

# Sunday Island Mission

1937 – 1964

## Details

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Sunday Island Mission was re-established by the United Aborigines Mission after a brief period at Wotjulum (1934-1937). It returned to the original site of the Sunday Island Mission (1899-1934). Children at Sunday Island were under the guardianship of the heads of the departments responsible for Aboriginal welfare until 1963. Sunday Island Mission closed in 1964.

## More info

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### Chronology

- Wotjulum (1934 - 1937)
  - **Sunday Island Mission (1937 – 1964)**

### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [United Aborigines Mission \(1929 - 2020\)](#)

#### Related Concepts

- [Commissioner for Native Affairs \(1936 - 1954\)](#)  
The Commissioner of Native Affairs was the legal guardian of children at Sunday Island Mission.
- [Commissioner of Native Welfare \(1954 - 1972\)](#)  
The Commissioner of Native Welfare was the legal guardian of children at Sunday Island Mission until 1963 when he could regulate the 'care' of those Aboriginal children.

### Resources

- [Bessie Ejai interviewed by Mary Anne Jebb in the Bringing Them Home after the Apology oral history project](#), 22 July 2010
- [Allan Rees interviewed by Colleen Hattersley in the Bringing them home oral history project \(2000\)](#), 25 August 2000

## Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

### Records held by other organisations

- [United Aborigines Mission, Records of activities in Western Australia \(1929? - 1977?\)](#)
  - [Records of Sunday Island Primary School \(1955 - 1962\)](#)
  - [Department of Aboriginal Affairs \[predecessors\], Records \(1886 - 2004\)](#)
  - [Files - Aboriginal Affairs \(1908 - 1997\)](#)
  - [Administration Files - Northern District Office \[N.D.G Sequence\] \(1950 - 1974\)](#)
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