



Over ten years Art of Fighting have built a formidable reputation as one of Australia's finest underground guitar bands. Making intricate, delicate and spacious melancholy pop, the band's three full-length albums have taken the two guitar, bass and drums set-up into some sublime and magical places.

On their debut album *Wires*, the etched world of crystalline guitars and ethereal pop melodies led to the surprise win of a prestigious Australian Recording Industry Award. It's sequel, *Second Storey*, expanded on the band's songs of passionate sadness with keyboards and sweeping dynamics, and was released by cult UK label Bella Union. Newest record *Runaways* is their most immediate and intuitive record to date, dwelling on themes of travel and distance, longing and leaving. It is both assured and subtle, a perfect example of the distinctive melancholic sound they have honed over the course of their career.

Art of Fighting are regular visitors to Europe and Asia, and the four piece were recently invited by Dirty Three to play the All Tomorrows Parties festival in the UK. The band have shared stages with the likes of the Go-Betweens, Midlake, Catpower, Smog, June of 44, Mum, Will Oldham and Steve Malkmus. As a band that was formed in the mid-90's by three Melbourne high school friends inspired by such diverse teenage heroes as Sonic Youth and the Red House Painters, Art Of Fighting have become one of the most respected independent bands in Australia, with a growing international following, a rich and complex back catalogue and a compelling air of dignity and grace.

Art of Fighting are:
Ollie Browne, Miles Browne, Peggy Frew and Marty Brown

Art of Fighting will return to Australia from France, where they have performed in at the quartier d'été festival at the request of the organisers in Paris and embark on an extensive eleven date national tour taking in all major cities and regional centres, through September and October. The tour is in support of Art of Fighting's latest single, the haunting track *Mysteries*.

"Art of Fighting are about as good as it gets" (Melbourne) Magazine

"A tender, tremulous piece of work unadorned by sentimentality" Sun Herald

Art of Fighting - touring nationally for Triple J
supported by Little Red

- Fri 21 Sep** - Hepburn Springs, The Palais
- Sat 22 Sep** - Hobart, Republic Bar
- Thu 27 Sep** - Byron Bay, Great Northern
- Fri 28 Sep** - Brisbane, The Zoo
- Sat 29 Sep** - Sydney, The Metro
- Sun 30 Sep** - Wollongong, Heritage Hotel
- Fri 5 Oct** - Ballarat, Karova Lounge
- Thu 11 Oct** - Melbourne, Prince of Wales
- Fri 12 Oct** - Adelaide, Jive
- Sat 13 Oct** - Perth, Rosemount
- Sun 14 Oct** - Fremantle, Mojos

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