

“The kids loved it and didn't want it to stop. It was a very engaging experience as they learnt a lot about indigenous culture, song and dance. Thank you for sharing this with them.”

- *Priscilla Blake Maranatha Christian School*

“Thank you so much for your energy and enthusiasm during delivery of the day! It was inspiring to see and listen to the things spoken about.

Too often we can learn what happened and be immersed in the challenges that those who have come before us have faced. Although listening to things from the lens of a healing spirit is so refreshing and encouraging”

- *Nada Aldobasic AIME Mentoring*

"Ian and Mitch are a dynamic father and son duo who as True Culture delivered an engaging and informative workshop on Indigenous history and cultural awareness within the national context (the focus on the soul and it's importance to one's sense of self is something that stuck with me in particular). The interactive and thought provoking nature of the workshop ensured that participants took something away from the day. I'd happily recommend True Culture to any organisation who was interested in providing Indigenous cultural training for their staff.”

- *Richard Atkin - AIME Program Coordinator (RMIT)*

“True Culture performed and facilitated a workshop at the Cubbies children playground on Harmony day. They engaged with children with confidence and cultural awareness and kept their attention from the start through to the end of the workshop. It was a great activity as it helped children learn about aboriginal culture through dance, singing, playing music and painting. There was something for everyone!”

- *Ana Radovic - Save the Children*

“Thank you so very much for being a part of our kinder graduation night and celebrations on the 17th December 2014. Your songs and dances and performances blew us all away and left us all open-mouthed in awe... reflective of the truly amazing and special event that was True Culture.

We have had many parents and community members come up to us and share their deep appreciation for the fun and interactive program you both provided and the learning and growth that was reflective in the children as they danced and sung... answered questions and were able to "be a part of it all". I believe the children and families will forever remember the night as a truly special occasion because of True Culture.

As for me, I have been a kindergarten educator for the past 10 years and can honestly say True Culture was simply one of the most amazing experience I was able and honoured to be a part of. With all my thanks.”

- *Judith Baltus (Kindergarten Educator at John Street CECC)*

“As a teacher I thought it was an amazing performance. The children were so engaged when listening to you talk about the history of Indigenous people, traditions and the land. The children and I loved watching Mitch play the didgeridoo and dance.

It is definitely a performance that I would recommend and would love to book again.

My Grade 1/2 class when asked what they thought about the performance:

“Entertaining, Amazing, Awesome, Excellent”

“We thought the day was fun”
“The didgeridoo was calming”
“I learnt that gumtrees smell good”
“We learnt how to hollow out a didgeridoo”
“We learnt what the colours of the flag meant: red stood for the land, the yellow was the sun and the black was for the skin”
Thanks again so much.”

- *Jade Barry - William Ruthven Primary School*

“The culture experience you provided yesterday was great! The interaction activities through stories, songs and dances were very exciting and interesting for our children to participate, and we will extend these interests by reading relevant storybooks and exploring more Aboriginal art/craft works. Our educators also learnt a lot from you, Thank you for coming and showing us the richness of the Indigenous culture.”

- *Grace - Monash Community Family Co-operative Ltd*

“It was enjoyable to listen to the Didgeridoo because it’s from another culture. Mitch explained circular breathing”

“I had such a great time learning about Aboriginal creation, one of the things I learnt was the Tiddalick story”

“I learnt the the Tiddalick the frog story is showing us how to be sustainable for resources”

“I really liked Mitch and Ian’s presentation”

“I liked learning from Ian and Mitch. I like hearing Mitch play the Didgeridoo. There was a message which I am slowly becoming to understand. In the dreamtime story water was valuable and it is valuable for us to. we need to survive, so don’t take to much. Mitch’s performance was sensational”

“It was the first time I heard someone playing the Didgeridoo I can’t believe how Mitch played it but it was the best. I liked the story of Tiddalick the frog and enjoyed it a lot”

“I learnt so much out of a little story especially when Tiddalick was drinking all of the fresh water and to me that motto meant never wast resources because you letting the world down and also ruining Gods creations. Another thing was when Mitch did that really breath taking Didgeridoo performance it was hard to believe that all of those sounds were coming from the Didgeridoo and most importantly it was Mitch who was actually making those incredible sounds”

- *Students of St Mary Of the Cross McKillop*