



Short St. Gallery



Anita Pumani

Born 1982

Region Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands

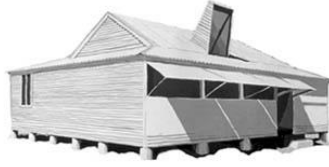
Anita was born in Indulkana on the APY Lands in the northwest of South Australia. She grew up in Mimili and attended school in Adelaide. As the oldest daughter to Teresa Mula and Ken Pumani, both senior cultural leaders in Mimili, she learnt about the importance of Tjukurpa early on. Her mother Teresa is one of Mimili Maku's senior painters, and one of seven sisters. Anita is one of four sisters, and now has three daughters on her own.

Growing up in such a strong line of women, Anita proudly shares women's stories in her paintings. She often references Antara, an important women's site close to Mimili community, and speaks about the Maku (witchetty grub) Tjukurpa. She has collaborated with her mother and her sisters on several works speaking about the Seven Sisters Story, which is deeply engrained in her family line.

Anita is a Mimili Maku Arts art centre director and represents Mimili Maku Arts as a board member for the APY Art Centre Collective. She is a strong cultural leader, passionate about finding sustainable employment and cultural learning opportunities for the next generation of Anangu in Mimili.

Group Exhibitions

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| 2024 | Women's Story – Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA |
| 2023 | Unfolding, Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA |
| 2023 | Itjanu – Flourishing, Aboriginal Signature Estrangin Gallery Brussels, Belgium |



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- 2022 Minyma Maku – Women of the Witchetty grub, Everywhen Gallery, Melbourne
- 2022 Mapakani - Momentum, APY Gallery, Melbourne
- 2022 Pakalarani – Taking Flight, Short St Gallery, Broome
- 2022 APY Group Show, Aboriginal Signature Estrangin Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
- 2021 Kuwari - the present, Aboriginal Signature Estrangin Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
- 2021 Ilykuwara, APY Gallery, Adelaide
- 2020 Tjuntungka – Tomorrow, Short St Gallery, Broome WA
- 2019 Winter Salon + Art Parade, Everywhen Artspace, Flinders
- 2019 APY at The Other Art Fair, The Cutaway Barangaroo Reserve, Sydney
- 2019 Synergy, Purple House Fundraiser, McCulloch&McCulloch, Melbourne
- 2019 ReGeneration, Everywhen Artspace, Flinders
- 2019 Bold & Beautiful, Talapi Gallery, Alice Springs
- 2019 Tjungula warkarima nganampa tjitji tjutaku, APY Gallery, Sydney
- 2019 APY at The Other Art Fair, Australian Technology Park, Sydney
- 2019 Nganampa Ngura Kunpu Kanyintaku, APY Gallery, Sydney
- 2018 Desert Mob, Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs
- 2018 Malatja Tjutanku Ara Irititja Kunpungku, APY Gallery, Sydney
- 2018 Tjungungku Palyantja: Together all is well, Short St Gallery, Broome
- 2018 Rising Stars, Outstation Gallery, Darwin
- 2017 Minyma Tjutaku Tjukurpa, Short St Gallery, Broome