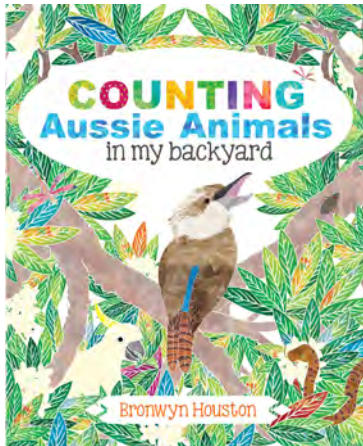


MEDIA RELEASE

Stunning new picture book from Bronwyn Houston



This October, Magabala releases the new counting book from accomplished artist and author Bronwyn Houston

Author and illustrator Bronwyn Houston has created a counting book full of vivid imagery that is sure to become a bedtime favourite.

Her unique visual style, developed in titles such as *Loongie the Greedy Crocodile* and *Staircase to the Moon* has been put to full use in this richly textured counting book. Colourful and vibrant, *Counting Aussie Animals* offers bold, legible text and memorable imagery that is perfect for early readers (and early counters)!

Join Bronwyn for a tour of her backyard, from the bugs that dwell under lush leaves to the eagles that soar and swoop from the sky, count the rich and varied inhabitants of a thriving tropical garden!

About the author

Bronwyn Houston is descended from the Niyiyaparli and Yindijbarndi people in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. She lives in Broome with her husband and three children.

Bronwyn finds inspiration in the landscape and colours of Broome, and the natural world of the Kimberley region, where she was born. For *Counting Aussie Animals in My Backyard* she has had to go no further than her own garden to unearth myriad fascinating creatures.

She has also created *Loongie the Greedy Crocodile* with Kiefer and Lucy Dann (2008), *Staircase to the Moon* (2010), which was adapted as a play and will tour the Kimberley in 2014, and *My Home Broome* (2011), a collaborative schools-based project with young WA writer, Tamzyne Richardson and student artists from three Broome-based primary schools.



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