



Short St. Gallery

Curtis Barunga

Born	1995
Language Group	Worrorra
Region	Fitzroy / West Kimberley

Biography

Curtis is the third child in his family, and the son of Gordon Barunga who is a senior artist at the Mowanjum Art and Culture Centre. In turn, he's the grandson of the renowned and highly respected Albert Barunga, an Elder and community leader of the Worrorra people at 'old' Mowanjum.

Curtis was born in Derby and grew up out in Mowanjum watching his father and the other elders painting and learning about the Wandjina that represents the three tribes of his community.

Curtis is Worrorra from his father's side and Ngarinyin from his mother's side. He now lives in Derby with his own family.

Curtis is a young emerging artist here at the Mowanjum Art and Culture Centre and paints his traditional culture in a distinctive contemporary style. He participates in the annual Mowanjum Festival, helping the old people sing and dance Junba.

Group Exhibitions

2020 REVEALED – Fremantle Art Centre, Perth WA

Commissions

2000 Sydney Olympics Opening Ceremony – Large Scale Sculpture