

# Creative Practice Responding to Country



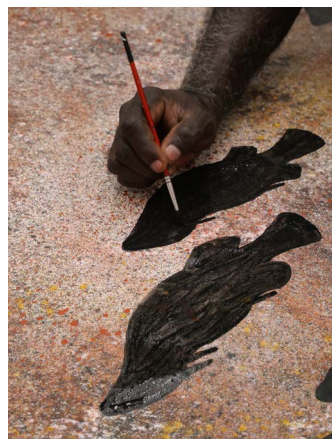
## A 5-Day Arts Immersion in Kakadu National Park

### ABOUT THE COURSE

Charles Darwin University's Academy of the Arts offers a unique learning experience for creative practitioners to visit and respond to Australia's world-heritage landscape, Kakadu National Park, in the Northern Territory.

Participants will have the opportunity to develop their creative practice with artist-teachers as guides and mentors and with opportunities to collaborate across disciplines with each other. You will be asked to observe and listen deeply to the landscape, waterways, skies and weather, the animals and plants that make up the unique ecology of Kakadu. You will also be introduced to the Indigenous culture, through storytelling, language and creative practices of the Kakadu traditional owners.

During this arts immersion experience you will engage creatively in response to your observations of Kakadu and share your creative findings with the group through a guided series of workshops, reflections and critical discussions, leading to presentations of your work-in-progress. You will be exposed to new techniques, materials, methodologies, and ways of making meaning of the world, to tell stories, perform songs and dances, and make art. The learning experience is open to participants responding to Country through a range of disciplines and media, such as creative writing, film, new media, live performance,



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music, composition, drawing, painting, sculpture, photography, print or design.

Following the on-country immersion, you are invited to complete a creative output which draws on the influence of the on-country experience and learning. For those participants enrolled in a higher education degree and who wish to gain credit, this course is available for enrolment through CDU's Academy of the Arts.

### WHO

Ideal for creative artists, writers, educators, arts students and appreciators.

### WHEN

- > On-country in Kakadu: 21-25 August 2023
- > Independent Study unit Intensive 5: 21 Aug – 1 Oct 2023

### WHERE

- > Kakadu National Park, Northern Territory, Australia.
- > Travel by bus from Charles Darwin University Casuarina Campus, Darwin, Northern Territory
- > University students: complete studies online.

### COST

- > General Public Participants: \$3,300
- > University Students: On-country field trip \$550 plus fee to enroll in unit IAS403 Independent Study

### FIELD TRIP

- > Travel is by bus with camping in tents
- > All camping equipment, transport and meals are provided while in Kakadu

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