



# Short St. Gallery

## Nyilyari Tjapangati

**Born** c. 1965  
**Language** Pintupi  
**Region** Western / Central Desert



## Biography

Nyilyari is the second son of the well-known artist Pinta Pinta Tjapanangka and the younger brother of Matthew Tjapangati. He was born in approximately 1965. Nyilyari completed his first paintings for Papunya Tula Artists as early as 1999 but didn't begin painting regularly for the company until 2004. His paintings relate to sites around Kaakuratintja (Lake MacDonald) and west to Mt Webb and Wilkinkarra (Lake Mackay). These are all sites that were also commonly referred to in his father's paintings.

## Group exhibitions

- 2019 'Am Anfang War Das Land - In the Beginning Was the Land', Kunstwerk, Sammlung Klein, Eberdingen - Nussdorf, Germany
- 2019 'Community X', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2018 'Pintupi – Paintings from The Masters of The Western Desert', Harvey Art Projects USA, Sun Valley, Idaho, USA
- 2018 'Community IX', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2017 'Community VIII', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2016 'Aux origines de l'art', Aboriginal Signature – Estrangin Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
- 2016 'Tjukurmanu Maru & Tjulkura – Dreaming in Black & White', Paul Johnstone Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2015 'Community VII', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2015 'Papunya Tula Artists – Indigenous Paintings from Australia's Western Desert', Brumby Ute Gallery, Aspen, Colorado, USA
- 2015 'Off Course', Brussels Art Fair, Brussels, Belgium
- 2013 'Travelling Through Country', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 2013 'Painting Now – Papunya Tula Artists', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2013 '30th Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award', Darwin, NT
- 2013 'Language of The Land', Paul Johnstone Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2013 'Recent Works', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT



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- 2013 'Community V', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW  
2013 'Papunya Tula Artists – Masters of The Western Desert of Australia', Harvey Art Projects USA, Sun Valley, Idaho, USA  
2012 'Papunya Tula: Works on Paper', Art Gallery of New South Wales, NSW  
2012 'Unique Perspectives – Papunya Tula Artists and The Alice Springs Community', Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs, NT  
2012 'Community IV' – Celebrating Forty Years of Papunya Tula Artists, Utopia Art Sydney, NSW  
2012 'Forty Years of Papunya Tula Artists', Harvey Art Projects USA, Sun Valley, Idaho, USA  
2012 'Visual Rhythm', Cross Cultural Art Exchange, Darwin, NT  
2012 'Desert Mob 2012', Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs, NT  
2012 'Tjukurrpa Ngaatjanya Maru Kamu Tjulkura - Dreaming in Black and White', ReDot Gallery, Singapore  
2012 'PTA 40th Anniversary Show', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT  
2011 Art Karlsruhe 2011, Karlsruhe, Germany  
2011 'Revival in Small', Artkelch, Freiburg, Germany  
2011 '40 Years of Papunya Tula Artists', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW  
2011 'Pintupi Art 2011', A P Bond Gallery, Adelaide, SA  
2011 Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair, Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin, NT  
2011 Western Australian Indigenous Art Awards, Art Gallery of Western Australia, Perth, WA  
2011 'Desert Mob 2011', Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT  
2011 'Pintupi Trails 2011', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC  
2011 'Pintupi Men', ReDot Gallery, Singapore  
2011 'Australia in Two Colours', Artkelch Collectors Lounge, Schorndorf, Germany  
2011 'Recent Pintupi Works', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT  
2010 'Community', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW  
2010 'Tradition & Innovation - Papunya Tula 2010', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC  
2010 'Aboriginal Art 2010', Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, VIC  
2010 Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair, Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin, NT  
2010 '27th Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award', Darwin, NT  
2010 'Wilinkarralakutu - Journeys to Lake Mackay', Cross Cultural Art Exchange, Darwin, NT  
2010 The Desert Mob Art Show, Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT  
2010 'Papunya Tula Artists: Art of the Western Desert', Harvey Art Projects USA, Sun Valley, Idaho, USA  
2010 'Nyakula Kanyini Piintapalyalpayi Kamu Walytja Tjanampa Lurtju - Caring for Artists and Their Families', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT  
2010 'Ngurra Kutju Ngurrara - Belonging to One Country', ReDot Gallery, Singapore  
2010 'Recent Paintings', Chapman Gallery, ACT



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- 2009 'Nganampatju Kanpatja Winki, Nganampatju Yara Winkii – All Our Paintings, All Our Stories', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2009 'Tjukurpa Palurukutu, Kutjupawana Palyantjanya – Same Stories, A New Way', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2009 'Pro Community – Papunya Tula Artists', ArtBar71, Berlin, Germany
- 2009 'Pro Community – Papunya Tula Artists', VDMA, Frankfurt, Germany
- 2009 'Pro Community – Papunya Tula Artists', Artkelch, Freiburg, Germany
- 2009 'Nganana Tjungurringanyi Tjukurpa Nintintjakitja - We Are Here Sharing Our Dreaming', 80 Washington Square East Galleries, New York, USA
- 2009 'Pintupi 2009', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 2009 'Papunya 2009, Senior Pintupi Artists', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 2009 Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair, The Chan Building, Bennett Park Darwin, NT
- 2009 '26th Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award,' Darwin, NT
- 2009 'Painting the Country', Cross Cultural Art Exchange, Darwin, NT
- 2009 TogArt Contemporary Art Award, Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin, NT
- 2009 'Desert Mob 2009', Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT
- 2009 'Pro Community - Papunya Tula Artists', Kunstwerk, Ebergingen-Nussdorf, Germany
- 2008 'Pintupi Art 2008', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 2008 'Kintore to Kivirkura - Papunya Tula Artists', Red Dot Gallery, Singapore.
- 2008 'Marrkangku Yara Palyantjaku Ngurrangka - Making Strong Paintings at Home', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2007 'Survey-Group show of emerging artists', Raft Artspace, Darwin, NT
- 2007 'Recent Paintings 2007', Cross Cultural Art Exchange, Darwin, NT
- 2007 'Rising Stars', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 2007 The Desert Mob Art Show, Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT
- 2007 'Pintupi - Mixed Exhibition', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2006 'Across The Board', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2006 'Papunya Tula Artists 2006', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 2006 'Right Here, Right Now: Recent Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Acquisitions', National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, ACT
- 2006 'PTA', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2006 'Pintupi', Hamiltons Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- 2006 Papunya Tula Artists - Recent Paintings', Harriet Place, Darwin, NT
- 2006 'Rising Stars', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 2006 'A Particular Collection', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2006 'Yawulyuru kapalilu palyara nintilpayi', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2005 'Papunya Tula Artists', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 2005 'Rising Stars', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 2005 The Desert Mob Art Show, Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT
- 2005 'Pintupi Art 2005', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 2005 'New Work for A New Space', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW



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| 2005 | Pintupi Artists', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT  |
| 2005 | 'New Works from The Western Desert', Indigenart, Perth, WA |
| 2004 | 'Pintupi Artists', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT |

## Collections

Araluen Art Centre. National Gallery of Australia  
National Gallery of Australia  
Art Gallery of New South Wales  
National Gallery of Victoria  
Art Gallery of South Australia  
Harvard Art Museum, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA  
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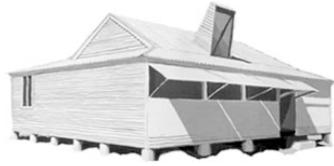
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