

Seeing Country' By Nyaparu Laurel 2012

Nulungu Talking Heads Seminar Series

'Aboriginality and Educational Excellence'

Sharon Davis, WA State Coordinator for The Aspiration Initiative, Aurora Education Foundation

From Broome to Oxford and back: A Blackfella Abroad. Sharon Davis, a Bardi Gija woman and mother of two from Broome recently graduated from the University of Oxford with a Master of Science. Sharon is currently the Western Australian State Coordinator of The Aspiration Initiative; an academic enrichment program designed to provide Indigenous students with unique and effective educational support.

Sharon developed a passion for Aboriginal education while completing her Bachelor of Education at the University of Notre Dame in Broome. Coming to understand the significant role of Aboriginal English in literacy learning and identity development, Sharon decided to investigate this area further. As a result, Sharon became the first Aboriginal Australian from a remote Community to graduate from the University of Oxford. Share in Sharon's journey that explores how Aboriginality was central to her academic achievements and Sharon's push for other Aboriginal students to unlock their academic potential.

Wednesday, 12th August 2015, 12:30PM – 1:30PM Venue: Multi-Purpose Hall, The University of Notre Dame Australia 88 Guy Street, Broome, Western Australia