
- 2011 **The Circle**, Network 10, guest host
- 2010 **Talkin' 'Bout Your Generation**, Network 10, guest appearance
- 2010 **Good News Week**, Network 10, guest appearance
- 2009 **The 7pm Project**, Network 10, guest appearance
- 2008 **Insight, SBS**, guest appearance
- 2008 **Live At the Basement** performance, Winter Secrets Tour, ABC TV
- 2008 **Live At The Chapel** performance, Channel 7/MTV & broadcast on Nova
- 2007 **The Sideshow**, ABC TV, guest appearance
- 2006-2010 **RockWiz**, SBS, guest appearances

Radio

- 2012 **The Spirit**, host, Qantas inflight Australian music channel
- 2010 **774 ABC Melbourne Evenings** show, guest host
- 2009/2010 **Triple j**, co-host Summer show with Sam Simmons
- 2008 **Triple j**, Lazy Sunday Afternoons show with Libby Chow

Awards

- 2011 **The Age EG Award**, Best Female
- 2011 Nominated **ARIA Award**, Best Female
- 2010 **Rolling Stone Woman of the Year** (Contribution to Culture)
- Nominated for **3 ARIA Awards**- Best Female, Best Adult Alternative Album & Best Mixer Award
- 2008 Nominated for **2 ARIA Awards**- Best Female & Adult Contemporary Album
- 2008 Yen magazine's **Young Woman of the Year Award** winner (music category)
- 2008 International Songwriting competition, runner up (singer/songwriter category)
- 2006 Winner, **ARIA Award**, Best Female
- 2005 **J Award**, nomination- What Was Left
- 2005 **Rolling Stone** Top 5 Australian Albums of the Year, for What Was Left

Board Positions

- 2011-2014 **Regional and Touring Arts Programs Expert Assessment Panel**, Ministerially Appointed Member
- 2010- 2012 **Music Council of Australia**, Contemporary Music Representative
- 2011- 2012 **Music Victoria**, Board Secretary
- 2010 **Music Victoria**, Board Member

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