



Estelle Munkanome

Born1960RegionTiwi IslandsDanceShark

Mother's country

Father's country

Jikarruwu, Bathurst Island

Port Hud, Bathurst Island

Estelle has been working with Ngaruwanajirri since 1996. Her early works with natural ochres were very delicate. More recent paintings have become bolder in line, colour and dot. The structure and ideas in Estelle's paintings are often reflected in her batiks on silk, where she uses Napthol and Drimarine K dyes.

Artist's statement: I like painting cards and beads and silk (scarves). Like putting wax on the silk. I like painting circles and lines with ochre paints.

Media

Natural ochres on Arches paper/canvas Batik on silk Watercolours on paper

Exhibitions

2018 Nginingawula Awirankini Waki, Dounble Tree, Darwin, NT

2017 Yirringinkiri Pwoja: A group exhibition by Tiwi artist, Double Tree by Hilton,

The Esplanade, Darwin, NT

2016 Ngawila Jllamara Exhibition: Presenting New works by Tiwi Artists,

Double tree by Hilton, The Esplanade, Darwin



Short St. Gallery

2015 2013	Alfonso Puautjimi: Tiwi Artist, Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Waterloo, Sydney Stable Ground; in conjunction with Good Strong Powerful exhibition, Chan Contemporary Art Space, Darwin
2011	Ngaruwanajirri: Helping one another - A retrospective exhibition of works by Ngaruwanajirri artist, Charles Darwin University Art Gallery, Casuarina, Nt
2011-2013	Good Strong Powerful - touring exhibition,
2010	Raft Artspace Christmas Show, Raft Artspcae, Alice Springs, NT
2010	No Words Necessary, SUzanne O'Connell Gallery, Australian Indigenous
	Art, New Farm, Queensland
2010	Kapala, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
2010	Arampini: Artist from the Tiwi Islands, NAS Gallery, National Art School,
	Darlinghurst, Sydney
2010	Outstation Art, Parap, NT
2010	Nomad Art, ACT
2010	White, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
2009	'Prelude', Charles Darwin University Art Collection, Darwin, NT
2009	'New Works by Loma Kantilla, Estelle Munkanome & Alfonso Puautjimi',
	Raft Artspace, Darwin, N.T.
2009	'Gifted II - Recent Acquisitions', CDU, Darwin, NT
2008	'Tokwampini Tiwi Bird Carvings', Aboriginal & Pacific Art, Sydney, NSW
2008	Raft Artspace, Darwin, N.T.
2008	'The Other Thing: A Survey Show', CDU, Darwin, NT
2008	'Fabulous Top End Fabrics - Exhibitions of Textiles from the Tiwi Islands',
	Territory Craft Darwin Gallery, Darwin, NT
2008	'Ngaruwanajirri - New Works', Alison Kelly Gallery, Richmond, Victoria
2008	New Work fromTiwi Island, SoMA Galleries, Norwood, SA
2007	'Ngaruwanajirri Yikurri' Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney, NSW
2007	'Yırrinkiripwaja', Ngaruwanajirri Group Exhibition, FAC Gallery, University of
	Wollongong, NSW
2007	Three Man Show with Ochre on Canvas by Estelle, Loma Kantilla and
	Alfonso Puautjimi, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
2007	Tiwi Art, Raft Art Space, Darwin, NT
2006	Raft Art Space, Darwin, NT
2006	Our Home, Charles Darwin University, Darwin, NT
2006	All the Tiwi Mob, Short st. Gallery, Broome, WA
2006	Ngarywanajirri Group Exhibtion, Supreme Court, Darwin, NT
2006	Jarrumani (Tracks), Alison Kelly Gallery, Melbourne, Vic
2006	From the Edge, Ivan Dougherty, College of Fine Arts, University of NSW,
0000	Sydney, NSW
2006	Threading the Commonwealth: Textile Tradition, Culture, Trade and
	Politics, RMIT Gallery, RMIT University, Vic



2005	Ngaruwanajirri, Aboriginal & Pacific Arts, Sydney, NSW
2005	Ngaruwanajirri Artists at Raft II, Raft Artspace, Darwin, NT
2004	Yirrajirrima, Raft Art Space, Darwin, NT
2004	Wamarringa, Alison Kelly Gallery, Prahan, Vic
2003	Ngaruwanajirri Yirrara, Aboriginal & Pacfic Art, Sydney, NSW
2002	Tayikuwapi, Coomalie Cultural Centre, Batchelor, NT
2002	Ngaruwanajirri, Paintings by Tiwi Artists, Aboriginal & Pacific Art, Sydney, NSW
2000	Good Food, Good Sea, Travelling exhibtion with Art Blacks Nets
1998	Ngawamantawi, Indigenart (Mossenson Gallery), Subiaco, WA

Collections

Charles Darwin University Art Collection Bachelor Institute of Teritary Education Artbank Collection Lam Collection, University of San Antonio National Gallery of Victoria Museum of Contemporary Aboriginal Art University of Newcastle Art Collection