

Sharon Adamson

Born1996Language GroupPitjantjatjaraRegionAPY Lands



Biography

Sharon Adamson is a young and emerging artist with a remarkable depth of talent across varied mediums. Her painting works are bold and vibrant, marked by fearless brush strokes and invigorating palettes. Sharon paints the Wanampi Tjukurpa, referencing the work of her great grandfather, Tiger Palpatja, and also paints with her grandmother, Wawiriya Burton. Sharon paints her grandfather, Tiger Palpatja's way and tells the story of the water snake dreaming. The wanampi ancestors are important to Anangu as they bring rain and fill the waterholes. Today they both live in the Mutitjulu water hole at Uluru. Her distinguished lineage perhaps accounts for her remarkable talent and achievements. At only 23, Sharon has already exhibited at Short Street Gallery, Broome (2014) at OutStation's 2015 Rising Stars exhibition and RAFT Artspace in Alice Springs. Sharon paintings feature in many private collections and also part of the Artbank Collection.

Sharon is also a keen photographer, and continues to hone her craft as a key member of the Tjala Arts Young Women's Photography Crew. Sharon's photographs were exhibited in the Desart Art Worker Photography Prize (2013, 2014) and are featured in the Tjala Arts Book Nganampa kampatjangka unngu - Beneath the canvas. Sharon also works at Tjala Arts as an arts worker where she is fast gaining operational and administrative skills across a broad range of areas.

Solo Exhibitions

2020 Chalk Horse Gallery, Sydney - Sharon Adamson

Group Exhibitions



Short St. Gallery

- Spirits, Snakes and Honey Ants, Short St Gallery, Broome WA 2023 2021 Amata Walka Wiru: Beautiful Paintings from Amata – Short Street Gallery, Broome. 2020 APY Gallery, Sydney - UWANKARA - All of Us 2020 Araluen Cultural Precinct - Desert Mob 2020 2019 Kluge Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection, Virginia - The Country I Know Araluen Cultural Centre, Alice Springs - Desert Mob 2019 2019 Short Street Gallery - Collaboration - New works by Tjala Arts APY Gallery, Sydney - NGANAMPA MARA NGURU - From our hands 2019 APY Gallery, Adelaide - UWANKARA TJUNGU / ALL IN 2019 APY Gallery, Sydney - ANNIVERSARY PUKULPA. KATU 2019 PARPAKANI! Happy Anniversary. Flying high! APY Gallery, Sydney - Piltatinya Nyura Pulka - Piltati More Than Place 2018 APY Gallery, Sydney - Malatja Tjutangku Ara Irititja Kunpungku Kanyini 2018 - Old Knowledge, Young Blood Tandanya, Adelaide - TARNANTHI Festival - APY Art Centre Collective 2017 and the Purple House Renal Auction Form Gallery, Perth - Painting Power | Ritual, Art & Land 2017 2015 Paul Johnstone Gallery in association with Darwin Festival - Salon des Refues 2015 RAFT Artspace, Alice Springs – Painters OutStation Gallery, Darwin - Rising Stars 2015 2015 Short Street Gallery Broome - In memory of Kunmanara Williamson: 2014 These are the stories we teach our children Desart, Alice Springs - Desart Artworker Photography Prize 2014 2014 Desart, Alice Springs - Desart Artworker Photography Prize 2013 2013
- 2008 Adelaide Festival Centre Our Mob Adelaide Festival

Collections

ARTBANK, 2017 Macquarie Group Collection, 2018 The Kerry Stokes Collection

Commissions

2013 Desart Festival – Motor Car Project, Alice Springs