

YINGA-BUL 2018 NGALAK WARANGKA: SONGS IN NOONGAR LANGUAGE

Saturday 7 July 7pm, Salon

PRESENTED BY

Melbourne Recital Centre

ARTISTS

Gina Williams vocals/guitar

Guy Ghouse vocals/guitar

ABOUT THE ARTISTS

Noongar singer-songwriter **Gina Williams** and guitarist **Guy Ghouse** capture the hearts and imaginations of audiences all over the country through the power of song. Combining evocative sounds and natural acoustic instruments with their incredibly beautiful voices, the rhythms of the Noongar language are masterfully brought to life in their songs. Their music has 'laid down an important stepping stone in what will hopefully be an irresistible and sustained renaissance in Noongar language and culture.' *The West Australian*

Gina Williams is a daughter of the Balladong people, one of the 14 clan groups which make up the Noongar nation of West Australia. Gina's music is informed by an ancient culture, and draws from a deep well of recent West Australian and even deeper personal history. For her, writing and singing songs in the beautiful yet critically endangered Noongar language is a personal mission.

There are few guitarists who connect with their music and perform as uncompromisingly as Guy Ghouse. With a musical pedigree that can be traced back to the 1920s, it seemed only natural that, at the tender age of eight, Guy would follow his parents' and grandparents' footsteps and pick up the guitar. Guy is best known for his performances with the insanely talented duo Desert Child.

Melbourne Recital Centre acknowledges the people of the Kulin Nation on whose land this concert is being presented.



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