

Tram No. 918



Tram No. 34 at the Bendigo Tramways Depot.

This SW6 class tram was built in 1946 by the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board (MMTB) Preston Workshops, where it operated in Melbourne as Tram No. 918.

During the late 1990s Tram No. 918 was placed into storage as part of the MMTB's reserve fleet.

In March 2005, Tram No. 918 was transferred to Bendigo to share the workload of Bendigo's ageing fleet, operating as a Vintage Talking Tram No. 34.

In 2017, Tram No. 918 was transformed into the Dja Dja Wurrung Tram to share the fascinating traditions of Bendigo's first people.

A special commentary has been created by the Dja Dja Wurrung Clan using spoken word and song and was produced by prominent musician and composer David Bridie.

This tram has been adorned inside and out with striking Aboriginal artworks created by emerging Dja Dja Wurrung artist, Natasha Carter (*pictured right*).



Tram No. 918 shares the story of Bendigo's first people, the Dja Dja Wurrung.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

Weight: 17.5 tonnes

Trucks: MMTB No. 15

Braking: Air operated self-lapping valves and hand brakes

Length: 14.17 metres

Motors: 4 X 40 hp GE 247AX2

Controllers: MMTB RC2