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Position Doubtful: mapping landscapes and memories (Paperback)

By Kim Mahood

Scribe Publications, Australia, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. ed. Language: English . Brand New Book. Imagine the document you have before you is not a book but a map. It is well-used, creased, and folded, so that when you open it, no matter how carefully, something tears and a line that is neither latitude nor longitude opens in the hidden geography of the place you are about to enter. Since the publication of her prize-winning memoir Craft for a Dry Lake in 2000, writer and artist Kim Mahood has been returning to the Tanami desert country in far north-western Australia where, as a child, she lived with her family on a remote cattle station. The land is timeless, but much has changed: the station has been handed back to its traditional owners; the mining companies have arrived; and Indigenous art has flourished. Comedy and tragedy, familiarity and uncertainty, are Mahood s constant companions as she immerses herself in the life of a small community and in groundbreaking mapping projects. What emerges in Position Doubtful is a revelation of the significance of the land to its people - and of the burden of history. Mahood is an artist of astonishing versatility. She...



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