



## MEDIA RELEASE

### New Film Set to Begin Filming at Kakadu National Park

A 25-minute drama starring two of the Territory's finest actors is set to commence filming at Kakadu National Park this week.

The film, *Crocodile Dreaming*, features 2005 Northern Territory Australian of the Year David Gulpilil and 2005 Bob Maza Fellowship recipient Tom E. Lewis.

Film producer Sue Milliken said the film, an initiative of the Australian Film Commission, with support from SBS Independent, The Adelaide Film Festival and the NSW Film & Television Office, is the story of two estranged brothers, played by Gulpilil and Lewis, becoming reunited through the spirit of their mother,

"It is a privilege to be working with David and Tom, as well as some wonderful supporting actors from Arnhem Land," Milliken said.

The film has been written by Indigenous filmmaker Darlene Johnson who will also direct the film.

It will premiere at the 2007 Adelaide Film festival and screen nationally on SBS TV.

Northern Territory Film Office acting director Paul Hennes said the calibre of the people involved with *Crocodile Dreaming* meant it would be a high quality production.

"I wouldn't be surprised if *Crocodile Dreaming* wins an award at the Cannes Film Festival, or even an Academy Award in the short film category," Mr Hennes said.

"Sue Milliken is one of Australia's leading producers and many Territorians know how talented David Gulpilil and Tom E. Lewis are."

Darlene Johnson is an award-winning director whose credits include *One Red Blood* and *Stolen Generations*.

Mr Hennes said the NTFO is supporting *Crocodile Dreaming* by providing four vehicles for use by the film's cast and crew.

"We are very grateful for the assistance of the NTFO and the people of Kakadu who are helping to make this very special film possible," Sue Milliken said.

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