



# Short St. Gallery



## Stephanie Yukenbarri

Born 1991  
Language Kukatja  
Region Fitzroy / West Kimberley

Stephanie is part of a strong painting family. She is the granddaughter of Helicopter Tjungurrayi and Lucy Yukenbarri (deceased). Her mother is Cathy Yukenbarri, and aunts Christine and Imelda Yukenbarri are also esteemed artists.

Born in Derby, Stephanie grew up in Balgo and continues to live there with her three boys and husband. When her kids got older she started working as a Teaching Assistant at Luumpa Catholic school, occasionally coming to the art centre to paint and learn from her old people. Last year Stephanie was given permission from Helicopter to paint her Grandmother's way, depicting the stories she heard from Lucy Yukenbarri and experimenting with her distinctive paint application.

At the end of 2022 Stephanie travelled to Perth to accept the honour of 'Western Australia's Cultural Living Treasure' award on behalf of her grandfather, she was very proud and happy to see him recognised in this way.

## Group Exhibitions

- 2024 Desert decedent's, Short St Gallery, Broome WA
- 2023 Desert Mob - Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs
- 2023 Balgo Survey Show - Aboriginal Contemporary, Sydney
- 2023 Kutjuwarrainpala Tutjulu Wakaminpa: all women painting together - Paul Johnstone Gallery, Darwin



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2023 Revealed: New and Emerging WA Artists - Fremantle Art Centre, WA

2023 Balgo Cool - Short Street Gallery, Broome

## Awards

2023 Finalist, Kimberley Art & Photography Prize, Derby

2023 Finalist, The Jury Art Prize, Port Hedland

## Collections

Marc Pinto Collection

University of Newcastle, NSW