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## **YATES, Alan Geoffrey (1923-85)**

Came to Australia from England after the Second World War, and began writing pot-boiler murder mystery novels under a number of different pen-names. The most successful of these was to be “Carter Brown”, whose crime thrillers began appearing in the 1950s. Particularly popular in the United States, novels such as *Corpse for Christmas* and *Blonde on the Rocks* are characterised by the elements of sex, violence and mystery. Yates’ autobiography, *Ready When You Are, CB*, was published two years before his death.

## **YUNUPINGU, Galarrwuy (1950- )**

Born around 1950 in an Aboriginal settlement at Yirrkala in Arnhem Land, he was educated locally and by the Methodist Mission in Brisbane. He worked as a clerk and a recreational officer in Yirrkala before being appointed Chairman of the newly formed Northern Land Council, following the 1977 Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act. The Act gave Aborigines the right to claim traditional land from the Crown, and Yunupingu arranged for the first royalty payments from uranium mining to be paid to Aborigines. He was made Australian of the Year in 1979. Since 1980 he has been involved in the tourism, transport and processed seafoods industries.

## **YURANIGH (?-1850)**

His birthdate unknown, Yuranigh was dubbed “Jacky” by his unimaginative European employers, and served as guide, interpreter and mediator between the explorers and the Aborigines on Thomas Mitchell’s northeast expedition

of 1845-47. Although returning to Sydney with Mitchell, Yuranigh soon left for his home - the Molong region of NSW - working as a cattle drover along the way. He died in 1850, his grave being officially dedicated two years later, and the government erected a memorial there in 1900.