PROFESSOR MICK DODSON AM
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With a special performance by Archie Roach and Ruby Hunter

How well do we know each other?

Wednesday 10 June 2009
5.30pm for 6pm followed by a reception from 7-8pm
Arc Cinema, National Film and Sound Archive, McCoy Circuit Acton

The Lecture

Reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians is broadly accepted as essential to our national well-being. It is strongly desired. At an institutional level, we are more prepared to back good intentions with action. But at a more personal, intimate level, beyond celebrating the concept of reconciliation and a willingness to participate in public events: what do we really know of each other? Mick Dodson considers the private domain of reconciliation.

The Lecturer

Professor Mick Dodson AM is the Director of the National Centre for Indigenous Studies, ANU, a Professor of Law at the ANU College of Law and Co-Chair of Reconciliation Australia. Mick Dodson is a vigorous advocate of the rights and interests of Indigenous peoples in Australia and the world. He has been a member of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues since 2005.

Archie Roach & Ruby Hunter are two of Australia’s leading singer songwriters. They retell intimate real life stories through song which have touched the hearts and souls of audiences around the world. In 2008 they were awarded the Sidney Myer Performing Arts Award for their extraordinary contributions to Australian music.

A short compilation of segments from the National Film and Sound Archive’s national collection will also be screened as part of this special event.

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