



Short St. Gallery



Spider Kalbybidi

Born	c. 1928 – 2008
Language Group	Yulparija
Region	Unjada

Spider was a senior law man from the Western Desert. His full sister is Alma (Kalaju) Webou and fellow-artist Weaver Jack also calls him Brother. He was born near the Canning Stock Route at Unjada and was initiated into manhood at Naru. He walked in from the desert near Well 33 to Bidyadanga in the late 1960's with other members of the Yulparija people whose land was threatened by severe drought at this time.

He was highly respected among his people for his wide knowledge of bush culture and is sadly missed.

Group Exhibitions

2014	Saltwater Soul Desert Heart, Short St Gallery Broome, WA
2011	Bidyadanga Recent Paintings, Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
2010	Melbourne Art Fair, Royal Exhibition Building. - Short St Gallery & William Mora Galleries present the Yulparija artists
2008	From Desert to Saltwater, Booker-Lowe Gallery, Houston Texas, USA
2008	Bidyadanga Artists 2008, AP Bond Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA

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2007	Yulparija Works on Board, Short St Gallery, Broome W
2007	Winpa, Raft Art Space, Darwin, NT
2007	From the Bungalow I: Yulparija Artists, Johnston Gallery, Perth, WA
2006	Northern Journey, The Priory at Bingie, Bingie, NSW
2006	Men's Show, Art House Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2006	23rd Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Awards, Darwin, NT
2005	Weaver Jack, Donald Moko, Spider Kalbybidi: Recent Works from Bidyadanga, William Mora Gallery, Melbourne, Vic
2005	Bidyadanga Survey Show, Short st. Gallery, Broome, WA

Collections

Myer Collection
Flea from Red Hot Chilli Pepper's private collection
National Gallery of Victoria
Felton Collection

Bibliography

Third Text, Dreams and Magic in Surrealism and Aboriginal Art, Darren Jorgenson, 2011
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