

Angus Tjungurrayi

Born 1988

LanguagePintupi, NTRegionKiwirrkura, WA

Biography

Angus Tjungurrayi was born in Alice Springs on June 1st, 1988. He is the son of internationally-renowned Papunya Tula artists Warlimpirrgna Tjapaltjarri and Yalti Napangati, both members of the Pintupi Nine – the last remaining group of traditional hunter-gatherers who first encountered settler Australians in 1984. Angus lives and works in Kiwirrkura community, one of the most remote communities in the world situated deep in the Western Desert, 700km west of Mparntwe/Alice Springs.

Angus heralds from a strong lineage of artists including uncles Walala and Tamayinya Tjapaltjarri, Robert and Vincent Nanala and auntie, Winifred Nanala. He regularly paints his custodial sites and associated Tjukurrpa (Dreaming Stories) including Wilkinkarra (Lake Mckay) and the secret-sacred Tingari song-cycle. Angus learnt to paint watching his father in Kiwirrkura studio, utilising the optical techniques his father is famous for – 'flashes' that encode and reveal esoteric meaning. Unlike his father, Angus' works are often hard, angular, geometric compositions with Western characters of personal meaning embedded, merging traditional and contemporary Pintupi life.

Solo Exhibitions

2024 Wilkinkarra, STATION Gallery, Melbourne, VIC

Group Exhibitions

- 2010 Small Paintings, Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 2012 Forty Years of Papunya Tula Artists, Harvey Art Projects, USA, Sun Valley, Idaho, USA
- 2017 Community VIII, Utopia Art Sydney, Sydney, NSW
- 2018 Community IX, Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2019 Lingkitu Ngalula Still Stron, Paul Johnstone Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2019 Pintupi Show 2019, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2019 Community X, Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2022 Community XI, Utopia Art Sydney, NSW



Short St. Gallery

- 2023 Irritija Kuwarri Tjungu (Past & Present Together): 50 Years of Papunya Tula Artists, Kluge-Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection, Australian Embassy to the United States of America, Washington DC, USA
- 2024 Kutjungkarrinyi Gathering Together, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2024 Irrititja pululanguru kuwarritja: from the past, and today, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs
- 2024 Quarantine Art Fair, Portsea, VIC
- 2025 The Wynne Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, NSW
- 2025 Transitional Beauty, ReDot Gallery, Singapore
- 2025 Desert Mob, Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT