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DEBUT ALBUM BY JACINTA PRICE – *DRY RIVER* RELEASED 22 NOVEMBER



Prior to the release of this debut album, *DRY RIVER* (produced by Bill Chambers), Jacinta Price has already made a name for herself as a singer-songwriter, famous for her soulful voice that won her "Artist of the Year" at the NAIDOC Awards in 2011 and saw her nominated for Most Promising New Talent in Music in the 2012 Deadly Awards. She was known as Sassy-J when collaborating with hip-hop group Catch the Fly and still mentors young indigenous musicians through the Desert Divas program run by MusicNT. Jacinta is currently most well-known as the host of 'Yamba's Playtime' a children's program from Imparja, aired nationwide on the Nine Network, as well as for acting in various short films produced by CAAMA (the Central Australian Aboriginal Music Association).

With her mother a traditional woman from the Warlpiri tribe of Yuendumu (293 north-west of Alice Springs), and father an Irish Catholic from Newcastle, Jacinta Price's blend of folk and blues and country music is a style that reflects her Aboriginal/Celtic heritage.

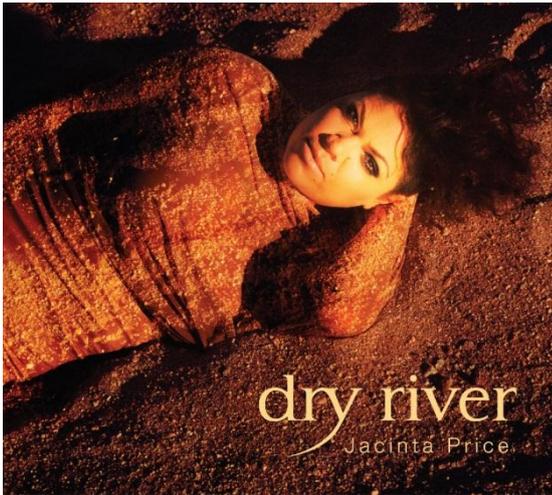
Her parents' passion for travel saw her spending large periods of her childhood living out bush in swags and by the age of seven she had been through every state in Australia. By the time she was twelve she had travelled the world, and these international influences have shaped the musician she is today. Jacinta's family ended up settling in Alice Springs, which Jacinta credits for nurturing her musical career:

"Alice Springs is a place that blends people from all walks of life, a place where blackfellas and whitefellas get on and love one another, a place where world travellers and fellow Australians visit, fall in love and make it their home. A place of opportunity and a place that I feel blessed to have grown up."

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Jacinta Price met her partner, Scottish soul-man Colin Lillie, in Alice Springs and their collaboration together can be heard in a duet on this album called 'Night and Day' (track 8), which was a finalist in the folk category for the NT Song of The Year Awards in 2012. Her track 'Money Problem Blues' (track 7) was also a finalist in the blues category for this year's NT Song of the Year Awards.

DRY RIVER is produced by Bill Chambers, country music legend and father of Kasey Chambers – and also long-time family friend of Jacinta Price. He recently performed alongside Jacinta and her band at the Mbantua Festival, and will be performing again with them in Alice Springs on 21 November for the album launch (details below).



"My life has been spent with many a day and night camped, playing, swimming, dreaming, buried, escaping, loving, freeing myself and being inspired in riverbeds throughout Central Australia's arid and desert landscapes. I've grown up in a town with a riverbed that runs through it - sometimes it's running with life-giving rain water, otherwise it's dry - but that water still runs deep. It's a river of dreams".

- Jacinta Price

ALBUM LAUNCH – FREE CONCERT

Thursday, 21 November 2013 – Old Telegraph Station, Alice Springs

6pm for 6:30pm start

Cost: Free and open to the public

Food available for purchase

Jacinta will be performing a **free concert** along with Bill Chambers and her full band on the banks of the Todd River in Alice Springs, the place of inspiration for her debut album, DRY RIVER. The concert will be broadcast live on [CAAMA Radio](#) 100.5 FM.

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