

Short St. Gallery



Corban Clause Williams

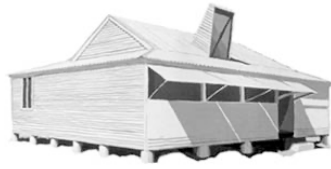
Born 1994
Language Manyjilyjarra
Region The Pilbara

"My name is Corban Clause Williams. I was born in Newman hospital. Mum, Dad, Nanna and Pop lived in Jigalong before, but they moved into town before I was born. I'm one of seven children. I grew up in Newman- this is my home. I like to travel but I worry about home. When I was younger I went to Newman Primary School and Newman Senior High School.

My Nanna and Pop used to take us out hunting for bush tucker. I'd help them make a fire and tea. Me and Pop would go out to the swamp area between Newman and Kumarina. Nan, Pop, Mum and Dad would tell funny stories about our family and make me laugh.

I work teaching Cultural Awareness with KJ (Kanyirninpa Jukurrpa, ranger organisation) teaching Cultural Awareness, and help the YMCA with youth programs. I work at Martumili too, helping to sell the paintings and get the canvas ready. With Martumili I travelled too. Gold Coast was my first big trip and [I've been to] Perth, Adelaide and Sydney.

I'm [also] a Martumili artist. I come to Martumili to paint about my Country, where my grandfather walked around and collected food, and visited the same rockholes I do. I paint to keep my culture and stories and share with others. Sometimes I paint with my nanna Jakayu [Biljabu] (dec.). I learn from her a little bit. My skin name is Milangka and Kaalpa (Kalypa, Canning Stock Route Well 23) is my grandfather Country. I was really happy to go see my grandfather's Country- pukurlpa (happy). When I paint I feel like its home. Doing it on the canvas, feel like I'm standing there back at home."



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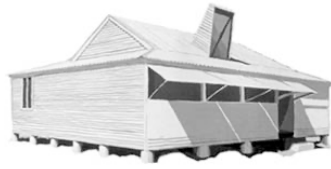
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Solo Exhibitions

2019 Kaalpa, The Port Hedland Courthouse Gallery, WA

Group Exhibitions

- 2022 Nyinani (Staying put)
- 2022 Tracks We Share
- 2021 The Exposure Collective, Perth Center for Photography, Perth, WA
- 2021 Desert Mob 2021, Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs, NT
- 2021 Marlpa (Company), Aboriginal Contemporary, Waverley, NSW
- 2021 Martumili Mob, The Courthouse Gallery, Port Hedland, WA
- 2021 Paper Wangka (Paper Story), Martumili Gallery, Newman, WA
- 2021 Pukurlpa (happy inside), Martumili Gallery, Newman, WA
- 2020 Cossack Art Awards Exhibition, City of Karratha, Cossack, WA
- 2020 Martumili Ngurra - Our Country, Aboriginal Contemporary, Bronte, NSW
- 2020 What Now? The Good Shed, Claremont, WA
- 2020 Belonging to Martu, Harvey Arts Project, Idaho, US
- 2020 Ngurra Means Home, Martumili Gallery, Newman, WA
- 2020 Strong Country, Paul Johnstone Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2020 Living Water, Aboriginal Contemporary, Waverley NSW
- 2020 Kujungka - Young and Old Together, Aboriginal Signature, Brussels, Belgium
- 2019 To Be Continued, Fremantle Art Center, WA
- 2019 DesArt Photography Prize Exhibition, Alice Springs, NT
- 2019 Punmukartil, Yama Gaanu, More NSW
- 2019 Desert Mob 2019, Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs NT
- 2019 Martumili Kuulkaja (Mart Schools), Martumili Gallery, Newman, WA
- 2019 Desert Mob 2019, Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs, NT
- 2019 Martu Wangka, Martumili Gallery, Newman, WA
- 2018 Hedland Art Award, The Courthouse Gallery, Port Hedland, WA
- 2018 DesArt Photography Prize Exhibition, Alice Springs, NT
- 2018 Desert Mob 2019, Araluen Art Centre, WA
- 2018 Martuku Ninti (Martu Knowledge), Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne VIC
- 2018 Pujiman, Martumili Artists and Spinifex Hill Artists, Courthouse Gallery, WA
- 2017 Hedland Art Award, The Courthouse Gallery, Port Hedland, WA
- 2017 Art at the Heart, Martumili Gallery, Newman, WA
- 2017 Desert Mob, Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs, NT
- 2017 Community Life, Martumili Gallery, Newman, WA



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2016 Revealed Emerging Aboriginal artists from Western Australia, Fremantle Arts Centre, WA

Collections

Art Gallery of Western Australia
Macquarie Collection

Awards

2020 Besting Painting by Pilbara Indigenous Artist, Cossack Art Awards
2019 Rio Tinto Midwest Aboriginal Art Award, Midwest Arts Awards
2018 Best Work by an Artist Under 25, Hedland Art