



# Josephine Napurrula

Born in 1948, Australia.

## BIOGRAPHY

Josephine Napurrula was born in approximately 1948 near a rockhole site where the Tjukula community was later established. She walked to Haasts Bluff with a large group of people as a young girl. She moved between Haasts Bluff and Papunya with her family before later settling in Kintore. In 1999 Napurrula contributed to the Kintore women's painting as part of the Western Desert Dialysis Appeal.

Napurrula first exhibited her paintings in 1996. Her work is included in the collections of the National Gallery of Australia, the Art Gallery of New South Wales, the Museum and Art Galleries of the Northern Territory, Artbank and the Griffith University Art Collection and has exhibited extensively throughout Australia and in Germany and Singapore.

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## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2001 *'Josephine Napurrula - A New Talent'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia

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## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2015 *'Community VII'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2014 *'Community VI'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2013 *'Community V'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2011 *'Papunya Tula Women's Art'*, Maitland Regional Art Gallery, New South Wales, Australia
- 2011 *'Papunya Tula Artists - Community III'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2009 *Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair*, The Chan Building, Bennett Park Darwin, Australia
- 2009 *'Community - The Heart of Papunya Tula Artists'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2008 *'Melbourne Art Fair 2008'*, Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia
- 2008 *'Licht in der Wüste: Aboriginal Art aus der Central und Western Desert'*, Artkelch at Lichtaus Kirchnir, Weinstadt Endersbach, Germany
- 2008 *'Pairs of Paintings'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2008 *'Marrkangku Yara Palyantjaku Ngurrangka' - Making Strong Paintings At Home*, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, Australia
- 2008 *'New Paintings from Papunya Tula Artists'*, Chapman Gallery, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory, Australia
- 2007 *'Papunya Tula'*, Short Street Gallery, Broome, Western Australia, Australia
- 2007 *'Big Paintings by Papunya Tula Artists'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2007 *'Aboriginal Art 2007'*, Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia
- 2007 *'Rising Stars'*, Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia
- 2007 *'Pintupi - Mixed Exhibition'*, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, Australia
- 2007 *'Turning 20'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2006 *'A Particular Collection'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2006 *'Melbourne Art Fair 2006'*, Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia
- 2006 *'PTA'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2006 *'Pintupi Art 2006'*, Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, South Australia, Australia
- 2006 *'Paintings by Papunya Tula Artists'*, Suzanne O'Connell Gallery, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia
- 2006 *'Yawulyurru kapalilu palyara nintilpayi'*, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, Australia
- 2005 *'from big things little things grow'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia
- 2005 *'Pintupi Show'*, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, Australia
- 2005 *'New Ideas 2005'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia

- 2005 *'Papunya Tula - the next generation'*, Walkabout Gallery, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia  
2005 *'Rising stars'*, Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia  
2005 *'Strong and Stately'*, Red Dot Gallery, Singapore  
2004 *'All About Papunya'*, Chapman Gallery, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory, Australia  
2004 *'Rising stars'*, Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia  
2004 *'Pintupi Artists'*, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, Australia  
2003 *'Christmas Gift Exhibition'*, Alcaston Gallery, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia  
2002 *'Redlands Westpac Art Prize'*, Mosman Art Gallery, New South Wales, Australia  
2002 *'Solstice – Paintings for a New Season'*, Utopia Art Sydney, New South Wales, Australia  
2001 *'Pintupi Women From Kintore'*, Fireworks Gallery, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia  
2000 *'Raintree Art Gallery'*, Darwin, Northern Territory, Australia  
2000 *'Aboriginal Art Select Works'*, Kozminsky Gallery and Fine Art Dealers, Melbourne, Australia  
1996 *'Utopia Art Sydney'*, New South Wales, Australia  
1996 *'Papunya Tula Artists Pty. Ltd.'* Alice Springs, Northern Territory, Australia
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## COLLECTIONS

National Gallery of Australia  
Art Gallery of New South Wales  
Museums and Art Galleries of the Northern Territory  
Artbank  
Griffith University Art Collection

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Kirsty McHarg, *Aboriginal Art Select Works*, exhibition catalogue 2000  
Scott Livesey Galleries, *'Aboriginal Art 2007'*, exhibition catalogue, Melbourne, Victoria  
Johnson, V. *'Lives of the Papunya Tula Artists'*, I.A.D. Press, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, 2008

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