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Australia's Isaiah places ninth in Eurovision Grand Final

Australia's **Isaiah** has placed ninth in the 2017 Eurovision Song Contest Grand Final.

Overnight in Kyiv, Ukraine, Isaiah took to the stage to perform his song 'Don't Come Easy', alongside 25 other Grand Finalists.

The scores of the voting juries and viewing public in 42 countries including Australia were combined for the official results.

Salvador Sobral from Portugal was crowned Eurovision winner with his song 'Amar Pelos Dois' being awarded 758 points. Bulgaria took out second place, and Moldova in third place.

The Eurovision Song Contest Grand Final is broadcast on SBS tonight, **Sunday 14 May, 7.30pm**, with commentary from Myf Warhurst and Joel Creasey and includes backstage interviews with artists and all the behind the scenes action from the contest.

Isaiah said:

"The Grand Final atmosphere in the arena tonight was amazing, and I took all that energy into my performance. I want to say a big congratulations to Salvador from Portugal, and all the incredible singers who gave it their all in the contest.

"Meeting and performing with the artists from other countries, and getting to know the Ukrainian people has been an experience I will never forget and I will always be honoured to have represented Australia."

SBS Managing Director Michael Ebeid said:

"Isaiah has been such a fantastic ambassador for Australia at Eurovision, and we are incredibly proud of his performance in the Grand Final. Making the Grand Final every year that Australia has been in the contest is no small feat, and is a fantastic acknowledgement of our creative talents and passion and enthusiasm for the contest.

"Australian audiences have had a romance with Eurovision for over 30 years and we have ever increasing affection for the contest, which shares the same values as SBS of celebrating diversity. We look forward to doing it again next year."



Australian Head of Delegation Paul Clarke said:

“Isaiah won a lot of hearts at Eurovision with his huge talent and his gracious spirit. It is a wonderful thing to be able to offer such a huge opportunity on the world stage to an artist so deserving, one who we know will go on to great things.”

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