



# Short St. Gallery



## Maringka Baker

**Born** 1952  
**Language Group** Pitjantjatjara  
**Region** Kanpi, SA (APY Lands)

### Biography

Maringka is a senior Pitjantjatjara woman living in the remote community settlement of Kanpi, 100kms east of the tri-state borders of WA, SA, and the NT. Maringka was born c1952. at Kaliumpil rock hole, a traditional camp site in Western Australia. Maringka's parents died when she was young and she was raised by Anmanari Brown and other members of her extended family. She went to the mission schools of Warburton in WA and Ernabella in SA. Maringka married a man from Papulankatja and they had two children. Their younger daughter passed away in childhood. Elaine Woods the elder daughter married a Docker River man and they had four daughters, Julie Woods, Janice Woods, Venita Woods and Casseyanne Woods Maringka has three great grandchildren. Maringka remarried Douglas Baker (Jimmy Baker's cousin) later in life and settled in Kanpi community, Douglas's country.

Maringka has a deep connection to country and a spiritual connection with the land. These powerful links to the desert are expressed with beauty and integrity in her paintings and her work is highly sought after. Maringka was selected as one of thirty one artists from every state and territory in Australia to participate in the 'National Indigenous Art Triennial 07 - Culture Warriors'. Maringka continues to paint powerful and alluring prize-winning paintings through which she has gained notoriety nationally and internationally.

### Group Exhibitions

2023 Wiru Tjukurpa - Beautiful Law Story, Short St Gallery, Broome WA  
2020 Tjurkupa Mulapa – This is a true story : Short St Gallery, Broome  
2019 Tjukurpa Kunpu Palya: Strong Stories, Aboriginal and Pacific Art Gallery, Waterloo, NSW  
2018 Tjungu Palyangku Tjukurpa titutjara kunpu ngaranytja-ku: As we come together we stand strong for our story, Artbank Melbourne



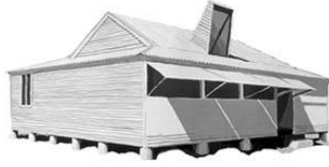
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- 2019 The Womens Show, Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne
- 2018 Spirituality in Contemporary Art, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art in Kansas City, Missouri, USA
- 2018 Tjungungku Tjukurpa Kunpu Rawangu Kanyinytjaku: Together We Are Protecting Our Stories, Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney
- 2018 The Wynne Prize, Art Gallery Of New South Wales, Sydney
- 2017 Territoire Du Reve, The Pierre Arnaud Foundation, Switzerland
- 2017 Minyma Mayatja Kananya-Kananypa - Raft Artspace
- 2017 Walkatjunanyi Inmaku (Painting Songs) Bruxelles, Belgium - Group Exhibition Empreintes Eternelles at the Aboriginal Signature Estrangin gallery
- 2016 Nganampa Kililpil: Our Stars, Sydney, NSW
- 2016 Paris, France - Group exhibition Tradition & Innovation, The Aboriginal Signature Estrangin gallery at the Parcours des Mondes art fair
- 2015 Bruxelles, Belgium - Group exhibition Racines the Aboriginal Signature Estrangin gallery at the BRUNEAF international Art Fair
- 2015 Knokke, Belgium - Group exhibition Résonance millénaire, The Aboriginal Signature Estrangin gallery at the Nocturnes Knokke art fair
- 2015 Bruxelles, Belgium - Group exhibition Payages Paysages Incarnés at the Aboriginal Signature Estrangin gallery
- 2014 Salon Des Refuse, Darwin, NT
- 2014 Tjungu Palya, Tunbridge, Subiaco, WA.
- 2014 Desert and Coast: Contemporary paintings from South Australian art centres, Marshall Arts, Adelaide Airport, SA
- 2014 Tjukutjuku walka walka walka walka walka pulka tjurkurpa, Outstation, Darwin, NT
- 2013 APY Lands Survey Exhibition, Outstation Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2013 New Paintings Chapman Gallery, Canberra.
- 2013 Tjukurpa Wangka: Storytellers. Short St Gallery, Broome, WA.
- 2013 Minymaku Ara - Womens Way, Viven Anderson Gallery, Melbourne, Victoria.
- 2013 Tjintu Kutjupa Tjintu Kutupa - Desert Days", Reddot Gallery, Singapore.
- 2012 Tjungu Kutju-tu: Together as One, Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney.
- 2012 'Tjungu Palya Tjukurpa' – Chapman Gallery, Canberra ACT.
- 2012 Desert Mob 2012 Aralven Cultural Precinct, Alice Springs.
- 2012 Tjungu Palya 2012, Outstation Gallery, Darwin.
- 2011 Western APY Lands ArtKelch, Freiburg, Germany
- 2011 Green Outstation Gallery, Darwin, Northern Territory.
- 2011 Tjungu Palya - Masterpieces Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
- 2011 Intangibles in Terra Australis Flinders University City Gallery, State Library of SA, Adelaide, South Australia.
- 2011 Ngura Tjukuritja - A Dreaming Place Marshall Arts, Adelaide, South Australia



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- 2011 Living Water National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia  
2011 Tjungu Palya Minymaku Tjukurpa Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne,  
Victoria 2011 Tjukurpa Manta Raft Artspace, Alice Springs, NT  
2011 Tjungu Palya 2011 Short St Gallery, Broome, Western Australia  
2011 Tjungu Palya Tjukurpa Aboriginal and Pacific Arts. Sydney, New South  
Wales  
2010 Etched in the Sun - Prints by Indigenous Australians with Basil Hall  
Editions, Kluge-Ruhe Aboriginal Art, University of Virginia,  
Charlottesville, USA .  
2010 Intangibles in Terra Australis Sala kubo-kutxa in association with  
Marshall Arts, San Sebastian, Spain  
2010 Partnerships Marshall Arts, Adelaide, South Australia  
2010 Desert Country South Australian Art Gallery, Adelaide, SA  
2010 Tjukurpa Pulkatjara: The Power of the Law South Australian Museum,  
Adelaide, South Australia  
2010 Australian Contemporary Indigenous Art - Now Chiaroscuro Gallery,  
Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA in conjunction with Vivien Anderson  
Gallery, Melbourne, Victoria.  
2010 Ngaranyi Kunpu - Standing Strong Aboriginal and Pacific Arts, Sydney,  
New South Wales.  
2010 Tjukurpa Outstation Gallery, Darwin, Northern Territory.  
2010 Melbourne Art Fair Aboriginal & Pacific Arts, Melbourne, Victoria  
2010 Tjungu Palya Survey Show Short St Gallery, Broome, Western  
Australia  
2009 26th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award  
Museum and art Gallery of the Northern Territory, Darwin, Northern  
Territory.  
2009 Tjukurpa Wirunya Kanyini Aboriginal and Pacific Arts, Sydney, New  
South Wales.  
2009 Wanampiku Munu Kalayaku Ngura Chapman Gallery, Canberra,  
Australian Capital Territory.  
2009 Kulini Ngura - Knowing Country Short St Gallery, Broome, Western  
Australia  
2009 Etched in the Sun with Basil Hall Editions and Rebecca Hossack  
Gallery, London, England.  
2009 Masterstroke Randell Lane Fine Art, Perth, Western Australia  
2009 Anangu Backyard Adelaide Festival Centre, Adelaide, South Australia  
2009 Tali Tjintiri - Tjintiri Munu Kapi Tjukula Tjungu Palya Print show. Nomad  
Gallery, Reflection Room, Holiday Inn, Darwin, Northern Territory.  
2009 DesertMob Araluen Gallery, Alice Springs, Northern Territory 2008  
Tjukurpa Kunpu Marshall Arts, Adelaide, South Australia  
2008 Manta Nyangatja Pitjantjatjara Short St Gallery, Broome, WA  
2008 Tjukurpa Kutjupa Kutjupa Tjuta, Aboriginal and Pacific Arts, Sydney,  
NSW

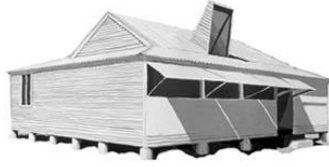


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- 2008 Womens Show Vivien Anderson Gallery, Melbourne, Victoria  
2008 Tjungu Palyaku Warka Nyuwana Redot Gallery, Singapore  
2008 Iwara Mantangka - Land Lines Randell Lane Fine Art, Perth, Western  
Australia 2007 Celebration Chapman gallery, Canberra, ACT  
2007 Skin to Skin Tuggeranong Arts Centre, Canberra, ACT  
2007 Walytja Marshall Arts, Adelaide, South Australia  
2007 Desert Masterclass South Australian Museum (Marshall Arts),  
Adelaide, South Australia  
2007 Culture Warriors National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, ACT  
2007 Uwankara Ngura Palya Randall Lane Fine Art, Perth, Western  
Australia  
2006 Nganampa Tjukurpa Nganampa Ngura Marshall Arts, Adelaide, South  
Australia  
2006 Our Mob Adelaide Festival Centre, Adelaide, South Australia  
2006 Minyma Kutjara Kutjara Vivian Anderson Gallery, Melbourne, Victoria  
2006 Tjukurpa Mantatja Randall Lane Fine Art, Perth, Western Australia  
2006 Anangu Backyard Adelaide Festival Centre, Adelaide, South Australia  
2006 Desert Mob Araluen Gallery, Alice Springs, Northern Territory  
2005 New work from the APY Lands South Australian Museum, Adelaide,  
South Australia  
2005 Art from the APY Lands Marshall Arts, Adelaide, South Australia

## Collections

ARALUEN COLLECTION, ALICE SPRINGS, NORTHERN TERRITORY  
ARTBANK, AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT NATIONAL CONTEMPORARY ART  
RENTAL  
AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, CANBERRA, AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL  
TERRITORY.  
DEAKIN UNIVERSITY, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA.  
FLINDERS UNIVERSITY, ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.  
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HASSALL COLLECTION, SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES.  
LAGERBERG-SWIFT COLLECTION, PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.  
LEVI AND KAPLAN COLLECTION, SEATTLE, USA  
MARSHALL COLLECTION, ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.  
NATIONAL GALLERY OF AUSTRALIA, CANBERRA, AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL  
TERRITORY.  
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ART GALLERY, ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.  
THE BEAT KNOBLACUCH COLLECTION, SWITZERLAND.  
THE CORRIGAN COLLECTION, SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES.  
THE LEPLEY COLLECTION, PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.



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THE PARLIAMENT HOUSE COLLECTION, CANBERRA, AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY.

UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA, AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

W & V MCGEOCH, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

ART GALLERY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA, ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

THE AUTHUR ROE COLLECTION, MELBOURNE, VIC

THE PETER & AGNES COOKE COLLECTION, BRISBANE, QLD

ALISON AND PETER W. KLEIN COLLECTION, LUDWIGSBURG, BADEN-WURTTENBERG, GERMANY

## Awards

2018 Finalist The Wynne Prize

2018 Winner - Athenaeum Club 150 year Members Choice Award

Finalist 28th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award

Finalist 26th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award

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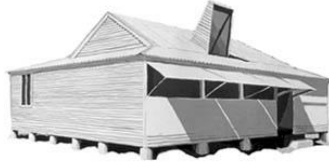
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