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Conversations with the Mob exhibits journey of healing

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An exhibition from Walkley Award-winning photojournalist [Megan Lewis](#) featuring photographs from her book, [Conversations with the Mob](#), was opened by Ray Martin on Sunday 6th May.



Megan Lewis and Ray Martin at the opening of Conversations with the Mob. © Michael Amendolia



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In 2002, Megan Lewis went to live with the Martu people — one of the last Indigenous groups in Australia’s vast Western Desert to come into contact with Europeans.

Through stunning photographs and oral stories, [Conversations with the Mob](#) captures the beauty, humour and friendship of an Aboriginal community at odds with Western culture.



When the Mob allowed a ‘whitefella’ to come and live with them, the understanding was she was there to take photographs to share with outsiders. But the project became more than a book or an exhibition — it was a journey of *marpan* (healing) for whitefellas and Martu alike.

The exhibition is now at [Artsite Gallery](#) in Camperdown, Sydney, until 20 May. In addition to [Conversations with the Mob](#) photographs, it features ‘I’m Beautiful’, a digital exhibition offering a glimpse into the world of Martu youth, also by [Megan Lewis](#).



Clarrie Robinson, from Warralong Community, with Megan Lewis © Michael Amendolia

With the primary aim of having fun and boosting confidence, the children in this photoshoot were presented with a box of dress-up clothes and invited to ‘be yourself’ – whoever that ‘self’ might be.

[Megan Lewis](#) is a current Fuji Ambassador, and her photographs will be displayed at the end of May in a Melbourne exhibition for Fuji.



Clarrie Robinson, Clarrie Jnr, Ray Martin, Megan Lewis, Kevin Cooper from Fujifilm © Michael Amendolia



Ray Martin with Megan Lewis © Michael Amendolia