



Short St. Gallery



Alfonso Puautjimi

Born 1969
Language Tiwi
Region Tiwi Islands

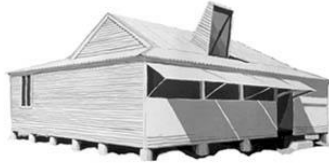
Alfonso has been painting with the Ngaruwanajirri group since 1997. Subject matter of his paintings is drawn from his environment: Tutini (pukumani poles), carved heads, figures and birds as still life groupings, local landscape including houses, trees, boats, bicycles, planes and cars. Alfonso uses bold brush strokes, generous paint application and applies black lines over broad areas of colour, finishing with another layer of colour. His paintwork has a strong textural effect.

Solo Exhibitions

2019 Natural ochres on paper. Alfonso at Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney
2006 "Alfonso Puautjimi Recent Works", William Mora Galleries, Richmond, Victoria

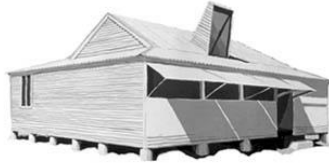
Group Exhibitions

2020 Works on paper by Alfonso Puautjimi, Lorna Kantilla, Lillian Kerinaia, Jane Tipuamantumirri and Estelle Munkanome "TIWI" NGV exhibition of Tiwi art
2020 Group exhibition with works by Alfonso, Lorna Kantilla, Jane Tipuamantumirri and Alexandrina Kantilla. Short St Gallery Broome WA.
2019 "Pupuni Jilamara Nginingwula Group exhibition with Jilamara Arts and Munupi Arts Hilton Double Tree



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- 2018 "Nginingawula Awirankini Waki Group exhibition with Jilamara and Munupi from Melville Island at the Hilton Double Tree Darwin.
- 2017 Works by artists from Munupi Arts, Jilamara Arts and Crafts Association and Ngaruwanajirri Inc. Ochre works on canvas by Alfonso. 'Yirringinkiri Pwoja' Group exhibition Double Tree by Hilton. The Esplanade, Darwin N.T.
- 2016 Presenting new works by artists from Munupi Arts, Jilamara Arts and Crafts Association and Ngaruwanajirri Inc. 'Ngawila Jilamara' Double Tree by Hilton, Darwin N.T.
- 2015 Works by Alfonso Puautjimi, Jane Tipuamantumirri and Estelle Munkanome. 'Ngaruwanajirri Tiwi Artists Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Waterloo, Sydney.
- 2013 In conjunction with Good Strong Powerful final exhibition. 'Stable Ground' - Artback NT exhibition, Contemporary Art Space Darwin
- 2013 Works by Jane Tipuamantumirri and Alfonso Puautjimi. 'Alfonso & Jane' Nomad Art Darwin N.T.
- 2011 A retrospective exhibition of works by all Ngaruwanajirri artists. 'Ngaruwanajirri : helping one another' Charles Darwin University Art Gallery, Casuarina, NT.
- 2011 Alfonso Puautjimi, Lorna Kantilla and Estelle Munkanome. 'Good Strong Powerful'- Artback NT exhibition. Travelling Australia from 2011 to August 2013.
- 2010 New Tiwi works by Conrad Tipungwuti, Estelle Munkanome, Alfonso Puautjimi. No Words Necessary. Suzanne O'Connell Gallery, Australian Indigenous Art, Newfarm, Queensland.
- 2010 Alfonso works on paper with works by other Ngaruwanajirri artists. Kapala . Short St Gallery, Broome, WA.
- 2010 Natural ochres on Arches paper by Alfonso Puautjimi, Estelle Munkanome and Lorna Kantilla. Nomad Art, ACT
- 2010 Natural ochres on canvas and Arches paper by Alfonso, Estelle Munkanome and Lorna Kantilla. Outstation Art, Parap, N.T
- 2010 Works by Alfonso, Estelle Munkanome and Lorna Kantilla. "Christmas show" Raft Artspace, Alice Springs, N.T.
- 2010 Ngaruwanajirri artists and artists from Munupi Arts (Melville island) Natural ochres on Arches paper. "Arampini: Artists from the Tiwi islands" NAS Gallery, National Art School, Darlinghurst, Sydney.
- 2009 "Recent Works by Lorna Kantilla, Estelle Munkanome, Alfonso Puautjimi", Raft Artspace, Darwin, NT
- 2008 Carvings and paintings "Tokwampini Tiwi Bird Carvings" at Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney.
- 2008 "Recent Works by Lorna Kantilla, Estelle Munkanome, Alfonso Puautjimi", Raft Artspace, Darwin, NT
- 2008 "Nginingawula Awirankini Waki Group exhibition with Jilamara and Munupi from Melville Island at the Hilton Double Tree Darwin.

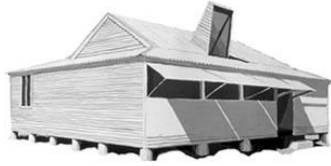


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- 2007 Ngaruwanajirri Group exhibition "Yirrinkiripwaja", FAC Gallery, University of Wollongong, N.S.W.
- 2007 3 man show with natural ochre works on canvas by Alfonso Puautjimi, Lorna Kantilla and Estelle Munkanome. Short St Gallery, Broome, W.A.
- 2007 "Works on Paper and Canvas" by Alfonso Puautjimi, Estelle Munkanome and Lorna Kantilla. Raft Artspace, Darwin, N.T.
- 2007 Natural ochres on canvas and paper. "Ngaruwanajirri Yikurri" Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney.
- 2006 3 Ngaruwanajirri artists with artists from Jilamara, Munupi and Tiwi Design. "All the Tiwi Mob" Short St Gallery, Broome, W.A.
- 2006 "Tiwi Art" Raft Artspace, Darwin, N.T.
- 2006 Ngaruwanajirri Group exhibition. Part of the festival of Darwin. Supreme Court, Darwin.
- 2006 Raft Artspace, Darwin N.T.
- 2005 "Ngaruwanajirri Artists at Raft 11" Raft Artspace, Darwin, N.T.
- 2005 "Ngaruwanajirri 2005", works on paper. Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney, N.S.W.
- 2004 "Yirrajirrima", Raft Artspace, Darwin, N.T.
- 2004 "The Batchelor Collection 1994-2004." Darwin Supreme Court Foyer, Darwin.
- 2003 "Ngaruwanajirri Yirrara" Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney.
- 2002 Ngaruwanajirri Group Exhibition Tayikuwapi, Coomalie Culture Centre, Batchelor, NT
- 2002 "Ngaruwanajirri —Paintings by Tiwi Artists", Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney, N.S.W.

Publications

- 2014 Nguruntakura Wangki – Amy's Story Annette Puruta Kogolo and Marminjiya Joy Nuggett with Sandy Toussaint UniPrint, The University of Western Australia
- 2004 National Gallery of Victoria Colour Power: Aboriginal art post 1984
- 2003 Exhibition Catalogue: Cullity Gallery UWA Perth/ Mangkaja Arts Resource Agency Martuwarra and Jila [River and Desert
- 2002 Exhibition Catalogue Adelaide Biennial of Australian Art Marrawarra and Jila entry / Ngurrara Canvas 1 entry
- 2001 Kaltja Now National Aboriginal Cultural Institute – Tandanya Painting Up Big, The Ngurrara Canvas
- 2000 IATSIS Canberra Karrayili: The History of Karrayili Adult Education Centre 1996 Karrayili Adult Education Centre and Mangkaja Arts exhibition catalogue Minyarti Wangki NgaJukura Ngurrarajangka [This is the word from my country]
- 1995 Mangkaja Arts Resource Agency Mangkaja: Old Mangkaja, New Prints
- 1994 Exhibition catalogue Ngajakurra Ngurrara Minyarti [This Is My Country]



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Collections

Art Collection at the Batchelor Institute, Batchelor, N.T.

Charles Darwin University Art Collection, Casuarina, Darwin, NT.

Lam Collection, University of San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas, USA.

University of Newcastle Art Collection, Newcastle, NSW.