



# **Allery Sandy**

**Born** 1955

LanguageYindjibarndiRegionEast Pilbara

Allery Sandy is the daughter of Sandy Andrews and Lila King. She was born in Roebourne, the fourth of eleven children. She has a family of two daughters and a son - Joanne, Donna, and Bobby Willis. Allery's first job was with the Community Welfare selling second-hand clothing, followed by running a play group in the community for needy children. In 1986 she was employed as the Aboriginal Islander Education worker in Roebourne Pre-primary School, followed in 1990 by teaching her own Yindjibarndi language through a LOTE (Languages Other Than English) program. In 2001 she left the school and found work with a team of women doing cooking and sewing and she is also involved in the ministry of the Aboriginal Church.

Allery started painting in February 2006, enrolling in short courses in painting and design. She has a natural talent that has progressed very quickly. Allery loves to paint the landscape of her country. She begins her works with an underpainting using sponge and brush work and then finishes off with a fine layer of dot work. creating a sense of movement and depth of field on the canvas. Allery has a number of subjects she likes to paint. She enjoys painting the bush seeds of her country, its creeks and rivers, wildflowers in season and trees that are specific to her Pilbara country. Allery loves to tell stories that were told to her by her father and grandfather. Her favourite style of painting her country is from an aerial perspective. Allery Sandy regularly exhibits in private galleries in Fremantle and Sydney, has won a number of prizes at the Cossack Art Awards, and is represented in public and private collections. Allery has been the Chairperson of Yinjaa-Barni Art since 2006 and is a highly respected member of the Yindjibarndi community and a passionate communicator of her culture. In 2014, Allery was both a SBS off her painting performer and Yindjibarndi language and cultural advisor for the play, "Hipbone Sticking Out". Allery has a film that can be seen on SBS online called Marni (My Painting Style)



### **Solo Exhibitions**

2018 Back Roads ABC TV

## **Group Exhibitions**

2023	Linton & Kay NAIDOC Exhibition
2023	Holmes a Court Gallery – Murujunga
2023	Cossack Art Awards 2018-2023
2023	Colours of our Country 2017 - 2022
2022	Changing Colours, Short St Gallery, Broome WA
2017	Ngurra Nyingu, Woodside, Perth, WA
2017	Cossack Art Awards
2017	Colours of our Country, Rio Tinto Exhibition, Perth, WA
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2016	Cossack Art Awards
2015	Exhibition Yinjaa-Barni Art, Japingka Gallery, Perth
2015	Colours of Our Country, Rio Tinto Exhibition, Perth, WA
2014	Ngurra Nyingu, Woodside, Perth, WA
2014	Chalkhorse Exhibition, Sydney, NSW
2014	Colours of our Country, Rio Tinto Exhibition, Perth, WA
2013	Exhibition Yinjaa-Barni Art, Japingka Gallery, Perth
2013	Ngurra Nyingu, Woodside, Perth, WA
2013	Colours of our Country, Rio Tinto, Perth, WA
2012	Telstra Art Awards, Darwin
2012	Ngurra Nyingu, Woodside, Perth, WA
2012	Colours of our Country, Rio Tinto Exhibition, Perth, WA
2011	Ngurra Nyingu, Woodside, Perth, WA
2011	Exhibition Yinjaa-Barni Art, Japingka Gallery, Perth
2011	Ngurra Nyingu, Woodside, Perth, WA
2011	Yinjaa-Barni Art Exhibition Chalk Horse Gallery, Surry Hills, Sydney
2011	Colours of our Country
2011	Colours of our Country, Rio Tinto, Perth, WA
2010	Exhibition Yinjaa-Barni Art, Japingka Gallery, Perth
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2007	LNG World Conference, Barcelona, Spain
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### **Collections**

Western Australia Parliament House Collection Art Gallery of Western Australia Art Gallery of Northern Territory Flinders University Art Museum Australian Embassy Yangon Restore Hope Foundation

#### **Awards**

2023	Cossack Art Awards, Pilbara Indigenous Artists Winner
2020	Cossack Art Awards, Overall Winner
2014	Cossack Art Awards, Best Painting by WA Indigenous Artist
2008	Cossack Art Awards, Best Artwork by West Australian Artist
2007	Cossack Art Awards, Best Painting, Landscape, Oil or Acrylic