

## Attention editor/chief of staff

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## Ngaluk Waangkiny brings powerful voices of Elders to the Museum of the Goldfields

*Ngaluk Waangkiny (Us Talking),* a powerful multi-media storytelling exhibition sharing the legacy of ten respected Elders, is opening at the Museum of the Goldfields, running from Friday 21 February to Monday 28 April 2025.

The Elders from Boorloo (Perth) have collaborated with Community Arts Network to share their life journeys as part of this truth-telling project. Their stories are poignant, powerful, and at times heartbreaking and harrowing – but they have been laid bare so that future generations are aware of Australia's often hidden Black history.

Presented through photography, recorded conversations and film, *Ngaluk Waangkiny* offers a deeply moving insight into survival, activism and cultural strength.

The exhibition follows the life journeys of Uncle Ben Taylor Cuiermara, Aunty Theresa Walley, Uncle Farley Garlett, Aunty Doolann Leisha Eatts, Uncle Walter Eatts, Aunty Irene and Uncle Albert McNamara, Aunty Muriel Bowie, Aunty Margaret Culbong and Uncle Noel Nannup.

Museum of the Goldfields Regional Manager, Marta Perona, said the exhibition is a rare opportunity to directly hear from the Elders who have dedicated their lives to truth-telling and change.

"These Elders have lived through immense change and fought tirelessly for recognition and justice. Their voices deserve to be heard, and their lived experiences not forgotten. *Ngaluk Waangkiny* provides an opportunity for visitors to listen, reflect and walk away with a deeper understanding of Australia's history."

Among the voices captured in the exhibition is that of Uncle Noel Nannup, who urges younger generations to embrace the knowledge of their Elders.

"Every time I get the opportunity now, I'm always talking to young people and saying – look, you have your old people at home, and they are your library. Go and talk to them and find out as much as you can about your family line and hang onto that."

The tour of *Ngaluk Waangkiny* is managed by ART ON THE MOVE and made possible thanks to the State Government's Regional Exhibition Touring Boost. *Ngaluk Waangkiny* is a free exhibition and will be on display until Monday 28 April 2025.

For more information, visit: <u>https://visit.museum.wa.gov.au/goldfields/ngaluk-waangkiny</u>

High-Resolution images can be downloaded via the Dropbox Link – <u>https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/qucpo9rc5t3ol3un3uovz/ABvIzgK0WOsihSSjoOnW0w0?rlk</u>ey=gaclk7amj40zhsc9ffeal81tp&st=ori0Im0h&dl=0

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