

Baz Luhrmann's "Australia"



"It's virtually impossible to attempt to film a project as ambitious as "Australia" which, by necessity, must be shot on location for long periods of time without the generosity and support of the community, and with the community of Bowen shire our 'cup hath runneth over'. Apart from the physical environment being a paradise for film-making; the light; the ocean; the climate, it's been the people of Bowen and their participation on all levels from acting in minor roles to construction and ancillary services and most of all their spirit and belief in the film, that has made making this film in Bowen possible."

Security Service have risen to the challenge with professionalism

Australian Indigenous Security Service is a professionally run Private Company that has been established since 2002. Prior to this the individuals in the business have been doing Security for up to 25 years. This wealth of experience and dedication by the Security team has seen Australian Indigenous Security Service grow quickly and with confidence in all areas of Security. AISS has more than 62 Full time Security Officers and 28 Part Time, with offices in Bowen, Townsville,

Weipa, Mackay and Mt. Isa. All Security Officers have Current Certificate II in Security operations, police checks and are licensed through the Department of Fair Trading. 15 Security Officers have Certificate III in Security/Body Guarding and weapons through the Weapons Licensing Branch. Since May this year Australian Indigenous Security Service has had the pleasure of providing their services to the Baz Luhrmann

Production of 'Australia' for Bazmark Films II Pty Ltd. While this has been something of a learning curve for all concerned in our community, Security and locals alike have risen to the challenge with professionalism, dedication and enthusiasm. Australian Indigenous Security Service wishes to thank Bazmark Films II for the opportunity to work with them and also to the local people of Bowen for their positive, friendly and patient response to this endeavour.



Movie props sourced Australia-wide

All sorts of props have been sourced from around the country to ensure authenticity of *Australia* is maintained in every detail. A 93-year-old sugar cane locomotive called Homebush has been enlisted to play a significant role in the movie. Built in Leeds in 1914, Homebush started its working life in the Mackay area in 1915 and has been kept in mint condition by sugar company CSR. Homebush will be in Bowen during the filming of the movie and CSR are even arranging for train tracks to be laid along the street to complete the illusion.

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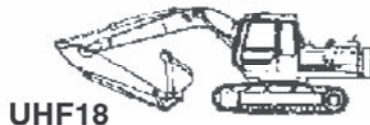
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Moving the earth for "Australia"

Jamie and Janice would like to thank all cast and crew from Bazmark Film II for the support and opportunity to service your needs for Bowen's first major production.

It has been a pleasure to work with you.

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