



NATI FRINJ BIENNALE OCT 30-31, NOV 1  
PROGRAMME

# NATI FRINJ BIENNALE 2015

Another great festival, another wonderful team of locals, volunteers and artists pulling it all together for our pleasure. Thanks to absolutely everyone involved, it really couldn't have happened without you.

Most especially the incredible support and skills of the Frinj Production Manager Hannah French, ACT Chairperson Martin Bride, Lynne Quick, Mary French, Dave Jones, Jillian Pearce, Sarah Natali, Natasha Pavlin, Robbie Millar, Carolynne Hamdorf, Kane Hendy, Emma Wilson, Jess Hartridge, Oz, Adam Demmert, Duncan MacGregor, Verity Higgins, Alison Eggleton, Marion Matthews, Greg Pritchard, and so many more folk on the ground and in the air, up ladders and banging in star pickets.

Thank you and have a great festival, see you out there.

Kate Finnerty  
2015 Festival Director

## MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER FOR CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

NatiFrinj is a celebration of art, creativity and community.

Quirky and irreverent, bold and inspiring, it's a festival that encourages both artists and audiences to try something new. As a result there's always something to surprise and challenge us.

The Nati Frinj showcases Natimuk's extraordinary creative talent, and attracts artists from across the Wimmera, Victoria, Australia and beyond. Strong on collaboration, it is an exemplar of what a small community can achieve when it thinks big and creatively.

The Andrews Labor Government is a proud supporter of Nati Frinj, one of the most exciting events on our creative calendar.

Martin Foley  
Minister for Creative Industries

FESTIVAL INFO - NATIFRINJ@HOTMAIL.COM, NATIFRINJ.COM,  
TWITTER AND FACEBOOK



## TICKET SALES

Major performances might charge an entry fee, mentioned in the blurb if this is the case. This fee helps to cover some of the artist's costs such as transport, lights and PA hire. We thank you for your support.

Tickets can be purchased online from Oct 5 at [natifrinj.com](http://natifrinj.com) or at the Frinj HUB. Call in to the Frinj HUB and talk to one of our lovely volunteers if you have any questions.

All workshops must be pre-booked online from Oct 5 at [natifrinj.com](http://natifrinj.com) or at the Frinj HUB from Wed 30 October. Please note there will be no door sales for the workshops.

## FRINJ HUB

**10am - 5pm SAT and SUN**

Outta-towners and locals alike should head down to the Frinj HUB at NC2 for a number of fantastic performances but also programme updates and additions, maps, Frinj T-Shirts, local and regional information as well as lost clothing and children.

Limited Edition LOW IMPACT 2015 Frinj T-Shirts and Bags  
Organic and 90% Carbon Neutral T-shirts and bags with 100% citrus  
and soy based screen recycling process. Yay!  
Get your 2015 Frinj Freads from the Frinj HUB.

## HOW TO GET HERE

Natimuk is located 324 kms north-west of Melbourne on the Wimmera Highway. If you are coming on public transport the Vline bus/train travels daily from Melbourne's Spencer St Station and arrives in Horsham.

From Horsham to Natimuk you can.....make your own way.  
Fuel up before you arrive because there is no petrol in Natimuk.

## ACCOMMODATION

There is good camping at Mt Arapiles 8kms west of town and world-class rock climbing! Camping is also available 3kms out of town at the Natimuk Lake Caravan Park 0407 800 753. Bring a bike and torch for getting in and out! There is hotel accommodation in Horsham (26kms east), Edenhope (60kms west), Nhill (70kms north) and in the Wartook Valley in the Grampians (about an hour southeast).

Information on these can be accessed here  
[www.visithorsham.com.au](http://www.visithorsham.com.au)  
Horsham Visitor Information Centre 1800 633 218  
or just google one of the above towns, good luck!

# FOOD

Food! Yum, the back-bone of any good festival. While there will be a variety of eating establishments we still suggest you come somewhat prepared with some snacks and easy meals. Horsham (26kms east) has large supermarkets.

## **Natimuk Cafe - Natimuk Latina Cantina**

*Fri, Sat and Sun 8:30am - 10:30pm*

Many usual menu items will be on offer, with evening meals and some snacks having a distinctly latin feel. Breakfasts, smoothies, coffee and cake, Paella on Saturday night at the street stall, alcoholic bevies and additional takeaway coffee stall. You can lounge over in our Verj Gazebo if sitting inside the Cafe doesn't take your fancy.

Whatever and whenever. Vamos!

Breakfast 8.30am -12pm

Dinner 6.30 - kitchen closes 9pm

## **National Hotel**

*Fri, Sat and Sun*

*Bistro Open 12pm-2pm and 6pm-9pm Sun 8pm*

Pig on the Spit on Saturday at 6pm. Bar open 11am till late. ATM facilities

## **Nati Arapiles Shop**

*7:45am - 7:30pm*

Milk Bar, small general store, fish and chips, hamburgers and pizza's

## **Final Frinj Fling**

*Sun 6pm. Bar and live music till late*

Bit of a surf and turf theme, vegetarian option

## **Friday Frinj Food Market at Frinj HUB**

*Fri from 6pm, Saturday and Sunday*

Various options throughout the weekend including pancakes, sausage sizzle, cakes and slices, kebabs, Ice-Cream Social Truck, baked potatoes, salads and veg options

## **Natimuk Farmers' Market Plus**

*Sun 10am-1:30pm*

Sausage sizzle, sweet and savoury pancakes with both gluten free and vegan options.  
Tea & coffee. Bacon and eggs available from 8am to 10am

# AND LASTLY RESPECT AND RUBBISH

Traditionally Wotjobaluk land, Natimuk is a township that about 500 people call home.

When the Frinj comes to town this number swells to well over 2000. The locals are wonderfully supportive of the Nati Frinj and we ask that you respect private property and residences as well as public land. We also encourage you to be 'waste wise' and avoid bringing food with excessive packaging. There will be additional rubbish and recycling bins kindly provided by Horsham Rural City Council for most of your disposal needs. Perhaps ask a local if you want to add to their compost bin!

# FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER

EVENT	TIME START	TIME FINISH	DURATION	VENUE
<b>Found</b>	4:30 PM	5:10 PM	40 mins	Meet at the Verj Giant Tea-Pot
Hay and Thespian Parade Registration	5 PM	6 PM	1 hour	Uebergangs, top end of Main Street
<b>Hay and Thespian Parade</b>	6 PM	6:12(ish) PM	12 mins, (give or take 2.34 mins)	Service Road beside Main Street
Parade Prize Giving (and maybe a short speech or two)	6:15 PM	6:35 PM	20 mins	Natimuk Market Square
FOOD MARKET	6 PM	7 PM	1 hour	Natimuk Market Square
Music from <b>Todd Cook</b>	6:45 PM	7:30 PM	45 mins	Natimuk Market Square (Down by the creek - if wet the National Hotel)
<b>The Freda Experience</b>	7 PM	8:10 PM	70 mins	Masonic Hall
<b>Miniscularity</b> Exhibition Opening	7 PM	8:30 PM	1.5 hours	Goat Gallery
the space that binds us Power House Choir	7:30 PM 7:45 PM	Two singings!	5 mins	Old Power House
Murder, Maladies and Miscreants	7:50 PM Start 8 PM	8:45 PM	45 mins	Meet at Frinj HUB (NC2)
Fashion for Funerals and Fantasy Eulogies	8:30 PM Start 9 PM	10 PM	1 hour	Soldier's Memorial Hall
<b>Rising Lights</b>	Twilight	Midnight	Various	Around Town
Music from <b>Downbeat</b>	9 PM	9:45 PM	45 mins	Natimuk Hotel
The Nati Nightingale	10 PM	10:45 PM	45 mins	Soldier's Memorial Hall (Supper Room)
Music from <b>KriTtA</b>	10 PM	till late	Till your feet are sore from dancing!	Natimuk Hotel

# SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER - MORNING

More information regarding the listed events are to be found on the following pages

EVENT	TIME START	TIME FINISH	DURATION	VENUE
Yoga	8 AM	9:30 AM	90 mins	Skylines Gallery
Saturday Morning Pick - me - Up	9 AM	11 AM	2 hours	The Emporium
Found	10 AM	10:40 AM	40 mins	Meet at the Verj Giant Tea-Pot
Rosie Podge The Alien Who Saved the Day	10 AM	10:45 AM	45 mins	Frinj HUB (NC2)
Nightmare	10 AM	12 midday	8 min shows	The Verj - please book at the Frinj HUB (NC2)
Things that Fly in the night Workshop	11 AM	12:30 PM	90 mins	Band Rotunda (Soldiers Memorial Hall - Supper Room if wet)
the space that binds us - Walking Tour	11 AM	11:45 PM	45 mins	Meet at Frinj HUB (NC2)
Balance	12 midday	12:45 PM	45 mins	Dave's Shed
The Freda Experience	12 midday	1:10 PM	70 mins	Masonic Hall
Ophelia Sol	1 PM	1:30 PM	30 mins	RSL Hall
Juggling Beginner Workshop	1 PM	2 PM	1 hour	The Emporium
Frinjy Film Faves	1:30 AM	2:30 PM	1 hour	Frinj HUB (NC2)
Music Victoriana Gaye	2:15 PM	3 PM	45 mins	The Emporium
Made in Natimuk MiN Forum	3 PM	4 PM	1 hour	Frinj HUB (NC2)

# SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER - AFTERNOON AND EVENING

More information regarding the listed events are to be found on the following pages

EVENT	TIME START	TIME FINISH	DURATION	VENUE
Ophelia Sol	3 PM	3:30 PM	30 mins	RSL Hall
Juggling Advanced Workshop	3 PM	4 PM	1 hour	The Emporium
B.A.R.E	4 PM	4:30 PM	30 mins	Natimuk Market Square (Soldiers Memorial Hall - Supper Room if wet)
Balance	4 PM	4:45 PM	45 mins	Dave's Shed
Kane's Back Yard	4 PM	5:30 PM	90 mins	Kane's back yard
Bird, come closer into the falling	4 PM	6 PM	12 min shows	Shed (Behind the CFA Hall)
Rams to the Slaughter	4:30 PM	5:15 PM	45 mins	Frinj HUB (NC2)
Found	5 PM	5:40 PM	40 mins	Meet at the Verj Giant Tea-Pot
Nightmare	5 PM	7 PM	8 min shows	The Verj - please book at the Frinj HUB (NC2)
The Freda Experience	6 PM	7:10 PM	70 mins	Masonic Hall
Out of Order	6 PM	6:55 PM	55 mins	Lutheran Church Hall
Music from Todd Cook	7 PM	7:45 PM	45 mins	National Hotel
Murder, Maladies and Miscreants	7:50 PM Start 8 PM	8:45 PM	45 mins	Meet at Frinj HUB (NC2)
Ophelia Sol	8 PM	8:30 PM	30 mins	RSL Hall
Fashion for Funerals and Fantasy Eulogies	8:30 PM Start 9 PM	10 PM	1 hour	Soldier's Memorial Hall
Rising Lights	Twilight	Midnight	Various	Around Town
Step back in time Disco 1972 - 1992	10:30 PM	Late	Till your leotard drops!	Soldier's Memorial Hall (Supper Room)

# SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER - MORNING

More information regarding the listed events are to be found on the following pages

EVENT	TIME START	TIME FINISH	DURATION	VENUE
The Freda Experience	7:30 AM	8:40 AM	70 mins	Masonic Hall
Yoga	8 AM	9:30 AM	90 mins	Skylines Gallery
Sunday Morning Put - me - Down	9 AM	11 AM	2 hours	The Emporium
Step up for Down Syndrome	9 AM sign in 9:30 warm up 10 AM Start	Various	This does depend on walking speed!	Meet at Band Rotunda
B.A.R.E	9:30 AM	10 AM	30 mins	Meet at Band Rotunda Soldiers Memorial Hall if wet
Sunday Service	9:30 AM	10 AM	30 mins	Natimuk Market Square (Behind Court House)
Lino Cut W/S	9:30 AM 10:30 AM 11:30 AM	3 x one hour workshop	1 hour	Soldier's Memorial Hall Supper Room
Farmers' Market	10 AM	1:30 PM	3.5 hours	Natimuk Market Square
Ophelia Sol	11 AM	11:30 AM	30 mins	RSL Hall
Balance	11 AM	11:45 AM	45 mins	Dave's Shed
Make my Play Workshop 11am Performances 12pm	11 AM	12:30 PM	1.5 hour	Skylines Gallery
the space that binds us Walking Tour	11 AM	11:45 PM	45 mins	Meet at Frinj HUB (NC2)
Frinjy Film Faves	11:30 AM	12:30 PM	1 hour	Frinj HUB (NC2)
Music Victoriana Gaye	12 midday	12:45 PM	45 mins	The Emporium
Wimmera Women's Circus	12:30 PM	12:45 PM	15 mins	Natimuk Market Square
The Farmer's Cinematheque	1 PM	2 PM	1 hour	Frinj HUB (NC2)
Journey to the centre of the Earth	1 PM	1:55 PM	55 mins	Soldier's Memorial Hall



# SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER - AFTERNOON AND EVENING

More information regarding the listed events are to be found on the following pages

EVENT	TIME START	TIME FINISH	DURATION	VENUE
Manly Man's Workshop	1 PM	2 PM	1 hour	Skylines Gallery
Ophelia Sol	1:30 PM	2 PM	30 mins	RSL Hall
Music from Downbeat	1:30 PM	2:15 PM	45 mins	National Hotel
Acrobalance Workshop	2 PM	3 PM	1 hour	Soldier's Memorial Hall Supper Room
P.S.A Pleasant Sunday Afternoon	2 PM	3 PM	1 hour	Uniting Church
Tom Weston Poetry Reading	2 PM	2:45 PM	45 mins	The Emporium
Found	3 PM	3:40 PM	40 mins	Meet at the Verj Giant Tea-Pot
HERD - Auction	3:30 PM	4 PM	30 mins	Across Bridge - Old Sale Yards, Lake Ave
Balance	4 PM	4:45 PM	45 mins	Dave's Shed
Out of Order	4 PM	4:55 PM	55 mins	Lutheran Church Hall
Sex Cells	4 PM	5:30 PM	90 mins	Soldier's Memorial Hall Supper Room
Kane's Back Yard	4 PM	5:30 PM	90 mins	Kane's back yard
Music from Nick Clow	5 PM	5:45 PM	1 hour	The Emporium
Jeff Raglus and the Beachniks Food and Music	6 PM	till late	Unknown!	Natimuk Bowls Club
Murder, Maladies and Miscreants	7:50 PM Start 8 PM	8:45 PM	45 mins	Meet at Frinj HUB (NC2)
Rising Lights	Twilight	Midnight	Various	Around Town

# PERFORMANCES AND EVENTS

LIST OF PERFORMANCES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

## **B.A.R.E**

*(Castlemaine)*

*Sat 4pm - 4:30pm Market Square*

*(Soldiers Memorial Hall - Supper Room if wet)*

*Sun 9:30am - 10am Special B.A.R.E performance with Step up for Downs Syndrome, Band Rotunda (Soldiers Memorial Hall if wet)*

The Body Appliance Revival Experience (B.A.R.E.) is a participatory dance performance embodying domestic appliances of the past, present and future. If a washing machine were a dance move, what would it look like? Come and follow the moves! B.A.R.E is a Revival Experience for those who have witnessed the power appliances have gained over our lives, and who want to take the power back. You will be gently led through a dance-based interpretation of the appliances that inhabit our domestic worlds. From the machines of the past, to the smarter devices of the future, B.A.R.E. celebrates the physical impacts of appliances on our human lives.

## **Balance** *(Natimuk) Dave's Shed*

*Sat 12 midday - 12:45pm and 4pm - 4:45pm*

*Sun 11am - 11:45am and 4pm - 4:45pm*

Balance is a new work with a strong environmental message that gets children actively involved in the exploration of sustainability, recycling and alternative power generation.

Part game, part puppet show, with a whimsical but compelling narrative, an exciting blend of shadow puppetry, electronics, animation and live theatre and with a strong focus on active participation.

Balance gives the audience a hands on experience and a chance to step up and save the world.

Funded by the Australian Children's Theatre Foundation Commission



## **Bird, come closer into the falling** *(Maldon) Shed behind CFA Hall*

*Sat 4pm - 6pm, 10 minute shows*

**\$5** Limited spaces. Booking is recommended. Ph: 0414346436 Email: roseturtle@gmail.com

ROSE TURTLE ERTLER

Rose's new piece is a trilogy of videos which use exquisite natural environments as backgrounds for some strangely costumed action.

Live soundtrack.

Slightly uncomfortable seats.  
Ten minutes only.

## PERFORMANCES AND EVENTS

### **Fashion for Funerals and Fantasy Eulogies – Putting the FUN into Funerals** (*Ballarat/Horsham/Natimuk*) *Soldiers Memorial Hall*

*Fri 8:30pm, start 9pm - 10pm*

*Sat 8:30pm, start 9pm - 10pm*

**\$20 and \$15 concession**

**WE ARE ALL GOING TO DIE!**

Let's talk about it, cry about it, laugh about it, make art about it.

Death- Our collective yet predominantly ignored destiny will be faced and embraced using a multi-media theatrical fashion parade.

Fashion for Funerals and Fantasy Eulogies – Putting the FUN into Funerals is a story telling platform for writers', film and theatre makers, fashion designers', artists', psychologists' and scientists'.

Bringing death to life by creating a cultural shift in the way we grieve that makes our inevitable end accessible and acceptable. PG recommended.

Funded by the Regional Arts Fund, administered by Regional Arts Victoria. Sponsor, Yum Studio. Brought to you by Kat Pengelly – Artful Fashion Photo Title- "Revelation and Concealment" Credit- Nadia Moth! 2015



### **FOUND** (*Natimuk/Melbourne*) *The Verj, Giant Teapot*

*Fri 4:30pm - 5:10pm*

*Sat 10am - 10:40am and 5pm - 5:40pm*

*Sun 3pm - 3:40pm*

What starts with 't' ends with 't' and has 't' in it? That's where you'll discover the meeting place for young people at Nati Frinj. From there, find clues, solve riddles and unlock the stories of the Lost Children of Natimuk. Inspired and led by local youth in collaboration with recent VCA graduates, FOUND is a performative scavenger hunt for people of all ages.

Found is supported by the Victorian Government through Creative Victoria.

### **Hay and Thespian Mardi Gras Frinj Opening** *Fri night*

From 5pm - Registration for Parade, Uebergangs' front yard, top end of Main Street.

6pm - Parade

The Hay and Thespian will wind it's way down the Service Rd to the Market Square.

6:12pm (more or less) Frinj Opening and Parade Prize Giving!....and maybe a speech or two (we'll keep it short) Food, music, general mingling and celebrating, Hurrah!

# PERFORMANCES AND EVENTS CONT.....

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## **HERD** (Natimuk) About town

*HERD auction - Sun 3:30pm at the old sale yards  
(across the bridge, opposite milk bar)*

Some fine but extremely unusual beasts have been brought to Natimuk to take advantage of the free feed around town. The farmer hopes they will bring a decent price at the sale yards, despite the ordinary season.



## **Journey to the Centre of the Earth**

*(Castlemaine)  
Sun 1pm -1:55pm  
Soldiers Memorial Hall*

**\$10 and \$5 concession**

A fun, exciting performance told through storytelling, mime, puppetry, magical miniature worlds, surprising umbrellas and an erupting volcano. Classic action and adventure for children (4 plus) and families.



## **Kane's Back Yard** (Natimuk and invited guests) **\$10**

*Sat and Sun 4pm - 5:30pm, Kane's back yard (limited tickets, please pre-book)*

Need to escape the hustle and bustle of Frinj fired Natimuk? Come over, pull up a couch and relax in Kane's back yard. Enjoy a cocktail & snacks while you bliss out to an intimate acoustic jam session with random musicians. Two exclusive afternoons not to be missed!

## **MiN Made in Natimuk Forum** (Natimuk and invited artists)

*Sat 3pm - 4pm Frinj HUB (NC2)*

There is no shortage of artists, art and arts product coming out of Natimuk!

The MiN Forum is where you can sample the work of artists and art that has the unique look, energy and feel that is recognised as the Natimuk brand.

A mini performing arts market, within the Natimuk Frinj Biennale, where festival directors and presenters can view work to present in their town/venue/festival.



## PERFORMANCES AND EVENTS CONT.....

### **Murder, Maladies and Miscreants** (*Natimuk*)

*Fri, Sat, Sun 7:50pm start 8pm - 8:45pm Meet at Frinj HUB (NC2)*

#### **Donation to the Arapiles Historical Society**

Let us take you on a tour of the darker side of Natimuk. Founded by European migrants in the 1870's, the town has a colourful history of farming, climbing and footy... but what else has been going on? Join our alternative tour of Natimuk with Trevor Flinn as we explore the not-so well-known stories of the last 140 years as researched by Sally French.

Funded by the Regional Arts Fund, through the 'Toe in the Water' fund, administered by Regional Arts Victoria.

### **Nightmare** (*Castlemaine*)

*Sat 10am - 12 midday and 5pm - 7pm, 8 min show*

*The Verj near Band Rotunda, \$5 please book online or at the Frinj HUB*

Mixing side-show fun with spooky surrealism, Nightmare is an 8 minute experience performed to an audience of eight inside a horse float. Shepherded by a spine-chilling Usher, the audience are escorted up the ramp into a nightmarish world where golden skeletons pursue runaway tongues, puppets magically emerge, sensory thrills strum nerves and the audience are propelled towards an unforgettable ending.....I dare you to enter.

Suitability: We don't recommend Nightmare for children under 8. There's nothing gory but some younger children find it scary.

Show Credits: Created by Such As They Are – Eliza-Jane Gilchrist & Mark Penzak.  
Sound: Jacques Soddell. Costume: Lulu Lala. Developed through Castlemaine State Festival.

### **Ophelia Sol** (*Melbourne/VCA Graduate*)

*Sat 1pm - 1:30pm, 3pm - 3:30pm and 8pm - 8:30pm*

*Sun 11am- 11:30am, 1:30pm - 2pm*

*RSL Hall - this event is free but it may pay to pre-book or risk it and just turn up!*

In a fight to save the world from the hostility towards same-sex marriage, one soul augments our love for people not gender. The one and only, fabulously flamboyant, Ophelia Sol officially invites you to the Wedding of Pablo and Willamina. Come and join in Ophelia's interactive performance as she takes you on a rainbow filled journey about love, identity and self-expression.



## PERFORMANCES AND EVENTS CONT.....

### **Out of Order** (New Zealand)

Sat 6pm - 6:55pm and Sun 4pm - 4:55pm

Lutheran Church Hall

#### **\$10 please book online or at the Frinj HUB**

Like Toy Story but with appliances, Out of Order is a mad solo show that romps through the lives of various different machines and objects. From vacuum cleaners with asthma to depressed traffic lights these guys have broken down and are speaking out. PG Recommended



### **Rising Lights** (Natimuk and NSW)

*Throughout town, twilight till midnight and sometimes during the day.*

*Pick up a map from the Frinj HUB (NC2)*

Rising Lights connects local artists working with the medium of light and moving image. Discover the special local skill and sensibility that Natimuk artists have developed around light and moving image, in the temporary transformation of Natimuk sites into spaces of illusion, performance, shadow play and interaction.

Natimuk based animator Dave Jones will collaborate with a musician to create a performative music event using the town's new kinetic sculpture called 'The Thing', as both an instrument and upward projection point.

Hannah French will present two new works.

I'll tell you a story...

A small face emerging from inside the gaol cell tells a childhood story about loss, and ducks.

Overlaid: Shadow and Light

Three simultaneously projected sequences are obscured in a jumble of light. Move in front of these projections to reveal or obscure these scenes.

Kate Finnerty will develop Watershed; an intimate projection work that is an ode to the comfort of rain drops falling on the roof. (No doubt there will be an actual downpour over the festival weekend, hopefully a drought breaker!)

Informed by their time in Germany studying with the Company Theater der Licht und Schatten, Mary French and Jillian Pearce will capture, in shadow and light, some of the simple daily rituals of life in Natimuk. These will become a series of surprising projections throughout town.

Carolynne Hamdorf will present Garden 2045

Drying climate - Check

No further access to fossil fuels - Check

Soil moisture difficult to maintain - Check

Patented seed stock only - Check

Welcome to Garden 2045

As night falls, a giant lantern (the band rotunda) begins to glow in Natimuk's Main Street. Mary French will lead workshops before and during the festival to develop a series of flying creatures attracted to this beguiling light, participants will use the simple method of torchlight to make a projected image reflecting the night sky.

A collaboration between Greg Pritchard and NSW artists the Ronalds (Patrick and Shannon) extending their work from Sydney's Underbelly Festival in 2013. Streaming a live piece of theatre from the Nati Frinj program onto a non-traditional site.

This project has been assisted by the Australian Government through the Ministry for the Arts' Festivals Australia program.

## PERFORMANCES AND EVENTS CONT.....

### **Rosie Podge - The Alien Who Saved the Day** (Melbourne)

Sat 10am - 10:45am

Frinj HUB (NC2)

5 - 8 yr olds

Rosie is different.

Different from her family, from her classmates, different from everyone she's ever met.

Sometimes she feels like an alien dropped her off to school one day and left, never to come back.

It seems that no-one wants to know her except for the snails that hide in her secret spot at school under the apricot tree in the corner. But all that changes one day when everyone needs help and Rosie proves that being different isn't as bad as she thought. Join Rosie in an hilarious adventure that proves some of the weirdest ones amongst us are just heroes in disguise. Lemony S Puppet Theatre, Jacob Williams and Sarah Kriegler.



### **Sex Cells - The Professor's Return** (NT and Vic)

Sun 4pm - 5:30pm

Soldiers Memorial Hall, Supper Room

Think club armchairs and brandy balloons and men in corduroy jackets. A quiet and educational afternoon away from the hustle and bustle of the rest of the Frinj.

Three notable experts will give us a glimpse into the worlds they inhabit.

Mr. David Andrews, a high school Science teacher, will deliver "Mansplaining Lady Parts" the sex education talk he'd give his students if he were allowed...

Ms. Genevieve Lilley, a midwife, sexual health nurse and counselor, will expound on "Gooley Bits"...the low down and trivia you didn't know you needed to know about infections "down there"...

Dr Natasha Pavlin, GP and sexual health enthusiast, will give us all a little insight into "Happy Endings" or perhaps "Deforestation: the pubic louse to become an endangered species?"...she hasn't quite decided yet...

### **Step Up for Down Syndrome: A Journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step** Meet at the Band Rotunda, The Verj

Sun 9am registration, 9:30am warm-up and 10am walk

Join us on our Journey and Step Up! for Down Syndrome Victoria. Step Up brings together people with Down Syndrome and their 'Mates' - everyone from friends and family to teachers, politicians and co-workers to raise funds for education, support and advocacy programs. Join a team or start your own. In 2015 Step Up! will be held in 5 locations around Victoria culminating in the Natimuk Step Up! with a very special warm up from the B.A.R.E team.

Registrations are now open - join us and Step Up! for Down Syndrome

<http://stepupfordownsyndrome.org.au/event/stepup-vic>

For any enquiries, please email us: [info@dsav.asn.au](mailto:info@dsav.asn.au).



## PERFORMANCES AND EVENTS CONT.....

### **The Freda Experience** (Natimuk/Ballarat/Castlemaine)

*Fri 7pm - 8:10pm, Sat 12 midday - 1:10pm and 6pm - 7:10pm,*

*Sun - special alpine start (Frinj style) 7:30am - 8:40am*

*Masonic Hall (next to the Natimuk National Hotel)*

#### **\$15 and \$10 concession**

The Freda Experience is an immersive participatory theatre piece for an audience of 24, based on the life of Freda du Faur. The concept is to give the audience an evocative, lived experience of a young adventurous woman in the early 20th Century breaking the glass ceiling of convention.

The Freda Experience is funded by the Regional Arts Fund administered by Regional Arts Victoria and supported by the Victorian Government through Creative Victoria.

### **the space that binds us** (Natimuk/Dunkeld/Melbourne)

*Power House Choir, Fri 7:30pm and 7:45pm. Old Power House (Station St)*

*Walking Tour, Sat and Sun 11am - 11:45am. Meet at Frinj HUB (NC2)*

*Throughout town, various times - check project catalogue. Donations welcomed*

*Kasia Lynch / Rosa Tato / Katie Jacobs / Trevor Flinn / Alison Eggleton*

Explore the humorous and potentially endless idea of social connectedness at the familiar historic sites of the pub, the old school room, the Golden Fleece agent and the Old Power house. From human bunny baiting, to the ultimate Women's one song choir, the artists will strive to engage and delight you with interactive installations, sculpture, video art, sound and live art performance.

All open hours, map of sites, live art times and possible happenings can be found in the space that binds us, catalogue available at Nati Frinj Hub at NC2 or download from <http://natifrinj.com>.

### **Things that Fly in the Night** (Natimuk and you)

*Sat Workshop 11am - 12:30pm Band Rotunda, limited spaces.*

*(Soldiers Memorial Hall - Supper Room if wet)*

*Sat Performance, sometime after dark. Band Rotunda*

A 1.5 hour workshop to make a 'flying puppet' and rehearse for a short pop-up performance with artist Mary French. Workshop participants will make puppets, learn some very simple choreography and then perform with their puppets after dark.

The Natimuk Band Rotunda will be covered in black out material for the workshop and rehearsal ensuring that the secrets of the night creatures are held safe until the chosen hour!

### **Wimmera Women's Circus - Chicks with Baggage** (Wimmera)

*Sun 12:30pm - 12:45pm Market Square*

Festival favorites the Wimmera Women's Circus return to premier their latest off the boil performance Chicks with Baggage. Join them as they go free range with a whole hen house of new tricks. See what's hatched in the marketplace!

### **Yoga**

*Sat and Sun 8am - 9:30am Skylines Gallery*

*With extra special bonus Karma Yoga offered on Mon 2 Nov!*

#### **Donation**

Ahh yeah, stretch out those tight hamstrings, hmmm, take a few deep breaths, oh yeah.....AND then on Monday you have all day to practise the art of mindfulness as you take part in Karma Yoga, bump out, take down and tidy up!



# MUSIC

LIST OF PERFORMANCES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

## **Downbeat** (*Perth*)

*Fri 9pm - 9:45pm and Sun 1:30pm - 2:15pm Natimuk National Hotel*

Downbeat formed in Perth in 2013 to write and perform Ska, Reggae & Dub inspired compositions. The band uses drum & bass grooves to underpin infectious melodies that are difficult to forget. This is music with a social conscience that makes you get up and dance!

## **Jeff Raglus and the Beachniks** (*Lorne*)

*Sun 6pm till late (ish) Natimuk Bowl's Club*

**\$10 door sales and booking online** (Food available for additional cost)

Hurrah they're back! Rock on at the Bowl's Club, 'Nu Surf's' up in Natimuk!

'Nu-Surf' which is a blend (in equal amounts) of Dub reggae, 60's garage surf-rock, folk-pop and jazz. The Beachniks' are best known to play as an electric 4 piece with Simon Dawe on drums, Jeff Raglus on trumpet, guitar and vocals, Randall Forsythe on guitar and Evan Jones on bass.

C'mon share the local secret, and feel the noise of the Nu Surf Sound!

## **KriTta** (*Grampians*)

*Fri 10pm - till late*

*Natimuk National Hotel*

KriTta spawn from The Grampians region and have been playing together since August 2011. This will be KriTta's third appearance at Nati Frinj - just try and keep them away!

Expect an energetic and fun driven performance with Tenor Sax, Alto Sax, Recorder, Didgeridoo, Guitar, Bass, Drums, Percussion and Vocals. Dance till it hurts with eclectic styles of Eastern Gypsy Jive, Local Voodoo Boogie, Sea Shanty Pirate Rock, Dark Alien Country and Awkward Hillbilly Pop!



## **Nick Clow** (*Sydney*)

*Sun 5pm - 5:45pm The Emporium*

Classical Guitar Recital drawing upon some popular pieces from the classical guitar repertoire and some more contemporary pieces.

## **Saturday Morning - Pick me up!** (*The Dandenongs*)

*Sat 9am - 11am The Emporium*

Forget the Berocca! Damo's morning set of tunes will support mental sharpness and promote physical energy in preparation for the day ahead. This statement has not been evaluated by the food and drug administration but it has been endorsed by the Festival Director!

## MUSIC CONT....

### **Step Back in Time Disco 1972 - 1992** *(The Dandenongs)*

*Sat 10:30pm - 1am Soldiers Memorial Hall*

Com'on strike a pose, there's nothing to it!  
It makes no difference if u'r black or white.  
If U'r a boy or a girl.  
If the music's pumping it will give U new life.  
Nati, U'r a superstar, yes that's what U r, U know it!  
Cos Nati U were made 4 loving me and I was made 4 loving U.  
Xx U'r Rocket Man.  
Meet me in a Bar called the Supper Room.  
Dress as your favourite Rock Star 1972 - 1992  
I will know who U R!



### **Sunday Morning - Put me down** *(The Dandenongs)*

*Sun 9am - 11am The Emporium*

Gently does it, we don't want anything too extreme this early on a Sunday morning.  
Damo's morning tunes will gently guide you into a state of consciousness most beneficial for another day of Frinjing.

### **The Nati Nightingale** *(The Dandenongs)*

*Fri 10pm - 10:45pm Soldiers Memorial Hall, Supper Room*

Late night performance of Romantic songs dedicated to the nightingale by our favourite 'Opera in the Air' Soprano Isabel Hertaeg.

### **Todd Cook** *(Gippsland)*

*Fri 6:45pm - 7:30pm Market Square by creek (Natimuk National Hotel if wet)*

*Sat 7pm - 7:45pm Natimuk National Hotel*

Todd's emotive lyrics, earthy tones and raw appeal connect to a wide variety of listeners. His songs float from intricate folk fingerpicking styles to driving rhythms that stir the soul.

His stories of Australian landscapes and people are accompanied with mesmerizing didgeridoo and a depth that always engages and entertains.



### **Victoriana Gaye** *(Lorne)*

*Sat 2:15pm - 3pm & Sun 12 midday - 12:45pm*

*The Emporium*

Sometimes whimsical, sometimes romantic and sometimes rockin' Victoriana Gaye is husband and wife duo Vicki Gaye Philipp and Jeff Raglus (Bachelors from Prague, Black Sorrows, and Frinj favourites The Beachniks).

Their sound, a quirky combination of pop and folk with a tiny bit of grunge. The couple play a mix of acoustic and electric guitars, trumpet, harmonica and deliver sweet harmonies.



# WORKSHOPS

LIST OF WORKSHOPS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

\*PLEASE PRE-BOOK FOR ALL WORKSHOPS ONLINE OR AT THE FRINJ HUB OR NC2 FROM WED 30 OCTOBER AS PLACES ARE LIMITED AND THERE WILL NOT BE VENUE SALES FOR WORKSHOPS

## **A Manly Man's (not enough blokes on the dance floor) Workshop**

(Melbourne) Sun 1pm - 2pm

Skylines Gallery

Back by popular demand!

The manly men's man can ( "members" only) workshop (not for women folk grrrrrr). What is being a man? What does it mean to be manly? What are men all about? What is going on? What is this workshop about?... no seriously.

In this workshop we will not answer any of these questions, but if we do it will be by accident and we will probably be unaware that any answers are present. Or maybe, we might build , or wreck , or fix, or fight something in a typically male way ... or we might do some pole dancing.



## **Acrobalance with the Wimmera Women's Circus** (Wimmera)

Sun 2pm - 3pm Soldiers Memorial Hall (Supper Room) \$5

For the young ones, age 6 - 12.

Hopefully you can balance on your feet, but what about on someone else's?

This workshop will look at balancing yourself, helping to balance others and balancing together.

## **Juggling** (Melbourne)

Beginner Workshop, Sat 1pm - 2pm

Advanced Workshop, Sat 3pm - 4pm

The Emporium \$5

Whether you are a little bit good at juggling or not very bad, whether you are highly capable at being inconsistent or constantly inconsistent at being incapable, this juggling workshop could be for you. Or it might not be. If you don't like juggling then maybe this juggling workshop would be a good chance for you to participate in some tea drinking. Otherwise, come and throw some stuff, come and catch some stuff. Come and juggle some stuff. It's fun.

## **Make a Mini Print** (Melbourne)

Sun 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30 (1 hour workshops, max 10 participants per session, age 15+)

Soldiers Memorial Hall (Supper Room) \$10

Explore the wonderful simple process of making a lino-cut with artist and print maker Bridget Hillebrand. Inks, tools and techniques including hand printing and using a press will be demonstrated. Take home your very own mini print ready to frame!

## **Make my Play - micro playwriting workshop** (ex Natimuckian)

Sun 11am - 12pm Workshop, 12pm - 12:30pm Public Presentation

Skylines Gallery \$10

A micro-play writing workshop with Anna Loewendahl

Ever wanted to write a play? Through an intensive writing process you will create a dazzling micro play of 3 minutes long and share it with other people at the Frinj.

No experience necessary. Bring a laptop or ipad, or paper will be provided.

If you are really hooked you can come and read/perform your micro-play in at La Mama, Melbourne, a week later!!

## FILMS/POETRY

### **Frinj Film Faves - the greatest hits of films past and the favourites to come**

*Sat 1:30pm - 2:30pm and Sun 11:30am - 12:30pm*

*Frinj HUB (NC2)*

A selection of some of the films from Natimuk and surrounds that we all just need to see again. These are the ones that made you laugh, cry and cringe. Also featuring some new locally brewed films to celebrate the future of film-making in the Wimmera. Featuring Teacher's Pet by Tracey Rigney and Desiree Cross with the students of Dimboola Primary, The Last Act, directed by Douglas Hockley and The Rhyme of the Ancient Merino, directed by Dave Jones.

### **Rams to the Slaughter** (Natimuk)

*Sat 4:30pm - 5:15pm*

*Frinj HUB (NC2)* **Donation to the Natimuk Rams**

The Rams are an Australian Rules football team, representing Natimuk where footy is followed with religious fervour.

The Rams have not won a game for almost two seasons and dwindling player numbers threaten the very existence of the club. This documentary takes the viewer on an emotional roller-coaster following the club through the 2001 season - into the start of 2002. Written and directed by Simon Mentz



### **The Farmer's Cinematheque** (Melbourne/Rupanyup)

*Sun 1pm - 2pm Frinj HUB (NC2)*

For more than fifty years, Relvy Teasdale and his son John made beautiful films on their farm and within their community at Rupanyup in the Wimmera. Combining sequences from their archive with contemporary footage and voices, THE FARMER'S CINEMATHEQUE is a lyrical film about the power of memory, the nature of our attachment to country and the ways in which communities strive to balance change and tradition.

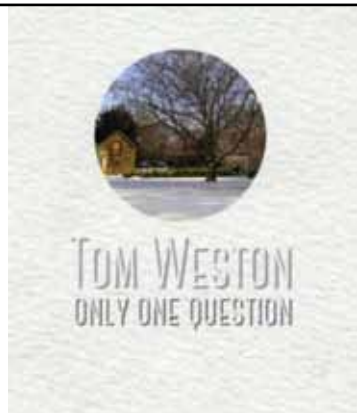
A film by Reckless Eye Productions, written and directed by Malcolm McKinnon and Ross Gibson, produced by Annie Venables, cinematography by Ben Speth, music by Chris Abrahams

### **Tom Weston** (New Zealand)

*Sun 2pm - 2:45pm The Emporium*

Tom Weston is a New Zealand poet whose work has been published in numerous literary journals, magazines and anthologies, and his poem, 'Traffic Noise' features online in Best New Zealand Poems 2008.

Tom Weston's latest volume of poetry is Only One Question (Steele Roberts, 2014). A poem from this collection, 'The Old Dog' appears online on the Best American Poetry blog. This is Tom's fourth visit to the Nati Frinj but we just have to have him back to hear his most recent poems.



# VISUAL ART

LIST OF VISUAL ART IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

## **Arapiles Art and Craft Centre** (Wimmera)

*Fri 5:30pm - 7:30pm, Sat 10am - 4pm and Sun 10am - 1:30pm*

*Arapiles Art and Craft Centre (near Frinj HUB, NC2)*

For the true local experience of 'Made in Natimuk' get yourself down to the Arapiles Art and Craft Centre. Local ladies and some chaps have been busy knitting, sewing, making, gathering and baking all sorts of treats in anticipation of the Nati Frinj. Local produce and flowers too, very nice!

## **Arapiles Historical Society** (Wimmera)

*Fri 6pm - 7pm, Sat and Sun 10am - 4pm Court House*

### **Entry - Donation to the Arapiles Historical Society**

A photographic exhibition of old scenes from the Wimmera region, a history of climbing at Mt Arapiles and a collection of random and interesting climbing memorabilia.

## **Dark Days** (Natimuk)

*Sat and Sun 8am - 6pm Skylines Gallery*

A photographic exhibition of black and white landscapes by local artist Douglas Hockly.

## **Death by Soprano - The Photographic Exhibition** (Melbourne)

*Fri, Sat and Sun 8:30am - 10:30pm Natimuk Cafe*

An exhibition with a higher death-toll than a Jean-Claude Van Damme Blockbuster. Death By Soprano depicts Soprano characters who die in opera. A collaboration between Photographer Georgia Laughton and Soprano Isabel Hertaeg. Appreciation of Opera not required.

## **Draw what you see... draw what you think you see**

*Hannah French About town*

Have you found a picture frame in town? Sit yourself down, grab the clipboard and take a moment to draw what you see, or even better, what you think you see through the frame\*. Drop off your artwork at the Frinj Hub when you are done. Artworks will be shared online after the festival.

\*No excuses of 'I can't draw' allowed - I'm looking at you grown-ups.

## **Miniscularity** (Wimmera and beyond)

*Opening Fri 7pm - 8:30pm, Sat and Sun 10am - 4pm Goat Gallery*

...an exhibition that puts the lower case 'j' into Frinj

The Natimuk Frinj Festival for 2015 is proud to present an exhibition of the diminutive, the minute, the miniscule and the downright teensy-weensy.

## **Third Golden Needle Yarn Bomb Competition**

Yup, it'll be hard to beat 'The Bridge' from 2013 by Sarah, Lexi and friends but don't let that stop you. Anything can be enhanced with a wee spot of yarn bombing! Take some measurements now and get yarning. You may install your work under the cover of darkness or sometime during Frinj. On your own or in a group. You may leave a tag to identify the artist/s involved.

# OTHER HAPPENINGS

LIST OF OTHER HAPPENINGS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

## **Art Pumping Action** (*Natimuk*)

*Fri 7pm - 9pm, Sat and Sun 10am - 6pm*

*The Verj*

Back by popular demand! Create your own art action with a bike-driven computer game that combines cutting-edge virtual reality with bicycle power to get your pulse pounding.

Natimuk Art Pumping Action designed and created for the 2013 Nati Frinj by artist Dave Jones in collaboration with local young people.

## **PSA - Pleasant Sunday Afternoon**

*Sun 2pm - 3pm*

*Uniting Church Hall*

A chilled out afternoon with the folk from the Uniting Church, cuppa afterwards.

## **Natimuk Farmers Market Plus** (*Wimmera*)

*Sun 10am - 1:30pm Market Square*

Showcasing Local & Regional Produce

A people's market comprising of three distinct sections: The Farmer's Market, Left Bank Artist section and Picnic Craft areas. A place where people gather to support produce growers including organic producers, local artists and craft persons in a vibrant and lively village atmosphere.

And FOOD!

Community groups provide sausage sizzle, farm fresh turkey and gluten free beef sausages. There will be sweet and savoury pancakes with both gluten free and vegan options and tea & coffee. There will be bacon and eggs available from 8am to 10am.

If you are interested in a stall or busking, contact Judith on 0429 328 600.

## **Sunday Service**

*Sun 9:30am - 10am Behind Court House*

A Christian ecumenical community service celebrating the origin of creativity. All welcome. Bring a chair or rug to sit on.

## **THIS Ensemble**

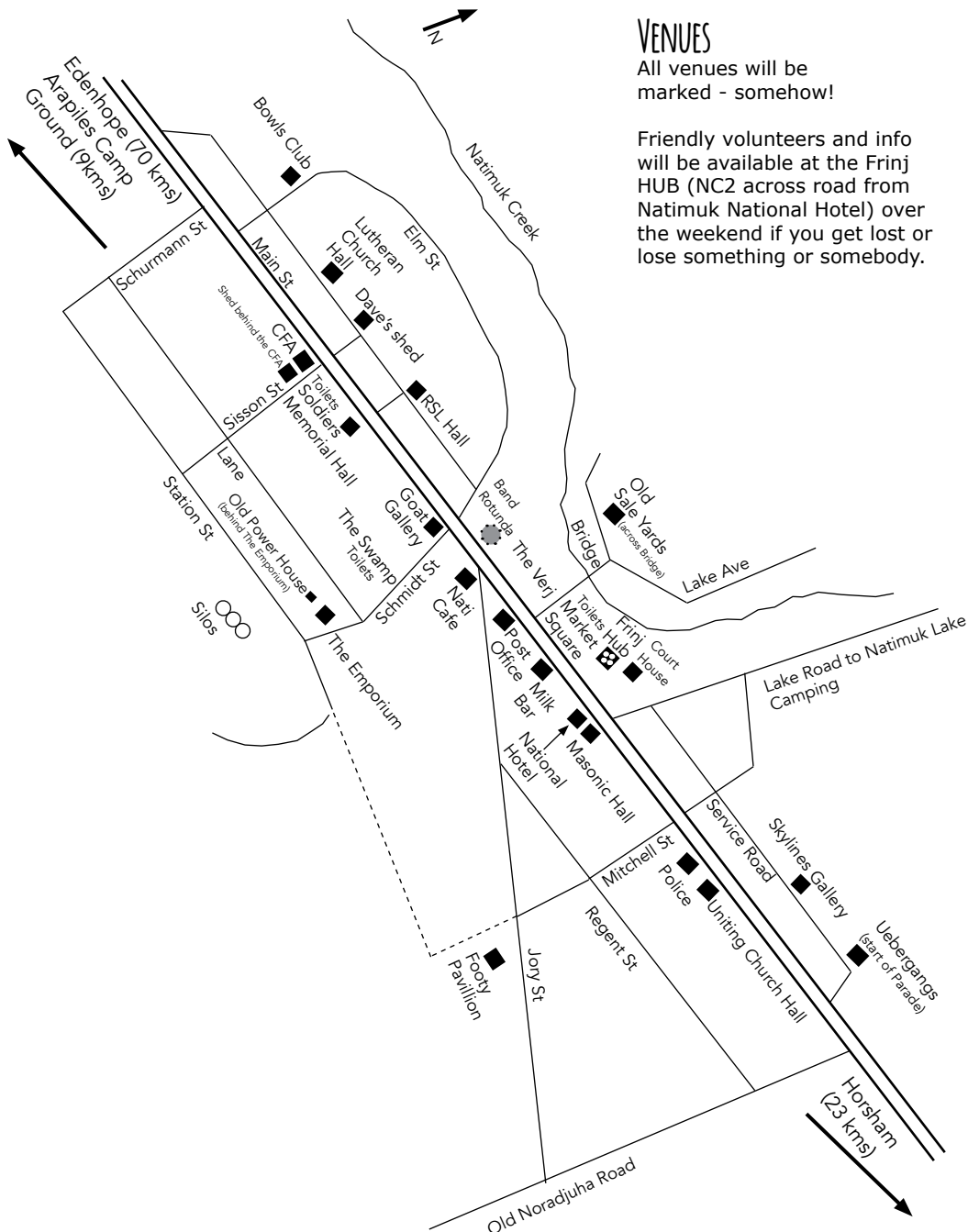
*(Castlemaine and beyond)*

*Pop -up performances during festival*

We aim to stimulate a space/location by our presence and interactivity. It is hard to say exactly how our work will play out as this is predicated upon how and with what and whom the performers interact. We may be a non-intervening presence or we may become immersed in or instigators of overt physical activity. We use aural, visual and theatrical mediums not as entertainment but as engagement with the life around us.







WELCOME, it is good that you have come to the land of the Wotjobaluk. We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we are meeting, their Elders past and present and Elders here today. We acknowledge and pay our respects to the five Traditional Owner groups of the Wimmera Region; the Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawadjali, Wergaia and Jupagalk people.



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