ONES COUNTRY THE SPINE OF OUR STORIES

80 minutes, no interval

NGATHU

23 mins

Choreography Djakapurra Munyarryun

Original music by Steve Francis

Traditional songs by Djakapurra Munyarryun

Ngathu story and voice by Kathy Munyarryun

Set design Jacob Nash

Costume design Jennifer Irwin

Lighting Matt Cox

CAST

Two Yapas *Two sisters wake and prepare for the harvest journey* Deborah Brown Yolanda Lowatta

Wurrumthun Ngarra *Travelling to the harvest* Full ensemble

Ngathu Warratthun *Picking and sorting the cycad nut* Full ensemble

Warratthun Contemporary Female ensemble

Warratthun Ngarra *Travelling and gathering* Full ensemble

Mel'wutthun *Hitting and preparing the cycad nut* Full ensemble

Mel'wutthun Contemporary

Nicola Sabatino Beau Dean Riley Smith Rikki Mason Tara Gower Ryan Pearson Tyrel Dulvarie Warratthun Ngarra Travelling

Full ensemble Lurrpu

The white cockatoo signals the arrival of the wet season Full ensemble

Ngurrtja

The sacred bark protects the cycad nut over the hot coals Waangenga Blanco Leonard Mickelo Daniel Riley Kaine Sultan-Babij Luke Currie-Richardson

Warratthun Ngarra

Travelling fast, the wet season is approaching Full ensemble

Wata

The wind is blowing, a sign of the seasons changing Full ensemble

Two Yapas

The two sisters carry the knowledge of the cycad nut with them through the coming seasons and the next generations Deborah Brown Yolanda Lowatta

PLACE

20 mins

Choreography Kaine Sultan-Babij

Original music by Steve Francis

Set design Jacob Nash

Costume design Jennifer Irwin

Lighting Matt Cox

CAST

Dark

Waangenga Blanco Daniel Riley Leonard Mickelo Tara Gower Jasmin Sheppard Deborah Brown

Caterpillar

Elma Kris Jasmin Sheppard Tyrel Dulvarie Yolanda Lowatta Rika Hamaguchi Tara Robertson Glory Tuohy-Daniell Luke Currie-Richardson Beau Dean Riley Smith Rikki Mason Baden Hitchcock Ryan Pearson

Duo

Tyrel Dulvarie Yolanda Lowatta

Sara-Moany

Leonard Mickelo

WHISTLER

24 mins

Choreography Elma Kris & Nicola Sabatino

Original music by Steve Francis

Language stories by Peggy Misi Inspired by The late Adhi Ephraim Bani Warupaw Uu 'Echo of Drums'

Whistler song by Elma Kris, Peggy Misi & Nicola Sabatino

Vocal performers Peggy Misi, Nicola Sabatino, Yolande Brown, Luke Currie-Richardson & the Bangarra ensemble

Set design Jacob Nash

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CAST

Talking Sea GrassElma KrisNicola SabatinoDeborah BrownTara GowerJasmin SheppardTara RobertsonYolanda LowattaGlory Tuohy-Daniell

Pregnant Mother Tara Robertson

Newborn Calves Yolanda Lowatta Beau Dean Riley Smith

Ghost Net Rikki Mason Full ensemble

Mating Tara Gower Waangenga Blanco Daniel Riley

Whistler Luke Currie-Richardson Full ensemble