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Silverchair *Young Modern* [Warner Bros.]

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If rock act Silverchair brings thoughts of 'pubescent grunge,' congratulations are in order. No one expected you to wake from that 10-year coma, and no one, perhaps, expected the Aussie trio to be a consistent creative force now in alternative rock. But with *Young Modern*, Silverchair, for the second consecutive album, brought both emotion and insistent melody to its arena-ready songs. On tracks like the single "Straight Lines," frontman Daniel Johns' falsetto leads a slow build of guitars and piano to a crescendo that is certainly as far from Frogstomp as one can get. Let this be your second introduction to Silverchair.

[Paul LaRocco]

GRADE: B+