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9.15 — Welcome to Country with Delta Kay and the Bunyarra Dancers

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Strong: Racism and ResilienceJudy Atkinson, Aminata Conteh-Biger, Julie Janson, **Chair** Sunil Badami

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When Life Becomes StoryMimi Kwa, Fiona Murphy, Kaya Wilson, **Chair** Caroline Baum
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The Mungo Panel: Has the Media Lost its Mojo?Karen Middleton, Kerry O'Brien, Margaret Simons
Chair Barrie Cassidy

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Archie Roach

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