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Eileen was born at Haasts Bluff in December 1956. Her father, Charlie Tararu Tjungurrayi, was one of the founding members of Papunya Tula Artists, and her mother Tatali Nangala was also a very successful artist with the company from 1996 until her death in 1999. Eileen grew up in Haasts Bluff and later moved to Kintore with her family when it was first established. The main site Eileen refers to in her paintings is Tjiturrulnga, which is slightly west of Kintore and the birth place of her father. She often sat beside both of her parents as they painted and although doing her first painting in 1996, didn't paint regularly until 1999.

Awards

2005 Redlands Westpac Art Prize, Emerging Artist Award

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2010 'Feeling the Heat', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

2005 'Lines', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

Selected Group Exhibitions

2020 'Community XI', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

'Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize, Sydney, NSW

2019 'Community X', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

'Am Anfang War Das Land – In the Beginning was the Land', Kunstwerk Sammlung Klein, Eberdingen - Nussdorf, Germany

2018 'Sydney Contemporary 2018', Carriageworks, Sydney, NSW

2017 'Community VII', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

Parcours des Mondes, Arts d'Australie, Paris, France

2016 The Last Hurrah, Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

Parcours des Mondes, Arts d'Australie, Paris, France

2015 'Community VII', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

'Painting from Papunya Tula Artists', Hawkesbury Regional Gallery, NSW

2014 'Apmere – Home', Arthouse Gallery, Yongsan-gu, Seoul, South Korea

2013 'Community V', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

'Crossing Cultures: the Owen & Wagner Collection of Contemporary Australian Aboriginal Art', Toledo Museum of Art, OH, USA

2012 'Community IV: Celebrating Forty Years of Papunya Tula Artists', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

'Papunya Tula: Works on Paper', Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney, NSW

'Crossing Cultures: the Owen & Wagner Collection of Contemporary Australian Aboriginal Art', Hood Museum of Art, Hanover, NH, USA

'Ancestral Modern: Australian Aboriginal Art from the Kaplan & Levi Collection', Seattle Art Museum, WA, USA

'Papunya Tula Artists: Women Painters from Kintore and Kiwirrkura', Metropolis Gallery, Geelong, VIC

2011 'Papunya Tula Women's Art', Maitland Regional Art Gallery, NSW

'Papunya Tula Artists – Community III', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

Papunya Tula Artists: Women Painters from the Western Desert, Metropolis Gallery, Geelong, VIC

2010 'Papunya Tula Artists – Community', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

'Ngurra Kutju Ngurrara – Belonging To One Country', ReDot Gallery, Singapore.
Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair, Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin, NT.

'Tradition & Innovation – Papunya Tula 2010', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC.

2009 '5th Annual Shalom Gamarada Aboriginal Art Exhibition', Shalom College UNSW, NSW

'Six Hands', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

'Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair', The Chan Building, Bennett Park, Darwin, NT

'The 23 Annual Packsaddle Selling Exhibition', New England Regional Art Museum, NSW

- 'Community – The Heart of Papunya Tula Artists', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Tjukurrpa Palurukutu, Kutjupawana Palyantjanya – Same Stories, A New Way', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 'KIAF 2010, Korea International Art Fair', COEX, Seoul, Korea
- Pro Community – Papunya Tula Artists', Kunstwerk, Ebergingen-Nussdorf,; ArtBar 71, Berlin; VDMA, Frankfurt; Artkelch, Freiburg; Germany
- 2008 'Virtuosity: The Evolution of Painting at Papunya Tula', The Kluge-Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection of the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, USA
- 'TogArt Contemporary Art Award', Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin, NT
- 'Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair', Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin, NT
- 'Pintupi Women', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- '20 years of Papunya Tula Artists', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Pintupi Art 2008', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- TogArt Contemporary Art Award, Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT
- 'Desert Prophets', Indigenart, Perth, WA, Australia
- 2007 'Papunya Tula Artists – Big Paintings', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Papunya Tula Women', Suzanne O'Connell Gallery, Brisbane, QLD
- 'Papunya Tula 2007', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Survey – Group Show of Emerging Artists', Raft Artspace, Darwin, NT
- 'Aboriginal Art 2007', Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Rising Stars', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Parcours des Mondes', Galerie Arts d'Australie, Paris, France
- 'Pintupi Art 2007', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 2006 'Melbourne Art Fair 2006', Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Across the board', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Papunya Tula Artists 2006', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Right Here, Right Now: Recent Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Acquisitions', NGA, ACT
- 'PTA', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Pintupi', Hamiltons Gallery, London, UK
- Togart Contemporary Art Exhibition, Supreme Court, Darwin, NT
- 'Papunya Tula Artists – Recent Paintings', Harriet Place, Darwin, NT
- 'Aboriginal Art 2006', Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Pintupi Art 2006', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 'Pintupi Dreamtime', Red Dot Gallery, Singapore
- 'Paintings by Papunya Tula Artists', Suzanne O'Connell Gallery, Brisbane, QLD
- 'Yawulyurru kapalilu palyara nintilpayi', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 'Rising Stars', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi', Melbourne, VIC
- 2005 'Pintupi Artists, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 'Strongly and Stately', ReDot Gallery, Singapore
- 'Pintupi Art 2005', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 'Redlands Westpac Art Prize', Mosman Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 'Papunya Tula Artists - new work for a new space', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'New Ideas 2005', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Pintupi Women', Indigenart, Subiaco, WA
- 'Papunya Tula Artists', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Rising Stars', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi', Melbourne, VIC
- 'Aboriginal Art 2005', Scott Livesey Art Dealer, Melbourne, VIC
- 'The Desert Mob Art Show', Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT
- 'Pintupi Art 2005', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- New Works from the Western Desert', Indigenart, Perth, WA
- 2004 'Melbourne Art Fair 2004', Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Papunya Tula Artists – 2004', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 'All About Papunya', Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
- 'Ma Yungu/Pass It On', Framed Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 'Rising Stars', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Pintupi Artists', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2003 'Recent Paintings by the Women Artists of Kintore and Kiwirrkura', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Ab Op II', Utopia Art Sydney, Sydney, NSW
- 'Papunya Tula Artists – A Gift from the Desert', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Pintupi Artists', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT

2002 'Pintupi Mens and Womens Stories', Indigenart, Subiaco, WA
'Art Born Of The Western Desert', Framed Gallery, Darwin, NT

Collections

Artbank
Art Gallery of New South Wales
Art Gallery of South Australia
Harvard Art Museum, USA
Hood Museum of Art, USA
National Gallery of Australia

National Gallery of Victoria
Queensland Art Gallery
Redlands Art Collection
Toledo Museum of Art, USA
San Antonio Museum of Art, USA

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'Togart Contemporary Art Exhibition', 2006 exhibition catalogue, Darwin, NT.
'Pintupi', 2006, exhibition catalogue, Hamiltons Gallery, London, UK.
'Aboriginal Art 2007', Scott Livesey Art Dealer, exhibition catalogue, Melbourne, VIC.
'Togart Contemporary Art Award', 2008, exhibition catalogue, Darwin, NT.
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'Ngurra Kutju Ngurrara – Belonging to One Country', 2010, ReDot Gallery, exhibition catalogue, Singapore.
'Ancestral Modern – Australian Aboriginal Art, the Kaplan & Levi Collection', 2012, exhibition catalogue, Seattle, WA, USA.
'Crossing Cultures – the Owen & Wagner Collection of Contemporary Aboriginal Australian Art', 2012, exhibition catalogue, Hanover, NH, USA.