

EVERYWHEN ART

ARTIST CV

WAWIRIYA BURTON



c 1928-33 - 2021

Language: Pitjantjara

Community: Amata, APY Lands

Wawiriya Burton was a senior woman and Ngangkari (traditional healer) from the Amata community. She began painting at Tjala Arts in 2008, before which she specialised in baskets and punu (wood carvings). Wawiriya was an important cultural leader, passing on strong traditional cultural knowledge as demonstrated in her expressive paintings of her country. In these paintings, Wawiriya tells the story of her father's country near Pipalyatjara, west of Amata in South Australia. A natural talent, her work gained fast recognition, and Wawiriya was selected seven times as a finalist in the National Indigenous Art Awards at the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory and four times as a finalist in the Wynne Prize at the Art Gallery of New South Wales. In 2018 Wawiriya received the Roberts Family Prize at the Wynne Prize. Her works are held in numerous institutional collections both nationally and internationally.

"A long time ago, when we were little children, we ran around Puta Puta and Ilitjata, our grandfather's and father's ground, and because of this we grew up strong. Why? Because it's Anangu country – Aboriginal people's country – of their spirit.

Solo Exhibitions

2021 zKunmanara (Wawiriya) Burton: Palumpa Ngura Munu Tjukurpa: Her Country and Stories, Olsen Gallery, Sydney

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022 Short St Gallery, Broome WA

2020 Tjungungku Walkatjunanyu – Painting Together, Aboriginal Signiture, Estrangin Gallery

2020 Kulata Tjuta, Musée des Beaus-Arts de Rennes, France

2020 Tarmanthi 2020: Open Hands, Art Gallery South Australia

2020 Tjala Arts- Tjukurpa nganampa kunpu kanyintjaku: Stories that keep culture Strong, Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney

2020 37th Telstra National Indigenous Art Award Finalist, Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, Darwin

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2020 Tjala 2020, Outstation Gallery, Darwin
2020 Nganampa Tjukurpa Pulkatjara- Stories from our Land, Olsen Gallery, Sydney 2020 Amata Women, Short St Gallery, Broome WA
2019 Ngangkari, Raft Artspace, Alice Springs
2019 36th Telstra National Indigenous Art Award Finalist, Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, Darwin
2019 Nganampa Waltja Tjukurpa – Our Family Tjukurpa, Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney
2019 APY Lands, Olsen Gruin Gallery, New York
2018 Nganampa Ngura Kurunjara – The Place of Our Spirit, Olsen Gallery, Sydney 2018 Desert Mob, Araluen Galleries, Alice Springs
2018 35th Telstra National Indigenous Art Award Finalist, Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, Darwin
2018 Tjala Arts: New work by senior artists, Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney 2018 Art of the APY Art Centre Collective, Alcaston Gallery, Melbourne
2018 Wynne Prize Finalist, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney NSW 2018 Amata Imagined, Short St Gallery, Broome WA
2017 Tarnanthi Festival, Art Gallery of South Australia Indigenous Art Salon
Art Gallery of South Australia
2017 Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, Darwin, 34th Telstra National Indigenous Art Award Finalist 2017 Outstation Gallery, Tjala Tjukurrpa
2017 NATSIAA, MAGNT, Darwin, NT
2017 Wynne Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, NSW
2016 Short St Gallery, Broome WA, Ngayuku Mgura – My Country
2016 Aboriginal Signature Estragin Gallery, Brussels-Gems from the desert by Aboriginal Signature Estragin Gallery
2016 Hazelhurst Regional Gallery and Art Centre, Sydney - Nganampa Kililpil: Our Stars
2016 Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney - 2016 Seven Sisters
2016 Aboriginal Signature Estragin Gallery, Brussels - Rachines by Aboriginal Signature Estragin Gallery
2016 Ngayuku ngura - My Country, Short St Gallery, Broome, WA
2015 Kwarila Tjunguringanyi - All Together Now, Short St Gallery, Broome WA 2015 Paul Johnston Gallery in association with Darwin Festival - Salon des Refuse 2015 Art Gallery of Western Australian, Western Australian Indigenous Art Awards
2015
2015 Aboriginal and Pacific Art, Sydney - Tjintu Wiru - Beautiful Day
2015 Aboriginal Signature Estragin Gallery, Brussels - Paysages incarnes by Aboriginal Signature Estragin Gallery 2015 Aboriginal Signature Estragin Gallery, Brussels - Ligne de vie nomade at Aboriginal Signature Estragin Gallery.
2014 Short Street Gallery, In Memory of Kunmanara Williamson: These are the Stories we teach our Children
2014 Araluen Galleries, Alice Springs - Desert Mob
2014 Museum and Art Gallery of Northern Territory - 31st TELstra NATional Indigenous

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Art Award Finalist

2014 Aboriginal and Pacific Art Gallery - Paintings from the Heart of Amata Country 2014 Outstation Gallery, Darwin - Tjala-nga - It's all about Tjala

2014 Red Dot Gallery Singapore - Tjintu Kuwaritja Wiru Mulapa

2013 Araluen Galleries, Alice Springs - Desert mob

2013 Aboriginal & Pacific Art, Sydney- 2013 Tjukurpa Nganampa Kunpu Kanyintjaka: Stories that keep culture strong

2013 Outstation Gallery, Darwin - Kunpu Pulka - Stong and Important

2012 Marshall Arts, Adelaide - Tjala Arts New Works

2012 Short St Gallery, Perth - Tjala Arts New Works

2012 RAFT Artspace, ALice Springs - Punu ngura - From the Trees

2012 Outstation Gallery, Darwin - Jgura Ngura Munu Malaku Ngura Kutu - From home and returning home

2012 Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne - Kunpu munu ninti pilulka - Ngangatja anangu tjuta ku minyma ku way. Strong and Wise - This is the way of Anangu Women 2011 Artkelsch, Germany - Western APY Lands

2011 Aboriginal and Pacific Art Gallery, Sydney - Ngura Wiru Mulapa - Our Beautiful Country

2011 Outstation Gallery, Darwin - Nganampa Kampatjanka Uungutja - Behind our Canvas

2011 Raft Artspace alic Springs - I hold my mothers story. I hold my fathers story. 2011 Araluen, Alice Springs - Desert Mob

2011 Tjala Artists 2011, Short St Gallery, Broome WA

2010 Desert Country, Art Gallery of South Australia

2010 Tjala Arts Ala Patintjaku, Tjala Arts Closing the Gap, Marshall Arts, Adelaide 2010 Desert Mob

2010, Araluen Gallery, Alice Springs

2010 Tjukurpa Kunpu Nganana Kanyini Pulka. Our Stories We Hold Strong, Outstation Gallery, Darwin

2010 Tjala Women, Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne

2010 Raft Launch APY NPY Survey Exhibition, Raft Artspace, Alice Springs

2010 Nganampa Tjukurpa Kunpu. Our Strong Stories, Aboriginal and Pacific Art Gallery, Sydney

2010 APY NPY Exhibition, Marshall Arts

2010 Tjukurpa Pulkatjara, South Australia Museum, Adelaide 2009 Our Mob, Adelaide Festival Centre

2009 Desert Mob, Araluen Centre, Alice Springs

2009 Tjala Arts, Randell Lane, Perth

2009 Tjala Women, Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne

2009 Tjala Arts, Aboriginal and Pacific Art Gallery, Sydney

2009 Tjala Arts, Chapman Gallery, Canberra

2008 Desert Mob, Araluen Centre, Alice Springs

2008 Tjala Arts, Randell Lane, Perth

2000 Iritja munu kuwaitja tjukurpa. Stories from past and present, Tandanya, Adelaide

AWARD EXHIBITIONS

2021 Wynne Prize Finalist

2020 Telstra Prize Finalist

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2019 NATSIAA Telstra Prize Finalise

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2018 Wynne Prize - Winner Roberts Family Prize 2018 Wynne Prize Finalist

2017 Finalist, Wynne Prize 2016 Telstra Prize Finalist 2014 Telstra Prize Finalist 2010 Telstra Prize Finalist

COLLECTIONS

Art Gallery of New South Wales Art Gallery of South Australia Artbank

Corrigan Collection

Harriett & Richard England Collection

International Court of Justice, The Hague, Netherlands Lavery Collection

Marshall Collection

Merenda Collection

National Collection of Victoria

Queensland Art Gallery - Gallery of Modern Art