



Short St. Gallery



Dorcas Tinnimai Bennett

Born 1956
Language Group Ngaanyatjarra
Region NG Lands

Dorcas Bennett is the daughter of Nyurupayia Nampitjinpa (Mrs Bennett) a senior artist.

Dorcas was born at Wurturu rockhole near Kaltukatjarra (Docker River). After her birth her mother and father walked with her to Warburton Mission where she was given her English name by the missionary Will Wade. Her parents returned, walking with Dorcas to the Warakurna - Tjukurla area. Soon after her family came into contact with Bob McAuley and travelled with him in the renowned yellow Native Patrol Officer's truck to the Amata settlement. From here Dorcas' family walked to Areyonga where Dorcas began to attend school. After some time her family walked back to Amata and then returned to the mission in Warburton where they were reunited with many family members. Dorcas completed her schooling at the Docker River settlement. The Bennett family along with the Porter, Yates, Reid, Shepherd, Golding, Cooke, Mitchell, Butler, Burke, Newberry, Giles, Richards, Bates, Robinson, Prior and Ward families returned to the Warakurna homeland when it was established in the mid 1970s. Dorcas was married and continues to live in Warakurna with her extended family.

Solo Exhibitions

2024 Dorcas – Solo Show, Mother's Story, Blockproject

Group Exhibitions

2023 Really One Story – Art from the Ngaanyatjarra Lands



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2021	Desert Mob 2021
2020	Rawa Titungarala
2019	Contemporary Desert Art, Frewen Arts
2019	Revealed Emerging Showcase Exhibition
2016	2016 Desert Mob Exhibition, Early Days Collaboration
2012	Warakurna: All the Stories Got into our Minds and Eyes. Focus Gallery, National Museum of Australia. Canberra
2011	History Paintings - All the stories got into our minds and eyes. Outstation Art from Art Centres. Darwin. NT
2011	"Warakurna Artists", Galerie Kungka and IDAIA, Maison des Arts Plastiques Rhône-Alpes, Lyon, France; Maison des Arts Contemporains, Pérouges, France
2006	Rawa-latju Nintirringkulatjaku, Knowing is the Future, Warakurna Artists Group Exhibition, Alcaston Gallery, Melbourne

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