



Short St. Gallery



Tjimpayi Presley

Born 1967
Language Group Pitjantjatjara
Region APY Lands

Tjimpayi Presley is the daughter of Kunmanara Tjampawa Katie Kawiny who was an Elder and Senior artist at Tjala Arts. Like her mother, Tjimpayi paints the kapi tjukurla (rock holes) that relate to the Kungkarangkalpa tjukurpa (the Seven Sisters story). This story involves the Seven Sisters being chased across country by a bad man (Wati Nyiru). The wise elder sisters protect and teach the younger ones, keeping them from falling for his tricks. Wati Nyiru can change shape into different rock formations and landmarks. These sites remain part of the landscape and are important Anangu ceremonial places.

Together with her solo practice, Tjimpayi paints on collaborative canvases with Naomi Kantjurny and Kunmanara (Mona) Mitakiki. Together these ladies learned to paint under the guidance of Kunmanara Kawiny. She has passed away now but the younger women and their granddaughters keep her story alive through their practice for future generations.

Group Exhibitions

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| 2023 | Pink is Punk – Short Street Gallery, Broome |
| 2022 | Kutjungkarinyi: Come Together / Significant Works from Amata – Short Street Gallery, Broome |
| 2022 | APYACC Gallery, Sydney - Walka Wiru: Beautiful Drawing New works By Mary Pan and early career Tjala artists |
| 2021 | Olsen Gallery, Sydney - YARITJI YOUNG + MITAKIKI WOMENS COLLABORATIVE |
| 2019 | APY GALLERY, Adelaide - UWANKARA TJUNGU / ALL IN |
| 2019 | Olsen Gruin Gallery, New York - APY LANDS |
| 2019 | APY Gallery, Sydney - ANNIVERSARY PUKULPA. KATU PARPAKANI! Happy anniversary! Flying high! |
| 2018 | Olsen Gallery, Sydney - NGANAMPA NGURA KURUNJARA – THE |



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PLACE OF OUR SPIRIT

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| 2018 | Outstation Gallery - Tjala Arts 2018 |
| 2018 | Araluen Galleries, Alice Springs - Desert Mob |
| 2018 | Hahndorf Academy - Ngayuku Ngura |
| 2018 | Wynne Prize Finalist, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, NSW |
| 2016 | Short St Gallery, Broome, WA: Ngayuku ngura - My Country, |
| 2015 | Short St Gallery, Broome, WA: Kwarila Tjunguringanyi - All Together Now |
| 2014 | Short St Gallery, Broome, WA - These are the stories we teach our Children |
| 2013 | Outstation Gallery Darwin - APY Lands Survey Exhibition 2013 |
| 2013 | Outstation Gallery Darwin - Kunpu Pulka – Strong and Important |
| 2012 | Chapman Gallery, Canberra - Tjala Arts - New Paintings |
| 2011 | Raft Artspace, Alice Springs - Ngayulu witini ngayuku Mamaku Tjukurpa. Ngayulu witini ngayuku Ngunytjuku Tjukurpa; I hold my Fathers story. I hold my Mothers story |
| 2010 | Outstation Gallery, Darwin - Tjukurpa kunpu nganana kanyini pulka- Our stories, we hold strong |
| 2003 | Indigenart, Perth - PY on Paper – works on paper from Ananguku Arts and Culture Aboriginal Organisation |
| 2000 | Tandanya, Adelaide - Iritja munu kuwaitja tjukurpa; Stories from past and present |

Awards

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| 2018 | Telstra Award finalist |
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