

# Notre Dame Nulungu Talking Heads Seminar Series



*A New Partnership*, William Roe, 1994

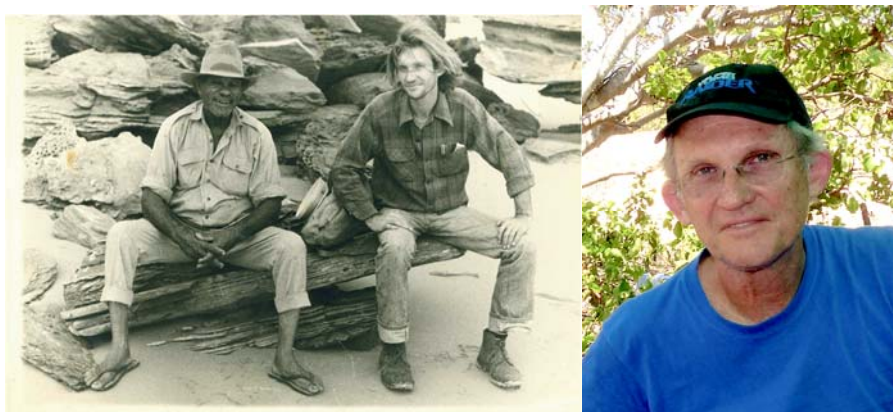
## 'Writing The Children's Country with Paddy Roe'

**Date:** Wednesday 30 June 2021

**Time:** 12.30-1.30pm

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**Presenter:** Stephen Muecke

### Abstract

This experimental and critical ethnography documents the Goolarabooloo's knowledge of Country, their history of struggle for survival, and the alliances that formed to support them in the battle over James Price Point. It tells the story by walking the Country, from one mode of understanding to the next, from History, to Politics, to Law, to Science, to Economics, to Art—a multirealist analysis that focuses on Indigenous and European institutions and their spheres of influence.

Paddy Roe OAM (c1912-2001) was a Goolarabooloo elder and law man from Broome. He published, with Stephen Muecke, *Gularabulu: Stories from the West Kimberley* (1983) and *Reading the Country* (1984) with Krim Benterrak and Stephen Muecke. He started the famous Lurujarri Heritage Trail in 1987 as a way of protecting Country by teaching people how to understand it.

## Biography

Stephen Muecke is Professor of Creative Writing at Flinders University, South Australia, and is a Fellow of the Australian Academy of the Humanities. Recent works are *Bruno Latour and the Humanities*, edited with Rita Felski, Johns Hopkins University Press, 2020 and a translation, Vinciane Despret's *Our Grateful Dead: Stories of Those Left behind*, University of Minnesota Press, 2021.