

# Short St. Gallery



## Renita Stanley

Birth Year	1962
Birth Place	Emabella
Language Group	Pitjantjatjara
Region	APY Lands

### Biography

Renita was born at Emabella Mission in 1962. She has lived there all her life, attending the mission school and following her mother, Nungalka, into the 'craft room' upon leaving school. She has one son who has also recently taken up work in the ceramics studio. The oldest of five children, Renita and her siblings spent much of their time growing up out at their parents homeland, Tjalyritja in times when the homelands movement was stronger.

Renita has travelled overseas and participated in batik workshops in Indonesia in Yogyakarta. She has exhibited widely around Australia, in the varied mediums of batik, painting, and more recently ceramics. She likes demonstrating her decorative skills to other people. Renita's distinctive walka/design draws from traditional mark-marking but is her own interpretation of these patterns.

As well as her full time arts career, Renita is strongly involved with the church, in particular the singing of hymns in Pitjantjatjara at regular gatherings at Emabella. She has written and recorded her own songs, and plays the keyboards proficiently. Renita was amongst the new and younger choir members who travelled to Adelaide to perform as part of the 2004 Festival.

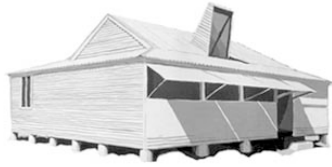
Renita has an ever-present sense of humour and a highly recognisable laugh! She was the Chairperson of Emabella Arts in 2006-2207 and is now the Anangu Mayaŋja.



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## Exhibitions:

- 2018 Bush Christmas, Talapi Gallery, Alice Springs, NT
- 2017 Nganampa Kilipi Kuwartija Tjuta pakani: Our Rising Stars II, Hazelhurst Regional Gallery, Sydney NSW
- 2015 Our Mob, Adelaide Festival Centre
- 2015 Colour your World, Artitja Fine Art, South Fremantle
- 2014 Pilanypa, Harvey Arts Projects, Idaho USA
- 2014 Right Now: In Support of Artist Resale Royalty, Boomalli Gallery, Leichardt NSW
- 2014 Tjungu Warkarintja: Fifteen Years, Sabbia Gallery, Paddington NSW
- 2013 Tjukurpa Nganampa Kunpu Kanyintjaku (Keeping our Stories Strong) HARvey Arts projects, Idaho USA
- 2013 Putitja: From the Bush Strathnairn Arts, Canberra ACT
- 2013 Nyingga (The Cold Time of the Year) Harvey Art Projects, Idaho USA
- 2012 Tjukurpa Mulapa, Redot Fine Art Gallery, Singapore
- 2012 Tjamuku Kamiku Tjukurpa, outstation Gallery, Darwin NT
- 2012 Ngayuku Ngura, Ngayuku Tjukurpa, South Asutralian Museum, Adelaide SA
- 2012 Ngapartji Ngapartji, Canberra Playhouse Theatre, Canberra ACT
- 2011 Strong Women Strong painting Strong Culture, Cusula Powerhouse Arts Centre, Casula NSW (two year regionally touring exhibition)
- 2011 Ngura Kutjara Wangka Mantanguru, Strathnairn Gallery, Canberra ACT
- 2011 New Paintings from Ernabella Arts, Marshall Arts, SA
- 2011 Kuwari-Ernabella Arts Now, Chapman Gallery, ACT
- 2011 Ernabella Undiscovered, Tunbridge Gallery, Margaret River WA
- 2011 Desert Mob, Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs NT
- 2011 Ngura Kutju, Tjukurpa Pulkatjara, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
- 2011 Ngura kutjara wangka mantanguru, Strathnairn Gallery, Canberra, ACT
- 2010 Ngura Nganampa (Our Country), Outstation Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2010 Ngayuku nguru / My Country, Jam Factory, Adelaide, SA
- 2009 Ernabella Ceramics, Birrung Gallery, Sydney, NSW (Ceramics Triennial)
- 2009 Celebrating Country: Kinship and Culture, Seymour College, Adelaide, SA
- 2008 Desert Mob, Araluen Centre, Alice Springs, NT
- 2008 Nganampa Tjukurpa: Our Stories, Indigenart (Mossenson Galleries, Perth, WA)
- 2008 Nganampa warka wiru (Our work is beautiful), Cudgegong Gallery, Gulgong, NSW
- 2008 Kiti Art New Batik from Ernabella, Fabric of Life, Fringe Festival, Adelaide, SA
- 2007 Visions of Country, Seymour College, Adelaide, SA
- 2007 Desert Diversity, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
- 2007 Desert Mob, Araluen Centre, Alice Springs, NT
- 2007 Ernabellaa Collection of New Works, Australia Dreaming Art, Melbourne, VIC
- 2007 Museum of Modern Art, Comune di Spoleto, Italy



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- 2006 Anangu Backyard, Adelaide Festival Centre, Adelaide, SA  
2006 Homeland/Heartland, Adelaide, SA  
2006 Fabric of Life, Adelaide, SA  
2005 Beanies Liek Birds, Alice Springs Beanie Festival, Fabric of Life, Adelaide,  
Walkabout Gallery, Sydney  
2004 Manta Atunmankunytja/Looking After Country, Flinders University Art Museum,  
Adelaide, SA  
2004 Inuntji Like lush new growth after rain, Jam Factory, Adelaide, SA  
1998 Threefold: An Exhibition in three parts for shift, Canberra School of Art,  
Canberra, ACT  
1998 Ernabella Walka/Ernabella Design, Uluru Cultural Centre, Muti Tjulu, NT  
1998 Australian Girls Own Gallery, Canberra, ACT  
1998 Hidden Horizons, Tandanya, Adelaide, SA  
1997 The Meeting Place, Artback NETS (then travelling nationally)  
1997 Desert Mob, Araluen Centre, Alice Springs, NT

## **Collections**

National Gallery of Australia  
Art Gallery of South Australia  
Power House Museum  
National Museum of Australia  
Dreamtime Gallery, Florida, USA  
National Museum of Scotland