

Short St. Gallery

Mignonette Jamin

Born 1932

Region Majalindy N.T. **Skin** Nungala



Biography

Mignonette was born at Muthanoongamaya - Majalindy Valley on Majalindy Creek a tributary of the Fitzmaurice River near Palumpa in the Northern Territory. She was a highly respected law woman amongst her community. As a child and young woman Mignonette walked all over the country from Bullo River to Kununurra. She lived at Legune Station and went to school at Port Keats. She came to Kununurra when she was about 10 years old. Mignonette painted her traditional Country - the rivers and billabongs, coastal areas, the hills, rocky ridges, roads and other land marks as well as sites significant to women's business which belongs to her dreaming for country at Muthanoongamaya - Majalindy Valley and empowered her as a healer. She also painted country around Kununurra and Wyndham associated with her husband's Country - the Carlton Hill Station area. Her paintings have attracted much attention with their powerfully balanced compositions, an expansive palette and an individually free expressiveness and vibrancy. Her canvases pulse with the energy of place. Intimate stories and memories of Country link these images to her extensive knowledge of Country. Sadly Mignonette Jamin passed on 19 December 2010. Her joyful presence is very much missed.

Solo Exhibitions

2007	"Mignonette Jamin" Seva Frangos Art Perth WA
2008	"Black on vvnile - vvnile on Black" Seva Frangos Art Pertin vvA

2006 Muthanoongamaya - My Country, Alcaston Gallery, Fitzroy, Melbourne VIC



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Group Exhibitions

2019	Desert River Sea: Portraits of the Kimberley, Art Gallery of Western Australia, Perth WA
2017	Our Legacy, Dawang Gallery, Waringarri Aboriginal Arts, Kununurra, WA
2017	When The Sky Fell. Legacies of the 1967 Referendum. Perth Institute of Contemporary Art, Perth WA
2015	Works of Significance, Tandanya Aboriginal Cultural Institute, TARNANTHI, Adelaide SA
2013	"Our Living Land" An Exhibition of Leading Artists from the East Kimberley, Salvo Hotel, Shanghai, China
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2012	"Sharing Difference on Common Ground" The Cannery Art Centre, Esperence
2012	"Sharing Difference on Common Ground" Bunbury Regional Art Galleries, Bunbury
2012	"Sharing Difference on Common Ground" Geraldton Regional Art Gallery, Geraldton
2011	"Sharing Difference on Common Ground" Alcoa Mandurah Art Gallery, Mandurah
2010	" Sharing Difference on Common Ground" CCAE Darwin NT
2010	"Critics Choice" Curated by Susan McCulloch Art Mob Hobart TAS
2010	"Small Presents Big Presence - 8 Artists 100 Artworks" Seva Frangos Art Perth WA

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