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Black Ink Press, in conjunction with Thuringowa Library, is preparing to launch its most recent publication ***Bajirriga the Turtle***, written by Trevor Fourmile & illustrated by Lillian Fourmile.

This mother and son team who created the Award winning ***How the Cassowary got its Helmet***, published by Black Ink Press in 2004, bring another story from their Yidinji family to life.

Bajirriga the Turtle is a full-colour, picture storybook for young readers. It is written in a traditional storytelling style and incorporates bold, stylised images. The story is about an age-old tale of the conflict of youth - Bajirriga won't cooperate with his community, and the consequences are dramatic.

Trevor, who went to South East Queensland to play Rugby League, is now writing books instead. He has become a promoter of literature and a popular speaker at schools where he shares his culture to the younger generation through storytelling. He will be visiting schools in the Townsville region in the week leading up to the launch. Trevor created the story of ***Bajirriga the Turtle*** after listening to the stories told by his grandfather.

Lillian is a busy woman, well known for her community involvement in the Far North Queensland town of Mareeba. She has been painting for over 20 years and loves to use her paintings to tell stories.

The launch will be held at Pinnacles Gallery, next to the library, on Friday, May 19, 2006 at 1.30pm. Trevor and Lillian Fourmile will be leading the day's activities, which will include storytelling and an illustration demonstration.

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