

### Short St. Gallery

### Rhonda Napanangka

**Birth Year** c.1964

Language GroupLuritja / AnmatyerrRegionCentral Australia



### **Biography**

Rhonda was born at Papunya. Her mother's country is Karrinyarra and Ngalwerrty [Central Mt Wedge] side and her father's country is Broken Windmill, west of Central Mt Wedge. Rhonda's father's name was Charlie Japangardi of the Yantarrju clan of Central Mt Wedge, while her mother is Elizabeth Nampitjinpa of the Karrinyarra clan. Elizabeth paints with Tangentyere Artists also. Rhonda has painted for a long time and lives in Alice Springs with her two daughters and three sons. Her daughter Nerine also paints with Tangentyere Artists. Rhonda has been painting since she was a young girl, as she learned from her mother's brother, Clifford Possum Japaljarri at M'Bunghurra, Narwietooma and other family Outstations. Rhonda's favourite story is her mother's brother's story at Central Mount Wedge. This is a private story, but relates to Kapi [Water] Tjukurrpa. Rhonda's style is incredibly neat in her application and the colours she chooses create elegant works filled with rhythm and repetition that delight her audience.

### **Group Exhibitions**

| 2019 | Merricks House Art Gallery, Merricks Vic Looking for Pmara (home),             |
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|      | Tangentyere & Yarrenyty Arltere                                                |
| 2019 | Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs NT Arrentye Mamu - Monster          |
|      | Monster, New Works by Tangentyere Artists and Yarrenyty Arltere Artists        |
| 2018 | Hidden Valley, Yarrenyty Arltere, and Tangentyere Artists, Tangentyere Artists |
|      | Gallery, Alice Springs NT Tangentyere Artists Christmas Show                   |
| 2018 | Araluen Cultural Precinct, Alice Springs Desert Mob                            |
| 2018 | Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs NT Tjina Mob                        |
| 2018 | Satellite Exhibition curated by Terazita Turner-Young, Tangentyere Artists     |
|      | Gallery, Alice Springs NT A Dream of Home                                      |
| 2017 | Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs NT Tangentyere Artists Christmas    |
|      | Exhibition                                                                     |
| 2017 | Double Tree Hilton, Alice Springs Ministers Exhibition, NESA Conference        |
| 2017 | Tandanya Cultural Centre Adelaide SA Tarnanthi Festival Art Fair               |
| 2017 | Araluen Cultural Precinct Alice Springs NT Desert Mob                          |
| 2017 | Darwin Convention Centre Darwin NT Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair                  |
| 2017 | Merricks General Wine Store Together Our Stories Are Stronger                  |
| 2017 | Group Exhibition, Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs Always Was        |



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| 2016 | Group Show, Tangentyere Artists Alice Springs Our Selves, Our Stories - Town Camp Artists |
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| 2016 | Group Show, Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs NT Our Selves, Our                 |
|      | Stories - Town Camp Artist                                                                |
| 2016 | Araluen Cultural Precinct, Alice Springs, NT Desert Mob                                   |
| 2016 | Convention Centre, Darwin, NT Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair                                  |
| 2016 | Group Exhibition with Ewyenper Atwatye Artists, Hermannsburg Potters and                  |
|      | Yarrenyty Arltere Artists at Tangentyere Artists Gallery Arrweketye Mob                   |
| 2016 | Tangentyere Artists Gallery Alice Springs NT Many Women, Many Stories,                    |
|      | Many Ways                                                                                 |
| 2016 | Tangentyere Artists Gallery Alice Springs NT Recent Works                                 |
| 2015 | Tandanya Cultural Centre, Adelaide, SA Tamanthi Festival of Contemporary                  |
|      | Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art                                                 |
| 2015 | Art Gallery South Australia, Adelaide, SA Making Place, Tarnanthi Festival of             |
|      | Contemporary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art                                    |
| 2015 | Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs, NT SELFIES 2 I Town Campers                   |
| 2015 | Araluen Cultural Precinct Alice Springs NT Desert Mob - 25 Year                           |
|      | Commemorative Exhibition                                                                  |
| 2015 | Convention Centre, Darwin NT Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair                                   |
| 2015 | Art Images Gallery, Norwood, SA Desert Dreaming featuring Artworks from 6                 |
|      | Art Centres from Central Australia                                                        |
| 2014 | Aboriginal and Pacific Art Gallery Sydney NSW Figuratively Speaking: Town                 |
|      | Camp artists tell their stories                                                           |
| 2014 | Bright Gallery Bright VIC Time and Place 2:                                               |
| 2014 | Tangentyere Artists Gallery Alice Springs NT Selfies: Representation of Self by           |
|      | Town Camp Artists                                                                         |
| 2014 | Araluen Cultural Precinct Alice Springs NT Desert Mob 2014                                |
| 2014 | Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin, NT 8th Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair                       |
| 2014 | Tangentyere Artists Group Show New Works: Salon Show                                      |
| 2013 | Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs NT New Work by Tangentyere Artists             |
| 2013 | Alice Springs Telegraph Station & Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs NT           |
|      | Family Trees - Mbantua Festival Exhibition, Curated by Hetti Perkins – Desart Art         |
|      | Centres                                                                                   |
| 2013 | Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs NT Tangentyere Artists - Open Day of           |
|      | New Art Centre                                                                            |
| 2013 | Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob Exhibition                   |
| 2013 | Central Craft, Alice Springs NT Tangentyere Artists                                       |
| 2013 | Raft Art Space, Alice Springs NT Our Way, Their Way - Group Show with                     |
| 0045 | Yarrenyty Arltere Artists                                                                 |
| 2012 | Supreme Court Foyer, Darwin NT 2012 Rights on Show Award – Darwin                         |
| 0046 | Community Legal Service Annual Human Rights Art Awards                                    |
| 2012 | Convention Centre, Darwin NT Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair                                   |



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| 2012 | Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Alice Springs Beanie Festival |
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| 2012 | Human Rights Film Festival, Olive Pink Botanic Gardens, Alice Springs NT        |
|      | Tangentyere Artists Exhibition                                                  |
| 2012 | Inaugural Art Centre Open Day, Araluen Desert Mob Tangentyere Artists Open      |
|      | Day                                                                             |
| 2012 | HUB Space, Alice Springs NT Alice Desert Festival                               |
| 2012 | Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob Exhibition         |
| 2011 | Festival Park, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin NT The Lighthouse Murals - Darwin      |
|      | Festival                                                                        |
| 2011 | Olive Pink Botanical Gardens, Alice Springs NT Human Rights Film Festival       |
| 2011 | Exhibition Buildings, Melbourne VIC Melbourne Affordable Art Fair               |
| 2011 | Japingka Indigenous Fine Art Gallery, Fremantle WA Our Homes: Town Camp         |
|      | & Beyond                                                                        |
| 2011 | Convention Centre, Darwin NT Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair                         |
| 2011 | Kate Owen Gallery, Sydney NSW Tangentyere Artists                               |
| 2010 | Mossenson Galleries, Melbourne, VIC Tjintu Kutjupa - Everyday Life              |
| 2010 | Peta Appleyard Gallery, Alice Springs NT Coming Together                        |

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#### Awards

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