



Short St. Gallery

Betty Bundamurra

Birth Year	1960
Language Group	Worrora, Ngarinyin, Wunaambul
Region	Kalumburu, WA

Biography

Betty Bundamurra was born at Karunji station where her father was a stockman. She was born in the bush while her parents were on a walkabout. At the age of three, after the death of her mother, Betty came to Kalumburu Mission Convent where she was looked after by Ignatia Ganwalla and the nuns. She worked in the mission baking bread and at the Kalumburu school as a teaching aid. Betty has five children and eleven grand-children, and has lived happily with her family in Kalumburu. Betty is a prolific artist and has also held the position as senior arts worker at Kira Kiro Artists centre, Kalumburu, from 2012 to 2019. Along with other Kalumburu community elder, she established the Kira Kiro Artists centre in 2009. Betty is a prolific artist with a unique visual expression, a storyteller and a poet. She has also held the position of senior arts worker at Kira Kiro Artists from 2012 to 2019. She is a graduate of the ANKA Arts-worker Extension Program and the Art Gallery of Western Australia's Desert River Sea Visual Arts Leadership program.

Exhibitions

2021 Berrdalngtha Woorlang – Strong Stories, Mossenson Galleries, Subiaco WA
2020 Wandjina the Rain Maker, Barval Wines, Margaret River, WA
2020 The Jury Prize, Courthouse Gallery, Port Hedland, WA
2019 In Ochre, Aritja Fine Art, Fremantle, WA
2020 Connected to our Land, Cross Art Projects, Kings Cross, Sydney NSW
2019 Desert River Sea: Portraits of the Kimberley, Art Gallery of Western Australia, Perth WA
2019 Water Talk, Mossenson Galleries, Subiaco Perth WA
2018 Connection to Country, Environmental Defender's Office of Western Australia, West Perth WA
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2017 Hedland Art Award, Courthouse Gallery, Port Hedland WA
2017 Kimberley Art Award, Shire of Derby, Derby WA
2016 Visual Arts Leadership Program Exhibition, Waringarri Aboriginal Arts, Kununurra WA
2015 Kalumburu Artists, Mossenson Galleries, Perth WA
2015 Sydney Contemporary, Carriageworks, Sydney NSW
2014 Melbourne Art Fair, Mossenson Galleries, Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne VIC



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2014 Finalist 31st NATSIAA's

2013 Traversing Borders, University of Technology Art Museum, Brisbane, QLD

2013 "Our Living Land" An Exhibition of Leading Artists from the East Kimberley, Salvo Hotel, Shanghai, China

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2012 "Songlines - A Coo-ee Christmas" Coo-ee Gallery, Bondi Beach, NSW

2012 "Revealed" An Exhibition of Emerging Indigenous Artists from WA, Central TAFE Gallery, Perth

2010 "The Rebirth of Kalumburu Painting" Mossensons Gallery Melbourne VIC

2010 "The Kalumburu Project" Seva Frangos Art Perth WA

2010 "27th NATSIAA" Museum and Gallery of Northern Territory NT

Collections

Art Gallery of WA

National Gallery of Australia

Zhongfu Group Collection

Royal Perth Hospital Collection

Bibliography

2013 "Our Living Land" Exhibition Catalogue