Edna Dale

Born	1983
Language Group	Ngarinyin
Region	West Kimberley

Biography

Edna Dale is a Ngarinyin woman and chairperson of Imintji Community, where she lives with her husband Lance Bedford and their seven daughters. Edna is the daughter of famous Kimberley artist Jack Dale Mengenen (dec 1920-2013). Growing up she spent much of her time by her father's side traveling their country, watching him paint and tell stories.
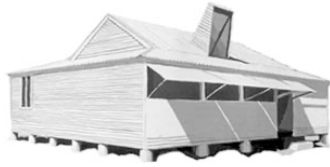
Edna has her own distinct style however her elongated Wandjina figures and minimalist aesthetic are a clear departure from the imagery of her father.

Edna's father also taught her the Law and showed her the many cave sites that are sacred to Ngarinyin people, especially around Imintji, on the Gibb River Road.

Edna's husband Lance Bedford is the son of famous Gija painter Paddy Bedford and their oldest daughter, Petrina Bedford is also a talented emerging artist.

Group Exhibitions

2017	Sydney Opera House – Sydney Homeground Markets
2016	Darwin Art Fair – Darwin, NT
2016	Kimberley Art Prize – Derby, WA
2016	Mowanjum Festival – Mowanjum Art and Cultural Centre, Derby, WA
2015	Darwin Art Fair –Darwin, NT
2015	Kimberley Art Prize – Derby, WA
2015	Mowanjum Festival – Mowanjum Art and Cultural Centre, Derby, WA
2015	Shinju Art Prize
2014	Darwin Art Fair – Darwin, NT
2014	Kimberley Art Prize – Derby, WA
2014	Mowanjum Festival – Mowanjum Art and Cultural Centre, Derby, WA
2014	Feature artist, Ashurst Legal Reconciliation Policy, Ashurst Legal
2013	Darwin Art Fair – Darwin, NT
2013	Kimberley Art Prize – Derby, WA
2013	Mowanjum Festival – Mowanjum Art and Cultural Centre, Derby, WA

2013   Revealed, Emerging Western Australian Aboriginal Artists, Gallery Central,
              Central Institute, Perth, WA
2012   Darwin Art Fair – Darwin, NT
2012   Kimberley Art Prize – Derby, WA
2012   Mowanjum Festival – Mowanjum Art and Cultural Centre, Derby, WA

Bibliography

2013   *Dale's Daughter To Show Own Art,* Broome Advertiser, Therese Phillips

Commissions

2000   Sydney Olympics Opening Ceremony – Large Scale Sculpture