

Debra Umala

Born 1979

Language Pitjantjatjara

Region Mimilli, APY Lands

Biography

Debra Umala is a Pitjantjatjara artist from Mimili Community on the APY Lands and now lives between Mimili and Adelaide.

Debra's mum is Audrey Umala and is also a painter at the Collective Art Centre Adelaide.

Debra says "I was born in Alice Springs in 1979. I paint the waterholes from Victory Hill where mum used to take us when we were little. We still take the children there. We swim in the big one - we swim, dance and drink the fresh water. I am a mother of five and grandparent of two, and I paint this story because it is important to teach the little ones."