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SEEING SALTWATER COUNTRY

by SALLY MAYMAN and DALE KENTWELL

Foreword by Dr. Jeff McMullen AM

ABOUT THE BOOK

The Dampier Peninsula in Australia's north-west is home to many remote Aboriginal communities. Painter Dale Kentwell and photographer Sally Mayman have collaborated with the people of the region in a series of portraits that depicts remote community life and celebrates the beauty of a place unlike any other. At the heart of these portraits is a strong and enduring connection to country.



Sally Mayman has been a photographer since the 1980s, working professionally in London and Australia. Sally has specialised in photographing people and landscapes, with many clients from corporate, editorial and government organisations.

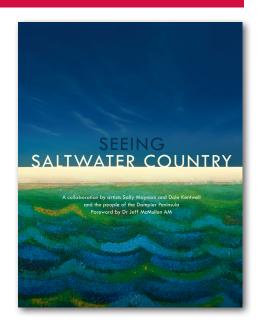
Dale Kentwell has been a practising artist since the 1980s and works across different media. She completed an art certificate at TAFE NSW and a BA and MA in visual arts at UNSW Art and Design. She has studied bush regeneration and bush land management and continues to work in this field

KEY POINTS

- This book will appeal to people interested in art and photography and to those wanting to learn more about Aboriginal cultures and communities. It will also appeal to tourists visiting Australia's popular Kimberley region.
- The beautiful artwork featured is the result of a unique collaboration by artists Sally Mayman and Dale Kentwell with the people of the Dampier Peninsula. The authors have pledged to donate their royalties from sales of the book to the Dampier Peninsula communities to support further arts initiatives.
- The Dampier Peninsula is often in the news: most recently for the discovery of the world's biggest dinosaur footprint in a region now recognised as one of the richest and most diverse for dinosaur tracks. Previously the Dampier Peninsula was associated with the local communities' successful fight to save the area from becoming the site of a natural gas plant.

PRAISE FOR THE BOOK

'Sally Mayman and Dale Kentwell, with the camera and canvas, have beautifully conveyed in an honest and warm-hearted way what country means to the Aboriginal peoples living on Saltwater Country in the Dampier Peninsula. Listen to their stories. Listen to the country sing to us all.' *Dr Jeff McMullen AM*



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