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KIM SCOTT HAZEL BROWN

KAYANG & ME

... in recording Brown's vivid oral histories and marrying them on the page with his own musings and research, he has fashioned a new kind of message stick.

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This book is brilliant. Read it because it is imaginatively conceived and beautifully crafted. And read it because it matters.

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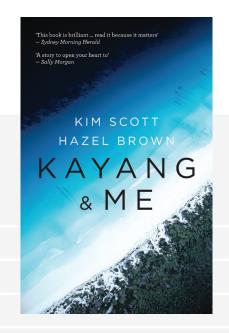
Award-winning novelist Kim Scott and his elder, Hazel Brown, have created a monumental family history of the Wilomin Noongar people. *Kayang & Me* is a powerful story of community and belonging, revealing the deep and enduring connections between family, country, culture and history that lie at the heart of Indigenous identity.

About the Authors

Kim Scott was born in 1957 and grew up on the south coast of Western Australia. He began writing for publication when he became a teacher of English and his first novel, *True Country*, was published in 1993 by Fremantle Press. His novel *Benang: from the Heart* won the 2000 Miles Franklin Award. In 2011 Scott won a second Miles Franklin Award for *That Deadman Dance*. He has had poetry and short stories published in a number of anthologies. Hazel Brown is the senior elder of a large, extended family. She has worked as a rural labourer, was a member for WA's first metropolitan Commission of Elders, and is a registered native title claimant.

Notes

- This is an acclaimed and popular memoir from Kim Scott, the first Indigenous winner of Australia's most prestigious literary award, the Miles Franklin Award.
- Scott's most recent novel was the bestseller *That Deadman Dance*.
- As well as winning the Miles Franklin Literary Award twice he has won thirteen major literary awards and was named Western Australian of the Year in 2012.



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