## Media Release



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## Peter Allen: Not The Boy Next Door launches Sept 13 on Seven

The highly anticipated two-part miniseries, **Peter Allen: Not The Boy Next Door**, will premiere across two big Sundays - September 13 and 20 at 8.30pm - on Seven.

**Not The Boy Next Door** tells the rollercoaster story of Australian entertainer, Peter Allen, who went from being a childhood performer in country NSW to a Grammy and Academy Awardwinning songwriter and the toast of Broadway, marrying into Hollywood royalty along the way.

Peter is best known for his signature song 'I Go To Rio', the unofficial Aussie anthem 'I Still Call Australia Home' and 'Tenterfield Saddler', a moving tribute to his grandfather George Woolnough. He also co-wrote the huge commercial chart hits 'I Honestly Love You', 'Don't Cry Out Loud' and 'Arthur's Theme (Best That You Can Do)'.

The miniseries stars **Joel Jackson** (*Deadline Gallipoli*) as Peter Allen, **Rebecca Gibney** (*Winter, Packed To The Rafters*) as Peter's mum Marion Woolnough, **Sara West** (*Winter, ANZAC Girls*) as Peter's one-time wife and lifelong friend Liza Minnelli, **Nick Farnell** (*Charles Bean's Great War, Killing Time*) as Peter's father Dick Woolnough, **Henri Szeps** (*Mother and Son*) as Peter's agent Dee Anthony and musical theatre star **Rob Mills** as Peter's singing partner Chris Bell; with **Sigrid Thornton** (*Underbelly: The Golden Mile, SeaChange*) as screen legend Judy Garland and 14-year-old newcomer **Ky Baldwin** as young Peter Woolnough.

**Peter Allen: Not The Boy Next Door** is Seven's third drama collaboration with Endemol Shine Australia after the February 2014 smash hit, *INXS: Never Tear Us Apart* and the hugely successful, *Catching Milat*, earlier this year.

The miniseries was filmed February-March 2015 in New South Wales and is based on the book, 'Peter Allen: The Boy From Oz', by Stephen MacLean.

Executive Producers: Rory Callaghan and Julie McGauran

Producers: Kerrie Mainwaring and Rory Callaghan

Director: Shawn Seet

Writers: Justin Monjo (Part 1), Michael Miller (Part 2)

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