



# Patrick Mung Mung

B. 1948, Spring Creek Station, East Kimberleys WA, Australia

## BIOGRAPHY:

Patrick Mung Mung is a senior artist at Warmun Art Centre and an elder at Warmun Community in the East Kimberley. Painting with natural earth pigments on canvas is a significant aspect of his art practice. His knowledge of his country and his cultural memory of family, land and work are powerfully linked in his work. Like his late father, George Mung Mung, Patrick is a strong crosscultural communicator. Patrick's work is influenced by the previous generation of Warmun artists, which include Rover Thomas and Paddy Jaminji - in its raw directness and composition.

Patrick was born at Spring Creek and worked as a stockman for many years on Texas Downs Station and nearby stations in the East Kimberley. He was the last worker to leave Texas Downs when it closed down in the 1970s. In 1991 following his father's death, it fell to Patrick to accompany his father's carving 'Mary of Warmun' to Canberra for the exhibition 'Aboriginal Art and Spirituality' at the High Court of Australia. This occasion marked the beginning of a journey for Patrick, which was to see him take on his father's role of senior artist, law and culture man. Patrick Mung Mung started painting in 1991, and was instrumental in establishing the artist-and-community-owned art centre at Warmun in 1998. Since that time, Patrick has led Gija performances of the Gurirr Gurirr around Australia and in Paris and Canada.

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

- 2010 Raft Artspace - Alice Springs, NT
- 2008 The Gentle Light of Warmun: Patrick Mung Mung & Yvonne Martin - Seva Frangos Art, Perth
- 2007 Patrick Mung Mung & Betty Carrington - Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, Vic
- 2006 Patrick Mung Mung & Mabel Juli - Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, Vic
- 2003 Artplace - Perth, WA
- 2000 Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi - Melbourne, Vic

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

- 2020 Ngarranggarni, JGM Gallery, London, UK
- 2019 "Manparra" Big Boss Man - Male Masters Show, Short Street Gallery, Broome
- 2019 Ngargoorroon Cowboys - Aboriginal & Pacific Art Gallery, Waterloo, NSW
- 2019 ProHart Outback Art Prize - Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery, NSW
- 2019 Hedland Art Award - Courthouse Gallery, Port Hedland

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- 2018 GIJA Exhibition, Woolloongabba Art Gallery, Queensland - An exhibition honouring the Warmun artists, and 20 years of the Gija art movement.
- 2018 Warmun At Twenty Exhibition - A group exhibition celebrating 20 years of Warmun Art Centre, Nancy Sever Gallery, Canberra
- 2018 Kimberley to Coast Exhibition at Salt Contemporary Art - McCulloch & McCulloch, Queenscliff, March 2018
- 2017 When The Sky Fell - Legacies of the 1967 Referendum - Perth Institute of Contemporary Arts, Perth, Western Australia
- 2017 Spiritual essence of the Earth with Warmun artists - Aboriginal Signature Estranging gallery Brussels
- 2015 Garnkiny: Constellations of Meaning - Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA
- 2014 Garnkiny: Constellations of Meaning - RMIT Gallery, Melbourne, Vic
- 2014 Gija Contemporary Art from Warmun - Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney. NSW
- 2012 Bankwest Contemporary Art Prize - Bankwest Art Gallery, Perth, WA
- 2012 Patrick and Betty - Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA
- 2012 9th Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award - Museum & Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, Darwin, N.T
- 2011 Western Australian Indigenous Art Awards, - Perth, WA
- 2011 Jiliny: Warmun Men - Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA
- 2011 My Country and Me - ReDot Gallery, Singapore
- 2011 Warmun 2011 - Gallery Gabriel Pizzi, Melbourne, Vic
- 2011 Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award - Darwin, NT
- 2010 Art + Soul - Art Gallery of New South Wales, NSW
- 2010 Framed Gallery - Darwin, NT
- 2009 The Youngest One - Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
- 2009 The Best of the Best 2 - Framed Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2009 First and second generation artists from Waringarri and Warmun - Seva Frangos Gallery, Perth, WA
- 2009 Sharing Difference on Common Ground: Mangkaja, Mowanjum, Waringarri, Warmun - Holmes a Court Gallery, Perth, WA
- 2009 Ochre: A Study in Materiality - Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA
- 2008 Ten Years of Warmun Ochres - Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
- 2008 'Warmun: Ten Years On, Five Artists - Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, Vic
- 2008 Melbourne Art Fair - Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Royal Exhibition Buildings, Melbourne, Vic
- 2008 Mungowum Ngarraknaari Yaaron (Strong Stories, Strong Culture) - Short St. Gallery, Broome,
- 2008 East of East Kimberley: Warmun in Asia - ReDot Gallery, Singapore
- 2007 'Warda-wurrarem (all kinds of stars) - Raft Artspace, Darwin, NT
- 2007 Ochre, Brushes, Canvas: new work from Warmun - Hogarth Galleries, Sydney, NSW
- 2007 Greetings from Turkey Creek - Mary Place Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2006 Bungle Bungles - Short St. Gallery, Broome, WA
- 2006 Gentlemen of Warmun - Seva Frangos Art, Perth, WA
- 2006 Warmun Art Centre Presents - Mary Place Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2005 Waterhole11 - GrantPirrie in association with Raft Artspace, Sydney, NSW
- 2005 New Works from Warmun - Framed Gallery, Darwin NT
- 2005 Gija: across the border - Raft Artspace, Darwin, NT
- 2005 Waterhole Country - Short St. Gallery, Broome, WA
- 2005 Telstra NATSIAA - Darwin, NT
- 2003 Framed Gallery - Darwin, NT
- 2003 Artist in Residence Exhibition - Coomalie Culture Centre, Bachelor, NT
- 2003 True stories: Art of the East Kimberley - Yiribana Gallery, Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney, NSW
- 2003 Masters Show - Gallery Gondwana, Alice Springs, NT

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- 2002 Flinders University Art Museum - Adelaide, SA
- 2002 Framed Gallery - Darwin, NT
- 2002 Easter Show - Bett Gallery, Hobart, Tas
- 2002 'Im Land Ist Das Sein (Land Is Life, Art from Australia) agdschloss' - Granitz, Binz, Rugan, Germany
- 2002 Collectors Show, in association with Seva Frangos - Span Gallery, Melbourne, Vic
- 2002 Native Title Business Exhibition - Australia wide, to 2005
- 2002 Warmun Group Show - Flinders University Gallery, Adelaide, SA
- 2002 Munumburra: Wise old men from Warmun - Artplace, Perth, WA
- 2002 Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi - Melbourne, Vic
- 2002 Group Show - Framed Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 2001 Collectors Show - Bett Gallery, Launceston & Hobart, Tas
- 2001 Chapel off Chapel - Melbourne, Vic
- 2001 'Das Verborgene im Sichtbaren', Staedtische - Galerie Wolfsburg (with Aboriginal Galerie Baehr, Speyer), Germany
- 2001 Past Modern, - Short St. Gallery, Broome, WA
- 2001 New Paintings from Warmun Art Centre, - Fireworks Gallery, Brisbane, Qld
- 2001 NATSIAA - Darwin, NT
- 2000 Blickdicht-an-und Einblicke Zeitgenossische - Adelhausermuseum, Freiburg, Germany
- 2000 Hogarth Galleries - Paddington, NSW
- 2000 Kunst der Aborigines - Galerie Baehr, Germany
- 2000 'This Earth for Us: Australian Dreaming' - Commonwealth Institute, London, Bristol & Edinburgh, UK Ben Grady Gallery - Canberra, ACT
- 2000 Bett Gallery - Hobart, Tas
- 2000 Telstra NATSIAA - Darwin, NT
- 2000 The Art of Place, National Indigenous Heritage Art Award - Canberra, ACT; selected to tour
- 2000 Traumpfade Zeitgenossische Malerei Australischer Aborigines, Stadtische Galerie - Traunstein, Germany
- 2000 Limited Edition Prints - Chrysalis Publishing, Melbourne, Vic
- 2000 Melbourne Art Fair (Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi) - Melbourne, Vic
- 2000 State of my Country - Hogarth Galleries, Sydney, NSW
- 1999 Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi - Melbourne, Vic.
- 1999 East Kimberley Art Award - Kununurra, WA
- 1999 'Hale School Annual Art Award' - Perth, WA
- 1999 Hogarth Galleries - Sydney, NSW
- 1999 Short St. Gallery - Broome, WA
- 1999 Karen Brown Gallery - Darwin, NT
- 1999 Japingka Gallery - Perth, WA

## **COLLECTIONS:**

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## **AWARDS**

2018 Hedland Art Award Winner  
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