

Kamballa – Parramatta – an institution for girls

Details

This is a video posted on YouTube by Sandie Jessamine, a former resident of Kamballa. It shows Sandie and her grand daughter walking around the former site of Kamballa and some photographs of Kamballa from the 1970s.

This is the text accompanying the video:

"Kamballa Special Unit was a girls home that existed between 1974 and 1983 in the buildings that had previously been Parramatta Girls Home. Kamballa held girls with emotional or behaviour problems who couldn't be managed in other juvenile prisons. I was sent there from Reiby Training School, located at Campbelltown, in 1974. I escaped from Kamballa three times. Forty years after my release I returned to finally heal the past. My return motived me to write my memoir Borderline about my time in juvenile custody and lived experience of Borderline Personality Disorder, Complex PTSD and dissociation."

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