

## NEIL MURRAY

**Songwriter • Author • Poet**

Neil Murray is one of Australia's most original and respected songwriters. He also enjoys significant appreciation for his articles, stories and poems. He has been a professional writer, performer and musician since 1983.

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### PUBLISHED BOOKS

**Native Born - Songs of Neil Murray**

One Day Hill Publishing 2009

**Sing for me Countryman**

First published by Hodder & Stoughton 1993

Independently republished 2004, printed by Griffin Press.

**One Man Tribe**

Collection of poetry published by Charles Darwin University Press, 1999

**Starting Procedure (poetry)**

Self published through Papunya Literature Production Centre 1980

### SHORT STORIES

**Home and Away** - The Bulletin 1983

**Boomerangs** - Going Down Swinging 1983

**Two Stones** - Inprint 1983

**One Last Hitch** - The Edge, 1989

**The Risks of Two-up** - Motorcycling, Australian Short Stories 1987

**Unmarked Graves** - included in Banjo Clarke's Wisdom Man, Penguin Australia 2003

### ARTICLES

**A Guide to Boomerang Buying** - On the Street 1983

**Turning up the stars full blast** - Australian Playboy, 1984

**Over the back fence** - Follow me Gentleman 1986

**He's my brother** - The Australian Way, July 1989

**The Getting of Banjos Wisdom** - The Age, 25 April 2000

**Was True Blue a Blackfella?** - The Age, 6 July 2002

**Gunnedah Dreaming** - The Age Review, 3 July, 2004

**No Flowers** - The Monthly, 3 August, 2005

**How Many Sleeps?** - The Monthly, January 2006

**A Healing Walk** - published 2009 in the University of Portland Magazine, Vol 28, No 2

### STAGE PLAY

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## King For This Place

Commissioned by Deckchair Theatre 1999.

Performed for a three week season at Deckchair theatre, Fremantle, Western Australia, 1999

## SCREEN PLAYS

### Desert Stars

AFC Funded to 4<sup>th</sup> draft stage 1993. Un-produced.

## ENDORSEMENT PIECES

Introduction to Caz Gallery Catalogue 1988. Los Angeles

**Jandamarra and the Bunuba Resistance** by Howard Pederson, Magabala Books 1995

**Desert Footy** - an essay included in *Centre Bounce-* football from Australia's heart by Jesse Marlow  
Hardie Grant Books, 2003

Introduction to Australian Galleries exhibition of David Frazer's paintings "The Escape" 2005

## FORWARDS

**Whispering along the Wannon** - CMA publication 2002

## INDIVIDUAL POEMS PUBLISHED

**Declaring the Stepchild, Contact 2** - Booklet of Fatherhood CD - Pathways Foundation Limited 2003

**The call from East Timor** - Folk Alliance news letter, and Northerly Vol. 1, No 1, 2000

**Freemans Gold** - The Age, October 2000

**Windy Mick and The Falcon** - Limited Edition Poster print 1993  
( recorded live on Carnivale Live on tour CD)

**This bands never gonna die** - Off the Page 1991

**The language of eyes** - Overland 1991

**Sunshine Autumn** - Poets Choice 1978

Other poems have appeared in See Page 207, Chook Chook, Streetpoetry, Compass, Overland, Northern Perspective, North of the Ten Commandments, Poetic Licensees.

Broadcast on ABC radio, 3CR, 3RRR,2EA, 2-SER, 8CCC, 2JJJ

## RECORDINGS

ALBUM : **Jailanguru Pakarnu** - Warumpi Band  
Single: Hot records 1983 - B side Kintorelakutu  
Film Clip: Jailanguru Pakarnu

ALBUM : **Big Name No Blankets** - Warumpi Band  
Festival Records first released through Powder works/RCA 1985  
Singles: Breadline, Blackfella Whitefella  
Film Clips: Breadline,Blackfella Whitefella

ALBUM : **Go Bush** - Warumpi Band  
Festival Records 1987  
Singles: My Island Home - B side Didjeridoo Blue  
Film Clip: My Island Home

ALBUM : **Too Much Humbug** - Warumpi Band  
CAAMA Music - 1996  
Singles: Stompin Ground  
Film Clips: Stompin Ground, Wayathul, Stars

ALBUM : **Calm and Crystal Clear** - Neil Murray  
Festival Records 1989. (ABC Music/Universal)  
Singles: Calm And Crystal Clear, Lets fall in love again - B side Wild Country, Ocean of Regret - B side Silver City,  
Cleverman - B side Seven Days of rain  
Film Clips: Calm & Crystal Clear, Lets Fall In Love Again)

Single: **Far Away** - Neil Murray (p) Island Home Music  
B sides Swagman's rest, Menindee  
Massive Records 1992

ALBUM : **These Hands** - Neil Murray (p) Island Home Music Pty Ltd  
Mushroom Records 1993. Re-released independantly 1999  
Re-released with Shock Records 2004  
Singles: Holy Road, Sing Your Destiny - B sides Broken Song, Calm & Crystal Clear, One True Place  
Film Clips: Holy Road, Sing Your Destiny

ALBUM : **Dust** - Neil Murray (p) Island Home Music  
ABC Music 1996. Re-released with Shock Records 2004  
Singles (1996): This Bliss - B sides Love or Misery, Great Redeeming Actions, Give this day- B side In my Heart

ALBUM : **The Wondering Kind** - Neil Murray ) Island Home Music  
ABC Music 2000 Distributed with Shock Records from 2004

ALBUM : **Going The Distance** - Neil Murray (p) Island Home Music  
Distributed by Shock Records 2004.  
Film Clips:- Over the Moon, Holding on to sky

ALBUM : **About Time - A song collection (2CD set)** - Neil Murray (p) Island Home Music  
Distributed by Shock Records 2005  
Film Clip: Tom Wills Would

ALBUM : **2 Songmen - Shane Howard and Neil Murray live in Darwin**  
Independent limited release (p) 2007 ABC  
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ALBUM : **Spoken** - Neil Murray (p) Island Home Music  
Distributed by Shock Records 2007

ALBUM : **Overnighter** - Neil Murray (p) Island Home Music  
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Film Clip: - Lights of Hay

ALBUM : **Witness - Neil Murray** (p) Island Home Music  
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