

Short St. Gallery



Rosie Tasman

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Napurrurla was the older sister of Molly Napurrurla Tasman. They paint together in Lajamanu. Napurrurla was a tiny lady full of dynamic knowledge about her stories shown in the paintings she created. She caring dedicated lady who grew up in the Tanami Desert and walked along her story lines. Her depth of character and hardship she endured has caused her to produce beautiful creations of Dreamtime using colourful bold linework and dots. When she was born her family knew only one way to travel across their vast lands and that was by foot using the stories contained in her art as a guide. The cattle industry saw the beginning of Warnayaka Warlpiri being forced from their lands. Her love and dedication to Warlpiri Culture and ultimately her lands and family is born out in the art she created. This art has been widely exhibited in Australia and overseas. She was a finalist in the 2010 Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Awards. Major Collections: National Gallery of Victoria and Artbank.

Group Exhibitions

- 2017 A Vibrant Collection of Contemporary Art, Canberra
- 2017 NGURRA KURW
- 2017 Environment Defenders
- 2016 YAAMA GANIJ Gallery NSW
- 2015 Art Gallery of South Australia
- 2015 Form Gallery
- 2015 Environment Defenders Office
- 2015 Tunbridge Gallery



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- 2015 Jaktman Contemporary Art Gallery
- 2014 Western Desert Nganampa Walytja Palyantajaku Tjuta
- 2014 Vivien Anderson Gallery
- 2012 Galerie Yapa Paris France
- 2012 Brave Festival Wroclaw Poland
- 2012 "Touch the Ground" Brits Art Germany
- 2011 Merenda Gallery, Perth
- 2010 Gadfly Gallery, Perth
- 2009 Framed Gallery, Darwin
- 2009 Lajamanu "Milpirri"
- 2008 Darwin Entertainment Centre, Holiday Inn, Darwin
- 1999 Australian Embassy, Washington, USA
- 1994 Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne
- 1994 William Mora Galleries, Melbourne
- 1993 University of Western Sydney
- 1992 Corkwood Dreaming Gallery, Adelaide
- 1992 Civic Centre, Alice Springs
- 1992 Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs
- 1991 Ecole des Beaux-Arts, Grenoble, France
- 1991 Australian Embassy, Washington, USA
- 1991 Civic Centre, Alice Springs
- 1990 1991, 1992, TAFE College, Darwin
- 1990 "Paint up Big" National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
- 1989 Dreamtime Gallery, Perth
- 1989 Westpac Gallery, Melbourne
- 1989 Dreamtime Gallery, Perth
- 1989 Lauraine Diggins Fine Art, Melbourne
- 1986 Hotel International, Adelaide

Collections

Melbourne Artbank National Gallery of Victoria Peter Boehm Collection ARTBANK - AUSTRALIA Donald Kahn Collection Art Gallery of South Australia Unwin Collection The Holmes a Court Collection