



Short St. Gallery

Josephine Napurrula

Born 1951
Language Pintupi
Region Western/Central Desert



Biography

Josephine was born in the bush, near to Tjukurla. She is the daughter of Kulata (Kuliti) Tjakamarra, who was from Payarrnganya and Kuruyultu, near Tjukurla, and his wife Mayaru, who was from Walunguru (Kintore).

Josephine began painting with the other Napurrulas in the painting camps at Haasts Bluff run by the Papunya Tula company in the late 1990s. This was the first generation of female artists to paint in the Western Desert.

Her works are containers of power, imbued with strong cultural knowledge.

Solo Exhibitions

2001 Josephine Napurrula: A New Talent, Utopia Art, Sydney, NSW

Group Exhibitions

2007 Turning 20, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.
2007 Pintupi- Mixed Exhibition, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, Australia.
2007 Rising Stars, Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.
2007 Aboriginal Art 2007, Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.
2007 Big Paintings, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.
2007 Papunya Tula, Short Street Gallery, Broome, Western Australia, Australia.
2006 Yawulyurru kapalilu palyara nintilpayi, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
2006 Paintings By Papunya Tula Artists, Suzanne O'Connell Gallery, Brisbane, QLD
2006 A Particular Collection, Utopia Art, Sydney, NSW



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2006	Pintupi Art 2006, Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
2006	Melbourne Art Fair, Melbourne, Vic
2006	PTA, Utopia Art, Sydney, NSW
2005	Strong and Stately, Red Dot Gallery, Singapore
2005	Rising Stars, Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, Vic
2005	Papunya Tula: The Next Generation, Walkabout Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2005	New Ideas, Utopia Art, Sydney, NSW
2004	Pintupi Artists, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
2004	Rising Stars, Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, Vic
2004	All About Papunya, Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
2003	Christmas Gift Exhibition, Alcaston Gallery, Melbourne, Vic
2002	The Redlands Westpac Art Prize, Mosman Art Gallery, NSW
2001	Pintupi Women From Kintore, Fireworks Gallery, Brisbane, QLD
2000	Raintree Art Gallery, Darwin, NT
1996	Utopia Art, Sydney, NSW
1996	Papunya Tula Artists Pty. Ltd., Alice Springs, NT

Collections

Art Gallery of New South Wales
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