

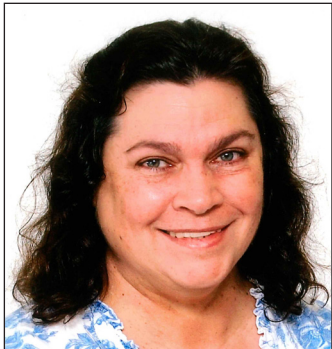


BIG FELLA RAIN

A stunning visual depiction of the unique environment, flora and fauna and dramatic seasonal changes of northern Australia

Big Fella Rain is a celebration of northern Australia as animals, birds, trees and a parched earth await the first rain. It is almost as if country stands still as the sparse, evocative text pays homage to the transition from dry season to wet season in a place like no other in the world.

Fern Martins' illustrations seamlessly portray the dramatic skies, the thirsty animals and tiny creatures whose very existence rely on these monsoonal changes. Her exquisite rendering of the big landscape against the subtle shifts in the environment have a timeless quality that will capture the hearts and imaginations of all readers.



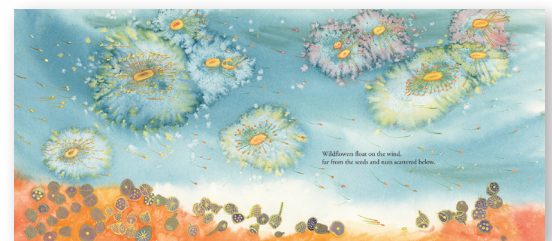
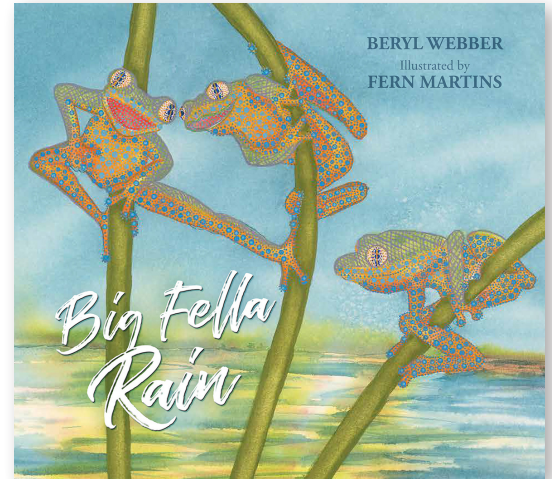
About the author

Beryl Webber is descended from the Gunggari people of southern Queensland. Her father was a dam sinker and she grew up on stations. Her family had a keen awareness of when the 'big fella rain' was coming because it often meant they had to prepare for flooding. Beryl works in the health industry and she loves to write. This is her first children's picture book.



About the illustrator

Fern Martins is a descendant of the Ngarabul people of northern New South Wales and the Waki Waki people of the southern coastal area of Queensland. She has exhibited at the National Gallery of Australia and was a co-founder of Boomalli, the Sydney Aboriginal Artists Collective. Fern has illustrated several children's picture books including the celebrated *The Toast Tree* (Corina Martin, Magabala Books 2015).



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