

Historic documentary records a proud resistance

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The story of the Mirarr People and uranium mining in Kakadu on SBS-TV tonight

SBS television will tonight broadcast an historic television documentary on the thirty-year struggle of the Mirarr Aboriginal people of Kakadu against uranium mining on their traditional lands. Trespass tells the story of how the Mirarr People have stopped successive Commonwealth and Northern Territory governments and multinational mining companies from developing the controversial Jabiluka uranium mine.

Written and directed by Alice Springs film maker David Vadiveloo, the multi-award winning half hour documentary will screen nationally tonight (Wednesday 21 May) at 7.30pm EST as part of the series '[Australia by Numbers](#)'. (Northern Territory viewers need to check local guides.)

Trespass presents an intimate portrait of the cornerstone of the Mirarr resistance to uranium mining in Kakadu, the gently-spoken Mirarr senior traditional owner, Yvonne Margarula.

Executive Officer of Gundjehmi Aboriginal Corporation, Mr Andy Ralph, encouraged all Australians to watch the documentary and learn of the dignified manner in which Ms Margarula and the Mirarr have defended their country and culture.

"This documentary provides the most intimate portrayal to date of Yvonne and the reasons behind her resistance to further mining at Kakadu National Park. This film, unlike all others, is very much Yvonne's story. Her resolve is truly remarkable and will inspire Australians from all walks of life," Mr Ralph said.

An [SBS online forum](#), in which Ms Margarula and staff of Gundjehmi Aboriginal Corporation will participate, will be conducted immediately following the broadcast.