



Donald Moko

b. circa 1938, Kalajadu near Wangkatjungka, Great Sandy Desert WA, Australia

BIOGRAPHY

Donald Moko is a senior law man from the Mindi Mindi clan of the Yulparija. He was born at Kalajadu near Wangkatjungka, west of Well 33 on the Canning Stock Route in the Great Sandy Desert. He grew up travelling all around his traditional country with his parents. He went through law and trained as a traditional Maparn (medicine man). This took him travelling all around. He came to Bidiyadanga in the late 1960's with his wife Mary Meribida and their children.

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2014 Saltwater Soul Desert Heart, Short St Gallery Broome, WA, Australia
- 2012 Deserts and Rivers, Aboriginal Art from Western Australia's North, Form Gallery, Perth, Australia
- 2012 Crossing Cultures: The Owen and Wagner Collection of Contemporary Aboriginal Australian Art at the Hood Museum of Art, Australia
- 2012 Luminescences: The Colour of Bidiyadanga, Harvey Art Projects, Idaho, USA
- 2011 Australian Aboriginal Art: Painting from the Deserts, ININTI in collaboration with IDAIA, Madrid, Spain
- 2011 'Shalom Gamarada Nginyani Yana Art Fair 2011', Sydney, NSW
- 2011 'Summer Haze', JGM Galleries, London, UK
- 2011 'Pearls, Paint & Ilma', Aratong Galleries, Australian High Commission, Singapore, Australia
- 2011 'Bidiyadanga Recent Paintings', Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT, Australia
- 2010 Yiwarra Kuju, Canning Stock Route exhibition, National Museum of Australia, Canberra ACT, Australia
- 2010 Melbourne Art Fair, Royal Exhibition Building. - Short St Gallery & William Mora Galleries, Australia
- 2009 Short on Size, Short St Gallery, Broome WA, Australia
- 2009 26th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award, MAGNT, Darwin, Australia
- 2008 From Desert to Saltwater, Booker-Lowe Gallery, Houston Texas, USA
- 2008 Bidiyadanga Artists 2008, AP Bond Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA, Australia
- 2007 Winpa, Raft Art Space, Darwin, NT, Australia
- 2007 Desert Heart, Nevill Keating Gallery, London, England
- 2007 From the Bungalow I: Yulparija Artists, Johnston Gallery, Perth, WA, Australia
- 2006 Northern Journey, The Priory at Bingie, Bingie, NSW, Australia
- 2005 The return of our land, Gallery Gondwana, Alice Springs, NT, Australia
- 2005 Weaver Jack, Donald Moko, Spider Kalbybidi: Recent Works from Bidiyadnaga, William Mora Gallery, Melbourne, VIC, Australia
- 2004 Desert Ocean, Short st. Gallery @ Kidogo Gallery, Fremantle, WA, Australia
- 2004 Divas of the Desert, Gallery Gondwana, Alice Springs, NT, Australia
- 2004 Bidiyadanga Artists, William Mora Gallery, Melbourne, VIC, Australia
- 2004 Bidiyadanga Art, Art House Gallery, Sydney, NSW, Australia

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- 2004 2004 Australian Visual Culture Now, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, NSW, Australia
- 2004 National Telstra Art Awards, Northern Territory Art Gallery, Darwin, Australia
- 2004 Kirriwirri, Raft Art Space, Darwin, NT, Australia
- 2004 Saltwater to Desert Images, Short st. Gallery @ Mary Place Gallery, Sydney, NSW, Australia
- 2004 Colour Power, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, VIC, Australia
- 2003 Manyiljara, Short st. Gallery, Broome, WA, Australia

AWARDS

- 2009 Telstra Prize Finalist
- 2004 Telstra Prize Finalist

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- 2019 Artslibre, Pientre du Clan Yulparitja de Bidyadnga
- 2010 Nicolas Rothwell, 'Journeys to the Interior', Black Inc, Australia, 2010
- 2008 The Australian Newspaper, In the Shadow of Modernity, Nicholas Rothwell, December 13,
- 2006 Dynasties, Series:4, Ep:8, The Mora Family, Jan 06
- 2006 The New McCulloch's Encyclopedia of Australian Art, 2006
- 2004 The Australian Financial Review Magazine "Art Direction" June 2004
- 2004 The Age Newspaper "Yulparija show their colours:" April 19 2004
- 2004 The Australian Newspaper, "West Coast's Late Bloomers" April 2004
- 2004 Culture Now Catalogue, National Gallery of Victoria, 2004
- 2004 Colour Power Catalogue, National Gallery of Victoria, 2004
- 2004 Colour Power: Aboriginal Art post-1984, CD-ROM, NGV

COLLECTIONS

- National Gallery of Australia
- National Gallery of Victoria
- Laverty Collection
- University of Notre Dame
- RACV Collection
- Myer Collection
- Dadon Collection
- Sam Barry Collection
- Art Gallery of Western Australia
- Artbank
- Canning Stock Route Project Collection

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