

## COMING SOON: Magabala May Release

## Kimberley Aboriginal Stockmen tell their compelling stories

Raparapa presents the raw and gritty stories of the Aboriginal drovers and stockmen of the Kimberley, in their own words.

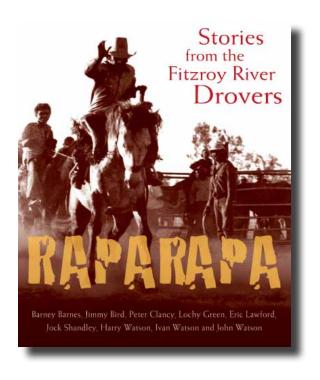
The determination of Senior Nyikina lawman, John Watson, to present an Aboriginal perspective has produced personal stories that show how these hard-working men adapted to station life and why they became the backbone of the pastoral industry in northern Western Australia.

Mustering and droving in open country for several months a year, the stockmen travelled through their traditional country uninhibited, and were able to maintain law and culture and land management practises.

Their foresight and perseverance has helped generations of Kimberley Indigenous people secure vast tracts of land where they now live with their families, running their own cattle stations.

Raparapa will be available from May 2011 in bookshops and online at www.magabala.com for \$29.95.

Launched in 1987, Magabala Books is a not-for-profit Aboriginal Corporation, based in Broome, that aims to promote, preserve and publish Indigenous Australian culture.



The text is wonderful. The photographs are haunting. This is another world. Most Australians have no idea. HON, MICHAEL KIRBY AC CMG

More Australians should read these stories which are intensely personal but which also show the contribution Aboriginal people have and are making to the Australian story.

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