



Ripple Effect Band, the all-female saltwater rock band from Maningrida in Arnhem Land, announce South-East Tour November 2024

Proudly presented by Artback NT, in association with Bush Music Fund and Always Live

**Sydney/Gadigal | Jigamy-Eden/Yuin | Ulladulla/Yuin | Canberra/Ngunnawal & Ngambri | Wangaratta/Bpangerang | Brunswick/Wurundjeri Woi-Wurrung & Bunurong | Castlemaine/Dja Dja Warrung | Main Ridge/Bunurong | Melbourne/Wurundjeri Woi-Wurrung | Geelong/Wadawurrung**

Following in the footsteps of Maningrida greats like 'Letter Stick Band', **Ripple Effect Band** are forging their own path as the first all-female saltwater rock band from their community to not only pick up instruments but to also blaze both bush touring circuits and national stages. This southern tour features a jam-packed itinerary of the band performing as part of Giiyong Festival on stunning Yuin Country and at live music venues across New South Wales, Canberra and Victoria. They kick off their three-week tour in Sydney on Gadigal country and end their epic journey in Geelong, on Wadawurrung country.

Producing this tour is Northern Territory Touring multi-arts touring agency, Artback NT whose Performing Arts Manager, Evan Saunders is excited about the tour as it will be a massive platform for a remote NT act like Ripple Effect Band to further propel them into the wider Australian Music Scene. "This tour is extra special for many reasons, **Ripple Effect Band** will be playing to some new venues and audiences who've yet to experience their infectious energy, as well as returning to some of their favourite venues in Sydney, Castlemaine and Melbourne."

This is the first interstate tour Artback NT have produced for the band and the first tour partnership with Bush Music Fund who have extended presenting partnerships with Victorian government funded organisation Always Live. Artback NT is also supporting PR and marketing development for the band through creative agencies Thinking Loud and The Annex.

Ripple Effect Band is made up of Tara Rostron, Rachel Thomas, Rona Lawrence, Jolene Lawrence, Jodie Kell, Patricia Gibson, Harriet Fraser-Barbour, Stephanie James and Anastasia Lucia. All band members are skilled artists, who effortlessly shift between different instruments and vocal duties, as well as producing, managing and song writing together and individually. They sing in the languages of their people: Ndjébbana, Burarra, Na-kara and Kune. They have many stories to tell about their land, their languages and their culture, garnering widespread acclaim for their work following their own interstate gigs, music industry nominations and awards and beautifully designed artwork made by close friends and family of the collective.

*"You don't need to understand either the Aboriginal Australian language Kune or English to feel the emotion of the song."*

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Coinciding with this tour, Ripple Effect Band announce the release of their new album, 'Mayawa'. Mayawa represents more than just the music, it's a celebration of femininity in motherhood, as sisters, aunties and daughters, and the roles that each title brings. While it is sung in a mixture of their different traditional dialects, each track echoes ancestral traditions, and the paradox between modern life.

For links to tickets and venues visit [www.rippleeffectband.com.au/shows](http://www.rippleeffectband.com.au/shows).

### **Itinerary:**

Thursday 7 November - Marrickville Bowling Club, Sydney Gadigal NSW  
Saturday 9 November - Giiyong Festival, Jigamy-Eden Yuin NSW  
Friday 15 November - The Marlin Hotel, Ulladulla Yuin NSW  
Saturday 16 November - Gang Gang Cafe, Canberra Ngunnawal and Ngambri ACT  
Sunday 17 November - The Vine Hotel, Wangaratta Bpangerang VIC  
Thursday 21 November - Live from RRR, Brunswick Wurundjeri Woi-Wurrung and Bunurong VIC  
Friday 22 November - Bridge Hotel, Castlemaine Dja Dja Wurrung VIC  
Saturday 23 November - Pig & Whistle, Main Ridge Bunurong VIC  
Sunday 24 November - Northcote Social Club, Melbourne Wurundjeri Woi-Wurrung and Bunurong VIC  
Monday 25 November - Murrumbidgee First Nations Hub, Geelong Wadawurrung VIC

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### **About Artback NT**

Artback NT develops and presents creative works from across the Northern Territory – to and from some of Australia's most remote locations. We work collaboratively with artists and communities to create and present high quality arts and cultural experiences not readily available to regional, remote and very remote communities who are often left off the touring map.

Our Performing Arts Development and Touring Program delivers dynamic theatre, music, and dance performances, as well as creative workshops to audiences around Australia. Working primarily with NT based artists, producers, and companies, Artback NT is passionate about sharing the strong and unique stories of the Northern Territory and providing a lens into life experienced in this part of the world.

**If you are an artist in the Northern Territory or wish to collaborate with NT creatives and have an idea, we want to hear from you. Stay tuned for our 2025 EOI rounds.**

This tour has been assisted by the Creative Australia through its Playing Australia funding body.

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