



Short St. Gallery

Nada (Tjigilia) Rawlins

Born 1936
Language Group Wangkajunga
Region Fitzroy / West Kimberley



Biography

Nada says, "I was born in the desert in the bush. My mother never put me in a blanket. I never saw my father. We walked from the desert along the Canning Stock Route. We walked through Billiluna. One kartiya (whiteman) called Len Brown picked us up early in the morning in a truck. He took us to Moola Bulla. I had a sore on my arm and they took me to the clinic. They gave me lots of needles. When my sore was better, I lived with my family at Moola Bulla. Then we walked alongside the river to Christmas Creek. We walked, we had no motorcar. We carried our swags on our head."

Group Exhibitions

- 2017 NATSIAA, MAGNT, Darwin, NT
- 2016 Gimme Shelter - A Survey Show from the Artists of Fitzroy Valley, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
- 2016 Pinakariluny Marnalunya Ngalimpakura Artsits Jarlu Palu Wantinya, ReDot Gallery, Singapore
- 2015 Hedland Art Award, Courthouse Gallery, WA
- 2015 Everybody's Prints, Nomad Art, Darwin NT
- 2013 Darwin Art Fair, Darwin Convention Centre, NT
- 2012 Mangkaja Arts 21 Year Anniversary, Tandanya, Adelaide, SA
- 2012 Mix Emerging Artists, Better World Arts, Sydney, NSW
- 2012 Darwin Art Fair, Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin, NT
- 2009 Mangkaja Artists 60 x 60 Randell Lane Fine Art, WA
- 2009 Sharing Difference on Common Ground Holmes a Court Gallery, Perth, WA
- 2009 Waterholes and Dreaming around the percival lakes of Winpa country Cool Art, Coolum Beach, QLD
- 2009 My Country - Paintings from Yiyili Bridegt McDonnel Galley, Melbourne, VIC
- 2009 Shalom Gamarada Caspary Conference Centre, University of NSW
- 2009 Senior Strists from Fitzroy Crossing Suzanna O'Connel Gallery, Brsibane, QLD
- 2008 Wet n'Wild, Artkelch, Freiburg, Germany
- 2008 Mamintu Mapamana, ReDot Gallery, Singapore



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- 2008 Shalom Gamarda, Caspary Conference Centre, University of NSW
2008 Divas of the Desert, Gallery Gondwana, Sydney NSW
2008 Through Our Eyes - The Canning Stock Route, Port Hedland Courthouse Gallery, WA
2008 Women on Country, Suzanne O'Connell Gallery, Brisbane QLD,
2007 Living Water, Randell Lane Fine Art, Perth WA
2007 Women Artists of the Fitzroy Crossing, Raft Artspace, Darwin NT
2007 Wangkatjungka - Mapping Country WA, Japingka Gallery, Fremantle WA
2007 Bendi Lango, Fireworks Gallery, Brisbane QLD
2006 Wangkatjungka Artists, Hogarth Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2005 Artists of Wangkatjungka, Hogarth Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2005 Wangkatjungka, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
2004 This is Still My Country: 10 years on, Perth International arts Festival, Artplace, Perth
2004 Ngurrara Canvas, Perth International Art Festival Perth Concert Hall, Perth, WA
2003 Mangkaja Women, Raft Artspace, Darwin, NT
2003 Jila, Jumu, Jiwari and Wirrkuja, University of Western Australia, Perth, WA
2003 Wangkatjungka Artists Group Show, Japingka Gallery, Perth, WA
2003 Mangkaja Maminwarnti, Raft Artspace, Darwin, NT
2002 Group Show, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2002 Strength of Line, Drypoints and Etchings from the New York University Collection, Northern Territory University, Darwin, NT
2002 Short on Size, Short St. Gallery, Broome, WA
2002 Recent Works from Mangkaja, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
2002 Wangkatjungka, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
2001 Past Modern, Kimberley Landscapes, Australia Square, Short St. Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2001 Ngurrara Canvas, National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, ACT
2001 Mangkaja: Ten Year Anniversary Exhibition, Tandanya, Adelaide, SA
2001 Short on Size, Short st. Gallery, Broome, WA
2001 Little Gems, Japingka Gallery, Fremantle WA
2001 Fitzroy Women, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
2001 alice.fitzroy@af, Alliance Francais, Canberra, ACT
2000 Women's Work, Hogarth Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2000 Short on Size, Short st. Gallery, Broome, WA
1999 Ngurrara, Japingka Gallery, Fremantle, WA
1999 Story Boards, Ceramic tiles from the Kimberley, Fremantle Art Centre, WA
1999 Short on Size, Short st. Gallery, Broome, WA
1998 Group Show, Rebecca Hossack Gallery, London, UK
1997 Group Show, Hogarth Gallery, Sydney, NSW
1996 Heritage Commission Art Award, Old Parliament House, Canberra, ACT
1996 Group Show, Hogarth Gallery, Sydney, NSW



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- 1996 Group Show, Fremantle Art Centre, Perth, WA
1995 Kimberley Art, Melbourne, VIC
1995 Group show, Australian Perspectives Gallery, Brisbane, QLD
1995 National Aboriginal Art Award, Northern Territory Art Gallery and Museum, Darwin, NT
1994 Ngajakurra Ngurrara Minyarti, this is my country, Festival of Perth, Artplace Gallery, Perth, WA
1993 Mangkaja Women, Fremantle Arts Centre, WA
1993 Images of Power: Aboriginal Art from the Kimberley, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, VIC
1992 Group Show, Hogarth Gallery, Sydney, NSW
1991 Karrayili, Tandanya Aboriginal Cultural Institute, Adelaide, SA

Awards

- 2017 Finalist, NATSIAA, MAGNT, Darwin, NT

Collections

Art Gallery of New South Wales
National Gallery of Australia
National Gallery of Victoria
Fitzroy Crossing High School
Charles Darwin University
Holmes a Court Collection

Public Art

- 2008 Fitzroy Valley Education Centre, panels project

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2000 Ngurrara Entry, Oxford Companion to Aboriginal Art Oxford university Press ANU
2000 Karrayili The History of Karrayili Adult Eductaion Centre IATSIS, Canberra, ACT
1998 Jila Painted Waters of the Great Sandy Desert, Video Documentary, SBS
1994 Ngajakurra Ngurrara Minyarti, This is my Country Exhibition Catalogue
1993 Mangkaja Women, Exhibition Catalogue, Fremantle Arts Centre, WA
1991 Karrayili: 10 Years On, Exhibition Catalogue, Art Gallery of New South Wales
1991 Aboriginal Women's Exhibition Catalogue, Art Gallery of New South Wales