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Profile: Jessie Lloyd

Jessie Lloyd is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander musician who performs a broad collection of Australian First Nations songs. A vocalist, guitarist, bassist and ukulele player, Jessie trained at Abmusic in Perth but also hailed from a prominent First Nations musical family.

A musician, producer and creative entrepreneur, Jessie is a cultural practitioner dedicated to the continuation of song traditions. Her mission is to produce, perform First Nations music through collaborative projects and cultural practice.

Her current Ailan 'Island' Songs project is collaborative work, an exploration of popular historical folk songs from the Torres Strait. Jessie brings together ancient languages and historical events with tropical island reggae grooves. The songs also tell of how islanders migrated to mainland Australia throughout the 20th century and their contribution to Australian society.

Together with the Mission Songs Project, Jessie and her group of world-class vocalists will bring a cultural richness to this year's festival through performance, story and contributions to panel discussions.

