Anzacs: remembering our heroes. 11 x 15 min. SBS, 2015. 355 DVD

A series of 11 15-minute documentaries produced by NITV which acknowledges the contributions of Indigenous people to Australia's military efforts from the time of the Boer War to the present day.

Classification: PG (Mild themes)

The apology to the stolen generations of Australia. 30 min. Parkes, ACT: Reconciliation Australia, 2008. Narrated by Jack Thompson. 305.89 DVD

"The apology to the Stolen Generations by the Australian Parliament on 13 February 2008 was a powerful and memorable moment in the nation's history, for Indigenous and non-Indigenous people alike. Saying sorry cleared the air, inspiring Australians to believe we really can build the kind of respectful relationships needed for positive, long term outcomes. The apology begins two days before the historic event as people began to gather in Canberra. It includes interviews, stories and many special moments including the first Welcome to Country in the Federal Parliament. The film captures the anticipation on a thousand faces as Prime Minister Kevin Rudd delivers the apology, and then the spontaneous outpouring of emotion all around the country. Jack Thompson's narration, Shelley Reys' thoughtful commentary and the music of Powderfinger, Silverchair, John Butler, Missy Higgins and the Stiff Gins all help make this film a truly uplifting experience." – Container.

Classification: Exempt. For educational use only.

Etched in bone. 73 min. Canberra: Red Lily Productions: Ronin Films (distributor), 2018. 305.89 DVD

"Drawing on original footage from National Geographic, this carefully crafted documentary explores the impact of one notorious bone theft by a member of the 1948 American-Australian Scientific Expedition to Arnhem Land. Hundreds of bones were stolen and deposited in the Smithsonian Institution in Washington DC. When the location of the bones became known to Arnhem Landers in the late 1990’s, elders called for their return. This resulted in a tense standoff with the Department of Anthropology at the Smithsonian – and eventually in the repatriation of the bones."

– Distributor.

Classification: Exempt. For educational use only.

Gurrumul. 96 min. Australia: Distributed by Madman Entertainment, 2017. 305.89 DVD

Celebrated by audiences at home and abroad, Indigenous artist Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu was one of the most important and acclaimed voices to ever come out of Australia. Blind through songs and music inspired by his community and country on Echidna Island in far North East Arnhem Land."

– Distributor.

Classification: PG (Infrequent mild coarse language)

Naa muru gurung: to see a path for children. 75 min. Sydney: NSW Teachers Federation and Matilda Films, 2018. 305.89 DVD


Classification: Exempt. For educational use only.

Redfern now: the complete series directed by Catriona McKenzie … et al. 761 min. Australian Broadcasting Corporation, 2015. 305.89 DVD

"Celebrated by audiences and critics alike, over two series and one telemovie, the multiple award-winning Redfern now explores powerful stories of contemporary inner-city Indigenous life." – Back cover.

Classification: MA (Strong sexual violence and themes)


Based on the novel The secret river by Kate Grenville.

"In 1806 William Thornhill, a man of quick temper and deep feelings, is transported from the slums of London to New South Wales for the term of his natural life. With his wife Sai and their children he arrives in a harsh land he cannot understand. But the colony can turn a convict into a free man. Eight years later Thornhill sails up the Hawkesbury to claim a hundred acres for himself. Aboriginal people already live on that river. And other recent arrivals Thomas Blackwood, Smasher Sullivan and Mrs Herring are finding their own ways to respond to them. Thornhill, a man neither better nor worse than most, soon has to make the most difficult choice of his life." – Publisher.

Classification: M (Mature themes, violence, sex scene and coarse language)
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- 88 [G]
- art + soul: a personal journey into the world of Aboriginal art [PG]
- Babakiuera [Barbeque area] [PG]
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- Black chicks talking [M]
- Black and white [M]
- Blackfellas [MA]
- Blacktracker [Exempt]
- Boxing for Palm Island [PG]
- Bran nue dae [PG]
- Broken English [Exempt (for educational use only)]
- Contact [PG]
- The convincing ground [Exempt]
- Croker Island exodus [G]
- Deadly yarns [Exempt (for educational use only); Ronin recommends G]
- Deadly yarns 2 [Exempt (for educational use only); Ronin recommends G]
- Deadly yarns 3 [Exempt (for educational use only); Ronin recommends G]
- Deadly yarns 4 [Exempt (for educational use only); Ronin recommends G]
- Dhakiyarr vs the King [Exempt (for educational use only)]
- The dreaming [Exempt (for educational use only)]
- The dreaming [foreign language versions]
- First Australians: the untold story of Australia [Exempt (for educational use only)]
- First contact [M]
- First footprints [PG]
- The forgotten [Exempt] 355 DVD
- The Foundation 1963-1977 [Exempt (for educational use only); Ronin recommends G]
- Freedom ride [Exempt]
- Freedom rides – 40 years on [Exempt, but contains some strong language and adult themes]
- The fringe dwellers [PG]
- From little things, big things grow [Exempt]
- Harry’s war [M] 355 DVD
- How the west was lost: the story of the 1946 Aboriginal pastoral workers’ strike [G]
- Island home country [G]
- It’s a long road back [Exempt; Ronin recommends G]
- Jardiwarnpa: a Warlpiri fire ceremony [Exempt (for educational use only)]
- Kanyini [PG]
- Language of belonging: Wadu matyidi [Unclassified, but for primary-aged children]
- Liyarn ngarn [M]
- Lousy little sixpence [G]
- Mabo [PG]
- Mabo: life of an island man [G]
- May O’Brien: educator & writer [Australian biography] [Exempt (for educational use only)]
- Not forgotten [G] 355 DVD
- Old country new country: the journey of a raft
- Our community [Exempt (for educational use only); Ronin recommends G]
- Our generation [Unclassified, but producers advise that if it were classified it would be PG]
- Our rights: a foundation for the future
- Painting country [Exempt (for educational use only); Ronin recommends G]
- Pemulwuy
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- Samson and Delilah [MA]
- The Sapphires [PG]
- Satellite boy [PG]
- Special treatment [Exempt (for educational use only); Ronin recommends G]
- Steps in time: Mornington Island dance culture
- Stolen generations
- The tall man [M]
- Toomelah [MA]
- The tracker [M]
- Urban clan [Exempt (for educational use only); Ronin recommends G]
- Vote yes for Aborigines
- Ways of thinking [G]
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- Why me? 5 stories of removal from family and country [Exempt (for educational use only); Ronin recommends G]
- Women of the sun [PG] 305.4 DVD
- Women of the sun 25 years later [PG] 305.4 DVD

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- **G.** General: Suitable for everyone.
- **PG.** Parental Guidance: Not recommended for children under 15; may contain material which some children find confusing or upsetting.
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- **MA.** Mature Audiences: Restricted – unsuitable for persons under 15; may contain strong content.

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