



Short St. Gallery



George Ward Tjungurrayi

Born c.1945
Language Group Pintupi
Region Western / Central Desert

George was born near the site of Lararra, east of Tjukurla in Western Australia c. 1955. His first contact with Europeans was made through one of the welfare patrols led by Jeremy Long and Nosepeg Tjupurrula at a rockhole south of Kiwirrkura. After travelling in to Papunya he worked both as a fencer and as a butcher in the Papunya kitchen. George's father was also the father of Yala Yala Gibbs Tjungurrayi and Willy Tjungurrayi and although they had different mothers he considers them very close brothers.

George is a senior artist at Papunya Tula Artists. He and his wife live with family in Warakurna and periodically paint for Warakurna Artists. George has exhibited widely nationally and internationally

Art Awards

2004 Wynne Landscape Prize

Solo Exhibitions

2005 'George Ward Tjungurrayi' Clarence Gallery, London, United Kingdom

Selected Group Exhibitions

2018 Welcome to Paradise, Japingka Gallery
2017 NG Salon, RAFT Artspace & Hanging Valley at Praxis Artspace
2017 Dreaming of Ngurra, Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney
2015 Tunbridge Gallery, Perth, Australia
2006 'Yawulyuru Kapalilu Palyara Nintilpayi', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
2006 'Paintings By Papunya Tula Artists', Suzanne O'Connell Gallery, Brisbane, QLD



Short St. Gallery

- 2006 'Pintupi Dreamtime', Red Dot Gallery, Singapore
2006 'A Particular Collection', Utopia Art Gallery, Singapore
2006 'Papunya Tula Artists - Recent Paintings', Harriet Place, Darwin, NT
2006 Melbourne Art Fair, Melbourne, VIC
2006 'Pintupi', Hamiltons Gallery, London, UK
2006 'Aboriginal Art 2006', Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
2006 'Right Here Right Now: Recent Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Acquisitions', National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, ACT
2006 'Papunya Tula Artists 2006', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
2006 'Across The Board', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
2006 'Group Show;', John Gordon Gallery, Coffs Harbour, NSW
2005 'New Works From The Western Desert', Indigenart, Perth, WA
2005 'Pintupi Artists', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
2005 'New Work For A New Space', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
2005 'Strong and Stately', Red Dot Gallery, Singapore
2005 'Pintupi Art 2005', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
2005 'Aboriginal Vision In Contemporary Australian Art', Wright Exhibition Space, Seattle, Washinton, USA
2005 'Papunya Tula - New Paintings From The Kintore Kiwirrkura Region', John Gordon Gallery, Coffs Harbour, NSW
2005 'Aboriginal Art 2005', Scott Livesey Art Dealer, Melbourne VIC
2005 'Papunya Tula Artists', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
2005 'New Ideas', Utopia Art Gallery, NSW
2004 'pintupi Artists', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs NT
2004 'Looking closely At Country', Ivan Dougherty Gallery, College of Fine Arts - The University of New South Wales, SYdney NSW
2004 Melbourne Art Fair, Melbourne VIC
2004 'Ma Yungu/Pass It On', Framed Gallery, Darwin NT
2004 'Aboriginal Art 2004', Scott Livesey Art Dealer, Melbourne, VIC
2004 'Talking About Abstraction', Ivan Dougherty Gallery, College of Fine Arts - Th eUniversity of New South Wales, Sydney
2004 'All About Papunya', Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
2004 'Papunya Tula Artists - 2004', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne VIC
2004 'Works from Kintore and Kiwirrkura', Alison Kelly GALLERY, Melbourne VIC
2004 'Depth of field - Anamorphosis', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
2004 Wynne Landscape Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney NSW
2004 'Pintupi Art 2004', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
2003 'Papunya Tula - Slected Paintings', William Mora Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
2003 'Pintupi Artists', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs NT



Short St. Gallery

- 2003 'Papunya Tula Artists - A Gift From The Desert', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2003 Framed Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2003 'Masterpieces From The Western Desert', Gavin Graham Gallery, London, UK
- 2003 'Pintupi Art From The Western Desert', Indigenart, Subiaco, WA
- 2003 Kintore-kiwirrukurta 2003', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 2003 The Desert Mob Art Show, Araluen Art Center, Alice Springs, NT
- 2003 20th Telstra National and Torres Strait Islander Art Award, Darwin, NT
- 2003 'Papunya Tula selected Paintings', William Mora Galleries, Melbourne, Victoria
- 2003 'Pintupi Art 2003', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 2002 'Pintupi Artists', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs NT
- 1993 Dreamtime Gallery, Broadbeach, QLD
- 1992 Dreamtime Gallery, Broadbeach, QLD
- 1990 'Friendly Country - Friendly People', Araluen Arts Center, Alice Springs, NT

Collections

National Gallery of Australia
Art Gallery of New South Wales
Charles Darwin University

Selected Bibliography

- 1990 Kimber R. Friendly Country - Friendly People, exhibition catalogue, Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, Australia, 1990.
- 1994 Johnson V. Aboriginal Artists of the Western Desert, A Biographical Dictionary, Craftsman House, New South Wales, 1994.
- 2003 Scott Livesey Art Dealer, 'Masterpieces From The Western Desert', exhibition catalogue, London, United Kingdom, 2003.
- 2004 Scott Livesey Art Dealer, 'Aboriginal Art 2004', exhibition catalogue, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.
- 2006 Hamiltons Gallery, 'Pintupi', exhibition catalogue, London, United Kingdom, 10.