

**Dr Joe Toscano, medical doctor, political
campaigner, radical activist, broadcaster**



*Anarchist joins Friends for ABC fight, alongside
Lord Mayor Lecki Ord and writer June Factor*
'Militant strategies are needed in difficult times'
says Toscano (The Age, 23 Nov 2000)

Joe Toscano and Jacob Rumbiak
Eureka Day, 3 December 2013, Ballarat



Dr Joe Toscano—West Papua Rent Collective

Australia would be poorer, and much less equitable without Dr Joe's incredible political activism. I've seen him on the steps of Parliament House, all day and all night in cold wet weather, campaigning for more public housing. It took years to raise the lively monument in Franklin St for Tunnerminnerwait and Maulboyheener, the two Aboriginal men hanged in 1842. He's trying to have 3 June recognised as Mabo Day, in recognition of the Torres Strait islander Eddie Mabo who forced Australia's High Court to recognise 'native title' in June 1992.

In 2014, Joe and his wife Ellen Jose convened the West Papua Rent Collective, a group of inspired Australians who invest in *our* fight and *our* future by paying the rent on *our* beautiful five-star energy office in Docklands. There are many solidarity offices around the world, but the Docklands office is the only one that is totally *ours*.



"SO IT GOES FOR THOSE IN THE VOCATION OF CHANGE MAKING. IT IS A GRASPING, AND GRASPING BRINGS SUFFERING. IT IS A FORCING, HOWEVER SUBTLE, AND FORCE BRINGS COUNTER FORCE" (GRAEME DUNSTAN)





Ground floor, 838 Collins
St, Docklands, a five-star
energy building



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Launch, West Papua Office, 211/838 Collins St, Docklands, Victoria, 23 June 2014





WELCOME TO COUNTRY
LARRY WALSH, KULIN NATIONS OF ABORIGINAL AUSTRALIA

Photo—Tommy Latupeirissa RMS

Boardroom, 838 Collins St, Docklands, 23 June 2014



JACOB RUMBIAK

Photo—Tommy Latupeirissa RMS

Spokesperson, United Liberation Movement for West Papua
Minister for Foreign Affairs, Federal Republic of West Papua

Boardroom, 838 Collins St, Docklands, 23 June 2014



GUEST, COUNCILLOR AMANDA STONE, YARRA CITY COUNCIL

“THIS OFFICE PROVIDES A SOLID BASIS FROM WHICH JACOB RUMBIK AND OTHERS CAN CONTINUE THEIR WORK TO ACHIEVE SELF-DETERMINATION FOR THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE OF WEST PAPUA AND TO BUILD GOOD RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHERS IN OUR REGION, INCLUDING, OF COURSE, AUSTRALIA”.

“THE ENDEAVOURS OF THOSE WORKING FROM THIS OFFICE TO ENSURE THE BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS OF THEIR COUNTRYMEN, AND TO WORK TOWARDS SELF-DETERMINATION, GOOD GOVERNANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY ARE TO BE APPLAUDED AND SUPPORTED”.

“I LOOK FORWARD TO THE DAY WHEN LOCAL GOVERNMENT HERE IN VICTORIA CAN EXTEND THE HAND OF FRIENDSHIP TO A LOCAL GOVERNANCE IN WEST PAPUA, BUILDING ON AND ENRICHING GOOD RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR **NEAREST NEIGHBOURS**”.

Photo—Tommy Latupeirissa RMS



GUEST, PROFESSOR PAUL JAMES

Professor of Globalization and Cultural
Diversity, University of Western Sydney
Director, UN Global Compact Cities
Honorary Professor, King's College London

Photos—Tommy Latupeirissa RMS



Community Garden, 838 Collins St, Docklands

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ITS WEST PAPUAN, SO THERE'S ALWAYS GOOD MUSIC

Black Orchid String Band



ITS WEST PAPUAN, SO THERE'S ALWAYS GOOD FOOD
MATT GALE (SOLOMON ISLANDS) WITH DR CAMMI WEBB-GANNON (RESEARCH FELLOW, UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN SYDNEY)





RUBEN BLAKE, WEST PAPUA OFFICE WEB DESIGNER
with Ronny Kareni and Melkias Okoka

painting: YANITA THE WIDOWED BRIDE
oil on Belgium linen, Peter Woods (2011)



**CARE TO JOIN ME IN THE WEST
PAPUA RENT COLLECTIVE?**

WEST PAPUA RENT COLLECTIVE, 2014—

A unique galaxy of Australians investing in West Papua's future as an independent Melanesian state.

MEMBERSHIP

\$1 a day (\$30/month, \$360/year) pays the rent on the Federal Republic of West Papua five-star energy office at 211/838 Collins St in Docklands.

The office is co-ordinated by Jacob Rumbiak, and works Self-determination, Sustainability and Good Governance.

THE OFFICE

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The Federal Republic of West Papua (FRWP) was established in West Papua in 2011 by five thousand academics, church leaders and senior tribal leaders. It has self-determination *and* resistance capabilities and, despite the Indonesian occupation, continues to develop government structures for the future independent state.

Image: Maciej Kulczynski, Victoria Crowned Pigeon