

art-pop as
Olympia,
focused on
visual art and
does not have a
song on Vast.
Meanwhile,

Dempsey opens the
18-song collection with
The Sky's Gone Missing, a
lyrically and melodically rich
effort that could easily find its
way on to one of his
accomplished studio albums.

In May, many of the artists
involved returned to perform at
the opening of the Red Earth
Arts Precinct, a 450-plus seat
theatre, rooftop cinema, outdoor
amphitheatre and state-of-
the-art library space in
Karratha.

In a top hat and tails, the
generous McDermott served as
MC.

All proceeds generated by Vast
album sales will be used to
advance artistic pursuits in the
Pilbara region.

Laffer is unsure
whether there will
be Vast II but is
still savouring the
first, saying "The
magic created by
those people
together was
worth the effort".

Vast is out now.

*'These are my
cathedrals,
these are my city
squares,'
Fanning sings.*

