



Short St. Gallery



Teresa Baker

Born 1977
Language Group Pitjantjatjarra
Region APY Lands

Biography

Teresa Baker was born in 1977 in Alice Springs hospital. Her mother Kay Baker is a Pitjantjatjara woman from Kanpi and her father a Pitjantjatjara man from Yalata. Teresa spent much of her youth with her grandfather Jimmy Baker, learning about the country and the sacred stories associated with it. Today she works full-time at Murputja school and is passing on the knowledge she learned to the next generation.

She continues her teacher training with annual courses and cares for 5 children, still finding time to paint in school holidays and evenings. While Teresa's paintings have qualities reminiscent of her late grandfather Jimmy Baker (her teacher and mentor), she has found her own individual way of mark-making and using iconography. Like her grandfather, she utilises the power of negative space, which paired with her own self-taught understanding of nuance in the use of colour, create dramatic effects in her paintings.

Solo Exhibitions

2017 Minyma Malilunya Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne
2015 Minyma Malilunya, Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne, VIC

Group Exhibitions

2023 Wiru Tjukurpa - Beautiful Law Story, Short St Gallery, Broome WA
2019 Resonance, Aboriginal Signature Gallery, Brussels, Belgium.



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- 2019 Tjungu Palya - New artworks from Tjungu Palya, Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney
- 2018 Nyuntuni - An exhibition of paintings from the artists of Tjungu Palya, Vivien Anderson Gallery, St.Kilda, Australia
- 2018 Tjungungku Tjukurpa Kunpu Rawangku Kanyinytjaku: Together We Are Protecting Our Stories, Aborigina land Pacific Art, Sydney
- 2017 Territoire Du Reve, The Pierre Arnaud Foundation, Switzerland
- 2017 Wynne Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, NSW
- 2017 Walkatjunanyi Inmaku - Redot Fine Art - Singapore
- 2017 Bruxelles, Belgium - Group exhibition Empreintes Eternelles at the Aboriginal Signature Estrangingallery
- 2016 Good Together, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
- 2016 Bruxelles, Belgium Group exhibition Gems from the desert at the Aboriginal Signature Estrangingallery
- 2016 Painting More Painting, Australian Centre for Contemporary Art, Melbourne.
- 2016 National Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander Awards MAGNT, NT
- 2014 The Womens Show, Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
- 2013 Tjungu Palya - The Next Generation online exhibition, Outstation Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2013 APY Lands Survey Exhibition, Outstation Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2013 New Paintings Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
- 2013 Minymaku Ara - Womens Way, Viven Anderson Gallery, Melbourne, VIC 2013
- Tjintu Kutjupa Tjintu Kutupa - Desert Days, Reddot Gallery, Singapore
- 2013 Shalom Gamarada Art fair Woollahra, Sydney, NSW
- 2012 Australian Contemporary Art II - Vivien Anderson Gallery in association with Chiaroscuro Gallery, SanteFe, New Mexico
- 2012 Tjungu Kutju-tu - Together as One - Aboriginal and Pacific Arts, Sydney, NSW
- 2012 'Tjungu Palya Tjukurpa' – Chapman Gallery, Canberra ACT
- 2012 Tjungu Kutju-tu: Together as One, Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney, NSW
- 2012 Ara Irititja Ara Kuwaritja - Old Stories Going Forward, Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne
- 2012 Desert Mob 2012, Araluen Cultural Precinct, Alice Springs, NT
- 2012 Tjungu Palya 2012, Outstation Gallery, Darwin
- 2012 'Kanpi Car Show', McCulloch & McCulloch @ Salt Contemporary, Queenscliff, Victoria
- 2011 Watarru Tjukurpa - Outstation Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2011 Minymaku Tjukurpa Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
- 2011 Tjungu Palya Minymaku Tjukurpa Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne, VIC



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2011	Shalom Gamarada Art fair Woollahra, Sydney, New South Wales
2011	Wati Kalaya: Celebrating the work and life of Jimmy Baker Raft Artspace, Alice Springs, NT
2011	'Tjungu Palya 2011', Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
2011	'Tjungu Palya- Masterpieces' Chapman Gallery, Canberra ACT
2009	'Alwara-wara Side by side' Outstation Gallery, Darwin, NT
2009	Wanampiku Munu Kalayaku Ngura' Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
2008	'Tjukurpa kunpa' Marshall Arts, Adelaide, SA
2008	Tjungu Palyaku Warka Nyuwana' Redot Gallery, Singapore
2007	Uwankara Ngura Palya' Randell Lane Fine Art, Perth WA
2007	'Celebration' Chapman Gallery, Canberra ACT
2007	'Desert Mob' Araluen Gallery, Alice Springs NT

Collections

ArtBank, Australian Government National Contemporary Art Rental
Levi and Kaplan Collection, Seattle, USA
Thomas Vroom Collection, Netherlands
University of QLD Art Museum, St Lucia, QLD
W & V McGeoch, Melbourne, VIC
Monash University, Melbourne, VIC

Awards

2017	Finalist, Wynne Prize
2013	Finalist Kate Challis RAKA Award
2013	Finalist 30th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award