



Finding aid

BIDDLE_J02

**Sound recordings collected by
Jennifer L. Biddle, 1989-1990**

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Date: 1989-1990

Extent: 12 audiocassettes (8 hrs 42 min.)

Production history

These recordings were collected between 24 December 1989 and 8 September 1990 by anthropologist Jennifer Biddle during fieldwork at Lajamanu, Daguragu, Yuendumu and Bagot in the Northern Territory of Australia. The purpose of the field trips was to document songs of the Warlpiri people. Performers who participated include Jerry Jangala Patrick, Cowboy Japanangka Blacksmith, Ronnie Jakamarra Lawson, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Molly Napurrula Tasman, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Beinba Nakamarra Beaver, Liddy Nampijinpa Miller, Peggy Napaljarri Rockmkan, Noni Napaljarri Rockman, Lady Napaljarri Rockman, Yinanki Nangala Hector, Doreen Nungarrayi Patrick, Kajingarra Napangardi, Tasman, Melody Napurrula Tasman, Wiyinkarra Nungarrayi Tasman, Jimmy Jampijinpa Robinson, Denise Napangardi Tasman-Robinson; Maisy Napaljarri; Judy Napaljarri Watson; Milpararnta Napangardi, Jean Napurrula, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Nelly Napanangka Walker, Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Daisy Napurrula, Jean Napurrula, Mary Napangardi, Gladys Napangardi Kelly, Lorna Napurrula Blacksmith, Maisy Nakamarra, Pupinpa Napanangka Walker; Polly Nampijinpa and other unidentified performers.

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This finding aid was compiled from information provided by Jennifer L. Biddle and audition sheets prepared by AIATSIS staff.

Timing points may be slightly out depending on the technologies and procedures in place at the time the recordings were auditioned.

ITEM LIST

Archive number	Field recording number	Description
025117 025118	B3	Christmas purlapa performed by Jerry Jangala Patrick, Cowboy Japanangka Blacksmith, Ronnie Jakamarra Lawson, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Molly Napurrula Tasman, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Beinba Nakamarra Beaver, Liddy Nampijinpa Miller, Peggy Napaljarri Rockman, Noni Napaljarri Rockman, Lady Napaljarri Rockman, Yinanki Nangala Hector, Doreen Nungarrayi Patrick, Kajingarra Napangardi, Gladys Napangardi Tasman, Melody Napurrula Tasman and Wiyinkarra Nungarrayi Tasman
025119 025120	B4	Discussion on Warlpiri culture with Jimmy Jampijinpa Robinson and Denise Napangardi Tasman-Robinson
025121 025122	B5	Yawulyu (women's law) singing 'practice' with Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Melody Napurrula Tasman, Kajingarra Napangardi, Maisy Nakamarra, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Milpaparnta Napangardi, Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Gladys Napangardi Kelly, Jean Napurrula and Lily Nungarrayi
025123 025124	B6	Yawulyu (women's law) singing 'practice' with Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Daisy Napurrula, Melody Napurrula Tasman, Kajingarra Napangardi, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Maisy Napaljarri, Judy Napaljarri Walker and Nelly Napanangka Nelson
025125	B7	Lajamanu Warlpiri women singing at Daguragu including Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Gladys Napangardi Tasman, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Daisy Napurrula, Jean Napurrula, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves and Kajingarra Napangardi
025126	B8	Kajingarra Napangardi, Mary Napaljarri, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Alice Napaljarri Kelly and Rosie Napurrula Tasman practice singing Yawulyu
025127 025128	B9	Judy Napaljarri Watson, Gladys Napangardi Kelly, Jean Napurrula, Nelly Napanangka Walker, Kajingarra Napangardi, Molly Napurrula Tasman, Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Melody Napurrula Tasman, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Mary Napaljarri, Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson and Milpaparnta Napangardi practice singing Yawulyu
025129 025130	B10	Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Gladys Napangardi Kelly, Molly Napurrula Tasman, Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Melody Napurrula Tasman, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Jean Napurrula, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Lorna Napurrula Blacksmith, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Kajingarra Napangardi, Nelly Napanangka Walker singing Yawulyu
025131	B11	Melody Napurrula Tasman, Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Kajingarra

Archive number	Field recording number	Description
		Napangardi, Gladys Napangardi Kelly, Liddy Nampijinpa Miller, Nelly Napanangka Walker, Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Daisy Napurrula, Maisy Napaljarri and Liddy Nakamarra Nelson singing Yawulyu
025132 025133	B12	Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Kajingarra Napangardi, Daisy Napurrula, Pupinpa Napanangka Walker, Nelly Napanangka Walker, Maisy Napaljarri, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson and Yijaturr Nakamarra Nelson sing 'Purlapa Wiri' Yawulyu
025134	B13	Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Kajingarra Napangardi, Daisy Napurrula, Pupinpa Napanangka Walker, Nelly Napanangka Walker, Maisy Napaljarri, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson and Yijaturr Nakamarra Nelson sing 'Purlapa Wiri' Yawulyu
025135 025136	B14	Polly Nampijinpa and three unidentified female performers with the subsection (skin) name Nampijinpa sing and talk in Warlpiri

ITEM DESCRIPTIONS

B3

Performer/speaker(s):	Jerry Jangala Patrick, Cowboy Japanangka Blacksmith, Ronnie Jakamarra Lawson, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Molly Napurrula Tasman, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Beinba Nakamarra Beaver, Liddy Nampijinpa Miller, Peggy Napaljarri Rockman, Noni Napaljarri Rockman, Lady Napaljarri Rockman, Yinanki Nangala Hector, Doreen Nungarrayi Patrick, Kajingarra Napangardi, Gladys Napangardi Tasman, Melody Napurrula Tasman, Wiyinkarra Nungarrayi Tasman
Subject keywords:	Music – Traditional – Ceremonial, Religions – Christianity - Ceremonies – Christmas celebrations, Music – Vocal – Group – Female, Music – Vocal – Group – Male
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Lajamanu / Hooker Creek (Central NT SE52-08, SE52-12)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025117	00:00:00	Christmas purlapa performed by Warlpiri people.	24 December 1989	Lajamanu, NT
	00:31:04	End of BIDDLE_J02-025117.		
BIDDLE_J02-025118	00:00:00	Continuation of Christmas purlapa performed by Warlpiri people.		
	00:11:21	End of field recording B3 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025118.		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Jimmy Jampijinpa Robinson, Denise Napangardi Tasman-Robinson
Subject keywords:	Religion – Dreaming – Ancestor spirits, Religion – Dreaming – Snakes and lizards, Cultural heritage
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Lajamanu / Hooker Creek (Central NT SE52-08, SE52-12)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025119	00:00:00	Jimmy Jampijinpa Robinson speaks of Warlpiri culture and the need for its maintenance while referring to a painting he crafted.	9 January 1990	Lajamanu, NT
	00:09:20	End of BIDDLE_J02-025119.		
BIDDLE_J02-025120	00:00:00	Jimmy Jampijinpa Robinson and Denise Napangardi Tasman-Robinson discuss painting and Warlpiri culture in English and Warlpiri.		
	00:09:20	Jimmy Jampijinpa Robinson discusses how Warlpiri culture is passed down through generations; and how it is disseminated throughout the world by painting and other media.		
	00:16:39	End field recording B4 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025120.		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Melody Napurrula Tasman, Kajingarra Napangardi, Maisy Nakamarra, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Milpaparnta Napangardi, Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Gladys Napangardi Kelly, Jean Napurrula, Lily Nungarrayi
Subject keywords:	Music - Vocal - Group – Female, Law – Indigenous
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Lajamanu / Hooker Creek (Central NT SE52-08, SE52-12), Daguragu / Kalkaringi / Wave Hill (Central NT SE52-08)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025121	00:00:00	Yawulyu (women's law) singing 'practice' in preparation for a trip to Daguragu to attend a meeting where the women will dance to open it.	10 March 1990	Lajamanu, NT
	00:31:40	End of BIDDLE_J02-025121.		
BIDDLE_J02-025122		Yawulyu (women's law) singing 'practice' in preparation for a trip to Daguragu to attend a meeting where the women will dance to open it.		
	00:31:36	End of field recording B5 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025122.		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Daisy Napurrula, Melody Napurrula Tasman, Kajingarra Napangardi, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Maisy Napaljarri, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Nelly Napanangka Nelson
Subject keywords:	Music – Vocal – Group – Female
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Lajamanu / Hooker Creek (Central NT SE52-08, SE52-12), Daguragu / Kalkaringi / Wave Hill (Central NT SE52-08)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025123	00:00:00	Singing 'practice' in preparation for a trip to Daguragu to attend a meeting where the women will dance to open it.	11 March 1990	Lajamanu, NT
	00:31:33	End of BIDDLE_J02-025123.		
BIDDLE_J02-025124	00:00:00	Lajamanu Warlpiri women singing in the opening of the Daguragu meeting.		Daguragu, NT
	00:31:43	End field recording B6 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025124.		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Gladys Napangardi Tasman, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Daisy Napurrula, Jean Naperrula, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Kajingarra Napangardi
Subject keywords:	Music – Vocal – Group – Female
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Daguragu / Kalkaringi / Wave Hill (Central NT SE52-08)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
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BIDDLE_J02-025125	00:00:00	Lajamanu Warlpiri women singing at the Daguragu meeting.	11 March 1990	Daguragu, NT
	00:08:00	End of field recording B7 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025125.		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Kajingarra Napangardi, Mary Napaljarri, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Rosie Napurrula Tasman
Subject keywords:	Music – Vocal – Group – Female, Law – Indigenous
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Daguragu / Kalkaringi / Wave Hill (Central NT SE52-08)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025126	00:00:00	Warlpiri women practice singing Yawulyu.	12 March 1990	Daguragu, NT
	00:31:36	End of field recording B8 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025126		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Judy Napaljarri Watson, Gladys Napangardi Kelly, Jean Napurrula, Nelly Napanangka Walker, Kajingarra Napangardi, Molly Napurrula Tasman, Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Melody Napurrula Tasman, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Mary Napaljarri, Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Milpaparnta Napangardi
Subject keywords:	Music – Vocal – Group – Female, Law – Indigenous
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Lajamanu / Hooker Creek (Central NT SE52-08, SE52-12)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025127	00:00:00	Warlpiri women practice singing Yawulyu.	18 March 1990	Lajamanu, NT
	00:31:41	End of BIDDLE_J02-025127		
BIDDLE_J02-025128	00:00:00	Warlpiri women practice singing Yawulyu.		
	00:31:44	End of field recording B9 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025128.		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Gladys Napangardi Kelly, Molly Napurrula Tasman, Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Melody Napurrula Tasman, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Jean Napurrula, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Lorna Napurrula Blacksmith, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Kajingarra Napangardi, Nelly Napanangka Walker
Subject keywords:	Music – Vocal – Group – Female, Law – Indigenous
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Lajamanu / Hooker Creek (Central NT SE52-08, SE52-12)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025129	00:00:00	Warlpiri women singing Yawulyu.	19 March 1990	Lajamanu, NT
	00:31:40	End of BIDDLE_J02-025129.		
BIDDLE_J02-025130		Warlpiri women singing Yawulyu.	20 March 1990	
	00:31:45	End of field recording B10 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025130.		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Melody Napurrula Tasman, Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Kajingarra Napangardi, Gladys Napangardi Kelly, Liddy Nampijinpa Miller, Nelly Napanangka Walker, Alice Napaljarri Kelly, Lily Nungarrayi Hargraves, Judy Napaljarri Walker, Daisy Napurrula, Maisy Napaljarri, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson
Subject keywords:	Music – Vocal – Group – Female, Law – Indigenous
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Lajamanu / Hooker Creek (Central NT SE52-08, SE52-12)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025131	00:00:00	Warlpiri women singing Yawulyu.	20 March 1990	Lajamanu, NT
	00:30:00	End field recording B11 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025131.		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Kajingarra Napangardi, Daisy Napurrula, Pupinpa Napanangka Walker, Nelly Napanangka Walker, Maisy Napaljarri, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Yijaturr Nakamarra Nelson
Subject keywords:	Music – Vocal – Group – Female, Law – Indigenous, Sport - Events and venues
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Yuendumu (South Central NT SF52-12)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025132	00:00:00	Warlpiri women sing 'Purlapa Wiri' Yawulyu for a sports weekend event.	5 August 1990	Yuendumu, NT
	00:31:02	End of BIDDLE_J02-025132.		
BIDDLE_J02-025133		Warlpiri women sing 'Purlapa Wiri' Yawulyu for a sports weekend event.		
	00:31:35	End of field recording B12 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025133.		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Rosie Napurrula Tasman, Kajingarra Napangardi, Daisy Napurrula, Pupinpa Napanangka Walker, Nelly Napanangka Walker, Maisy Napaljarri, Liddy Nakamarra Nelson, Yijaturr Nakamarra Nelson
Subject keywords:	Music – Vocal – Group – Female, Law – Indigenous, Sport - Events and venues
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Yuendumu (South Central NT SF52-12)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025134	00:00:00	Warlpiri women sing 'Purlapa Wiri' Yawulyu for a sports weekend event.	5 August 1990	Yuendumu, NT
	00:19:22	End of field recording B13 and end of BIDDLE_J02-025134.		

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Performer/speaker(s):	Polly Nampijinpa, three unidentified female performers with the subsection (skin) name Nampijinpa
Subject keywords:	Music – Vocal – Group – Female, Law – Indigenous
Language/people:	Warlpiri
Places:	Kulaluk / Bagot (NT Top End SD52-04)
Recording quality:	Good

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
BIDDLE_J02-025135	00:00:00	Polly Nampijinpa and three unidentified female performers with the subsection (skin) name Nampijinpa sing and talk in Warlpiri while preparing (painting up) for performance of Yawulya Watiyawarnu Jukurrpa	8 September 1990	Kulaluk / Bagot, NT
	00:31:14	End of BIDDLE_J02-025135.		
BIDDLE_J02-025136	00:00:00	Polly Nampijinpa and three unidentified female performers with the subsection (skin) name Nampijinpa sing and talk in Warlpiri while preparing (painting up) for performance of Yawulya Watiyawarnu Jukurrpa		
	00:17:20	End of field recording B14, end of BIDDLE_J02-025136 and conclusion of the BIDDLE_J02 audio collection.		

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