



**Enterprise
Learning
Projects**

ELP in January

Numbulwar



The Numbulwar Weavers

Yulki Nunggumajbarr introduced us to the Numbulwar Weavers. This talented group of women are weaving baskets from traditional pandanus and recycled Ghost Nets (abandoned fishing nets). The women have been making and selling the baskets but need support to make it a viable business.

“Why can’t you look for job? We only here, it’s not a big community. There’s not much. We want to make our own jobs. We’ll start business. But we need someone to run this business too.”

“We want to have our own business, to run it.” Yulki

The at home Art Centre

Lillian Joshua has been crafting necklaces, stringing collected shells and seeds, and her husband Ivan Njalmi is busy painting.

These two master crafts people have turned their home into a working arts space, but are very keen to have a dedicated place in the community to create their art and build their skills.

“At the moment my living room is my Arts Centre” Lillian

“We went to see Gunbalanya to see Injalak and how they do it there.” Ivan





Master Weavers

Joy and Jocelyn Wilfred showcased their amazing woven pandanus mats, which they weave at home. The size and range of natural colours in the mats are stunning. They are also making beautiful pandanus Dilly Bags. The craftsmanship of the weaving is a quality that is seen in high-end galleries.

Enterprise Learning

ELP meet with the women from Numburini Arts to workshop ideas for creative arts enterprise. Everyone contributed their vision for the Art Centre, management, governance and finances. We all created a pricing guide for selling baskets to wholesale customers and the public. It was a very exciting meeting, with lots of energy around producing more baskets and growing Numburini Art in 2017!

“We’re doing this, 2017. Numburrindi Art. We gonna support Jangu. We need four people, different clans. A local group, a committee, to run it.” Yulki



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Roper Gulf x ELP

ELP met with Miguel and Michaela from Roper Gulf to discuss how we can collectively support the communities aspirations.

Michaela is working hard to facilitate a projects for the community and Miguel who is the local Trainer Builder is establishing an amazing workshop.

There are many possibilities to collaborate, and a great opportunity for the men at the workshop and the women who are weaving to produce high quality products for commercial sale.

We look forward to sharing ideas and working together in the future.



Precious Plastics

In partnership with Macquarie University, ELP have commissioned the construction of a Precious Plastics Machine. Engineering students are building a plastics recycling machine that takes plastic waste and turns it into a pliable yarn.

This yarn can be used by the Numburini Artists to weave baskets, lap shades and other valuable items.

The machine is scheduled to be completed in June 2017!

What's Next: The next visit is set for March 21-31. A pop-up Op Shop, Soap Making Workshop and local market is planned, proving a hands-on learning experience in mico-enterprise and product development. Photos and video will be taken to launch a Crowd Funding Campaign to raise needed funds for facilitation. ELP are talking with KRA and ANKA about the women running weaving workshops and host a stall at the 2017 Junk Festival. Can't wait to see you all in March!

“We'd like you to come and visit us. We've asked for this many times. Support coming to Numbulwar. To give us more ideas.” Jangu



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