

Makinti Napanangka AM – Pintupi

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c.1930 - 2011

Makinti Napanangka was born at Lupul rockhole south of Kintore c. 1930. She gave birth to her first child in the Lake MacDonald area and later had children in Haasts Bluff, Papunya and Alice Springs. She walked with her family to Haasts Bluff in the early 1940s before the Papunya Community was established. In the early 1970s her family moved west to the outstation of Yayayi, then to Kintore in the early 1980s.

Makinti began painting regularly for the company in 1996, while living at Kintore, and became one of the most prominent artists in Papunya Tula Artists history. Makinti died in 2011 in Alice Springs and she was posthumously awarded an AM later that year.

Solo Exhibitions

- 2010 'New Vision', Utopia Art Sydney
- 2007 'Makinti' Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs
- 2004 'Makinti' John Gordon Gallery, Coffs Harbour
- 2003 'Makinti Napanangka – A Painter' Utopia Art Sydney
- 2002 'Recent Paintings' Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi
- 2001 'Makinti Napanangka: new paintings'' Utopia Art Sydney
- 2000 'Makinti Napanangka: New Vision' Utopia Art Sydney

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2022 'Irrititja Kuwari Tjungu: Past & Present Together', Kluge-Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection of the University of Virginia, USA.
'Fifty Years of the Papunya Tula Artists Company, Utopia Art Sydney
'Community XII', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2021 'Papunya Tula: 50 Years', SH Ervin Gallery, Sydney, NSW
'Martupura Tjukurrpa - Important Business', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT.
'Papunya Tula I Fifty Years, Harvey Art Projects, Idaho, USA
- 2020 'Desert Painters of Australia: Two Generations', Gagosian, Hong Kong
- 2019 'Borrowed Scenery', Campbelltown Arts Centre, Sydney, NSW
'Community X', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2018 'Pintupi – Paintings from the Masters Of the Western Desert', Harvey Art Projects USA, Idaho, USA
'Three Women', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2016 'Artist's Hand: Collectors' Eye – The Angel Gift', NGV, Melbourne, VIC
- 2015 'Papunya Tula Artists – Indigenous Paintings from Australia's Western Desert', Brumby Ute Gallery, Aspen, Colorado, USA
'Tarnanthe – Festival of Contemporary Aboriginal And Torres Strait Islander Art, AGSA, Adelaide, SA
- 2014 "Parcours Des Modes, Arts d'Australie", Stephane Jacob, Paris, France
- 2013 'Crossing Cultures' The Owen and Wagner collection of Contemporary Aboriginal Australian Art, Toledo Museum of Art, Ohio, USA
'Community V', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Papunya Tula Artists: Masters Of the Western Desert', Harvey Art Projects USA, Sun Valley, Idaho, USA
- 2012 'Ancestral Modern' Australian Aboriginal Art from The Kalplan & Levi Collection, Seattle Art Museum, Washington, USA
'Crossing Cultures' The Owen and Wagner collection of Contemporary Aboriginal Australian Art, Hood Museum of Art, Hanover, New Hampshire, USA
'All Our Relations', 18th Biennale of Sydney, MCA, Sydney NSW
'Interconnected', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Good company', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'PTA 40th Anniversary Show' Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
'Unique Perspectives – Papunya Tula Artists And the Alice Springs Community' Araluen Art Centre, NT
- 2011 'Revival In Small', Artkelsch, Freiburg, Germany
'40 Years of Papunya Tula Artists', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Aboriginal Art 2011', Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
'Pintupi Trails 2011', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC

- 2010 'Museum III' Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Significant Women Artists from the Western Desert' Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
'36th Alice Prize, Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT
'PTA NOW', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Tradition And Innovation v- Papunya Tula 2010', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
'WA Indigenous Art Awards' AGWA, Perth, WA
'Aboriginal Art 2010', Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
'Papunya Tula Artists: Art of the Western Desert', Harvey Art Projects USA, Sun Valley, Idaho, USA
'Ngurra Kutju Nugurrara- Belonging To One Country', ReDot Gallery, Singapore
'Community', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Nyakula Kanyini Piintapalyalpayi Kamu Walytja Tjanampa Lurtju – Caring For Artists And their Families', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
'Papunya Tula Women's Art', Maitland Regional Gallery, NSW
- 2009 'All About country: Aboriginal Art from The Central and Western Desert', Artkelsch, Freiburg, Germany
'Papunya Tula Classics', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Pro Community – Papunya Tula Artists', Kunstwerk, Ebergingen-Nussdorf; Art Bar71, Berlin; VDMA, Frankfurt; Artkech, Freiburg, Germany
'26th Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award', NT
'Painting The Country', Cross Cultural Art Exchange', Darwin, NT
'TogArt Contemporary Art Award', Darwin, NT
'Six Hands', Utopia Art Sydney', NSW
'Desert Mob' 2009', Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT
'Nganana Tjungurringanyi Tjukurrpa Nintintjakitja – We Are Here Sharing Our Dreaming', 80 Washington Square East Galleries, NY, USA
'Pintupi 2009', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
'Community – The Heart Of Papunya Tula Artists', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Nganampatju Kanpatja Winki, Nganampatju Yara Wilkii – All Our Paintings, All Our Stories, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2008 '25th Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award', NT (Winner)
'Australian Abstraction', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Papunya Tula – Recent Works', Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA
'Papunya Tula Artists 2008', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
'New Paintings from Papunya Tula Artists', Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
'David Larwill and the Western Desert Artists', Stephan Wiess Studio, NY
'Virtuosity: The Evolution of Painting at Papunya Tula', The Kluge-Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection of the University of Virginia, USA
'Desert Prophets', Indigenart, Perth WA
'Paint', Raftspace', Darwin, NT
'Ngurra Yuru Kulintjaku – Always Remembering Country', Cross Cultural Art Exchange, Darwin, NT
'Aboriginal Art 2008', Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
'Marrkangku Yara Palyantjaku Ngurrangka – Making Strong Paintings At Home', Papunya Tula Artists, NT
'Pairs of Paintings', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 2007 'Papunya Tula', Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA
'Gifted: Contemporary Aboriginal Art, The Mollie Gowing Acquisition Fund', Art Gallery of NSW
'Papunya Tula Artists – Big Paintings', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Australian Abstraction', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Papunya Tula 2007', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
'Papunya Tula Women', Suzanne O'Connell Gallery, Brisbane, QLD
'Group Show', Jan Murphy Gallery, Brisbane, QLD
'24th Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award, Darwin, NT
'Recent Paintings 2007', Cross Cultural Art Exchange, Darwin, NT
'Pintupi Art 2007', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 2006 'A Particular Collection', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Well Represented', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Melbourne Art Fair 2006', Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne, VIC
'Luminous – Contemporary Art From The Australian Desert' Bathurst Regional Gallery, NSW
'Papunya Tula Artists 2006' Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
'PTA' Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
'Pintupi' Hamiltons Gallery, London, UK
'Dreaming Their Way' National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington, DC, USA
'Luminous – Contemporary Art From The Australian Desert' Manning Regional Art Gallery, NSW
'Papunya Tula Artists – Recent Paintings', Harriet Place, Darwin, NT
'Luminous – Contemporary Art From The Australian Desert' Grafton Regional Art Gallery, NSW
'The Desert Mob Art Show' Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT
'Pintupi Art 2006' Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA

- 'Pintupi Dreamtime' Red Dot Gallery, Singapore
- 'Yawulyurru kapalilu palyara nintilpayi' Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2005 'Aboriginal Art 2006' Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
- 'New Works From The Western Desert' Indigenart, Perth, WA
- 'from big things little things grow' Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Pintupi Artists' Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 'Papunya Tula Artists - new work for a new space', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Strong and Stately', Red Dot Gallery, Singapore
- 'Museum II', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'New Ideas 2005', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Pintupi Women', Indigenart, Perth, WA
- 'Celebrating 20 Years', Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award, traveling exhibition, Cairns Regional Gallery, QLD, Wollongong City Art Gallery, NSW
- 'Luminous - Contemporary Art From The Australian Desert', Manly Art Gallery And Museum, Sydney NSW, Bundoora Homestead Art Gallery, Bundoora VIC
- 'Aboriginal Vision In Contemporary Australian Art', Wright Exhibition Space, Seattle, Washington, USA
- 'Pintupi Art 2005', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 'Papunya Tula Artists', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Living Legends of the Western Desert', Walkabout Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2004 'Ma Yung/Pass It On', Framed Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 'Aboriginal Art 2004',
- 'Melbourne Art Fair 2004', Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Depth of Field – Anamorphosis', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'The Wynne Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, NSW
- 'Pintupi Art - 2004', Tony Bond Aboriginal Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award: 'Celebrating 20 Years', National Archives of Australia, Canberra, ACT
- 'Papunya Tula Artists – 2004', Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 'All About Papunya', Chapman Gallery Canberra, ACT
- 'Celebrating 20 Years', Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award, travelling exhibition, RMIT, Melbourne, VIC
- Redlands Westpac Art Prize, Mosman Art Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 'Pintupi Artists', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 'Mythology & Reality', Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Colour Power - Aboriginal Art Post 1984', National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, VIC
- 2003 'International Abstraction: Making Painting Real', Seattle Art Museum
- 'Papunya Tula Masters', The Depot Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 'Pintupi Art 2003' Tony Bond Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 'Recent Paintings by the Women Artists of Kintore and Kiwikurra' Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Papunya Tula Selected Paintings' William Mora Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Aboriginal Art 2003' Scott Livesey Art Dealer, Melbourne, VIC
- '20th Telstra National Aboriginal And Torres Strait Islander Art Award' Darwin, NT
- 'Pintupi Art From The Western Desert' Indigenart, Subiaco, WA
- 'Clemenger Contemporary Art Award' National Gallery of Australia, ACT
- 'Masterpieces From The Western Desert' Gavin Graham Gallery, London, UK
- Framed Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 'Pintupi Artists', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2002 'The Year In Review' Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Next Generation - Aboriginal Art 2002' Art House Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 'Paintings From Our Country' Tony Bond Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- William Mora Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Pintupi Men's' and Women's' Stories', Indigenart, Subiaco, WA
- 'Art Born of the Western Desert' Framed Gallery, Darwin, NT
- 'Saluting Papunya', Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
- 19th Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award, Darwin, NT
- 'Spring Exhibition 2002', Scott Livesey Art Dealer, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Pintupi Artists' Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
- 2001 'Dreamtime: the Dark and the Light', Kunst der Gegenwart, Sammlung Essl, Vienna
- 'Desert Flowering: Aboriginal Art from Private Collections', Manawatu Gallery, NZ
- Palm Beach Art Fair, Palm Beach, Florida, USA
- '2001', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
- 'Art of the Pintupi' Tony Bond Art Dealer, Adelaide, SA
- 'Aboriginal Art 2001' Scott Livesey, Art Dealer, Melbourne, VIC
- 'Dreamscapes-Contemporary Desert Art' Mostings Hus, Frederiksberg, Denmark
- 'Papunya Tula 20th Anniversary Exhibition' Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT

- 'Pintupi Exhibition' Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
 19th National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island award, Darwin, NT
 'Kintore and Kiwirrkura' Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
 'Dreamtime-Contemporary Aboriginal Art' Essi Collection, Vienna, Austria
 'Size Doesn't Matter' William Mora Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
 'Aborigena' Palazzo Bricherasio, Turin, Italy
 'Spirituality and Australian Aboriginal Art' Comunidad de Madrid touring exhibition, Spain
2000. 'Pintupi Women', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT
 'Melbourne Art Fair 2000', Royal Exhibition Hall, Melbourne, VIC
 'Papunya Tula Artists NOW', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
 'Papunya Tula: Genesis and Genius', Art Gallery of New South Wales, NSW
 Framed Gallery, Darwin, NT
 Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
1999. Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
 Moët & Chandon Touring Exhibition, RMIT Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
1998. Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
 'nineteen ninety eight', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
 15th National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award 1998, Museums & Art Galleries of the Northern Territory, Darwin, NT
 14th National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Art Award, RMIT University, Melbourne, VIC
 14th National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Art Award, Gold Coast Art Gallery, Surfers Paradise, QLD
 'The Desert Mob Art Show', Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT
1997. Museums & Art Galleries of the Northern Territory, Darwin, NT
 'The Desert Mob Art Show', Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT
 Gallery Gabrielle Pizzi, Melbourne, VIC
1996. 'Papunya Tula Women: first exhibition outside Alice Springs', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW
 Museums & Art Galleries of the Northern Territory, Darwin, NT
 Papunya Tula Artists Pty Ltd, Alice Springs, NT

Collections

National Gallery of Victoria	Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs
Art Gallery of New South Wales	Hood Museum of Art, Dartmouth College, New Hampshire, USA
Queensland Art Gallery	Counihan Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
Museums & Art Galleries of the Northern Territory	Charles Darwin University, Darwin, NT
Parliament House Collection, ACT	Griffith University Art Collection, Brisbane, QLD
Macquarie Group Collection	

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 'Papunya Tula: Genesis and Genius', exh. cat, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Australia 2000.
 'Aboriginal Art 2001' exhibition cat, Scott Livesey Art Dealer, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia 2001.
 'Desert Flowering', exhibition catalogue, Manawatu Art Gallery, North Island, New Zealand, 2001.
 'Dreamscapes- Contemporary Desert Art' exh. cat, Mostings Hus, Frederiksberg, Denmark, 2001.
 Sammlung Essl 'Dreamtime-Contemporary Aboriginal Art' exh. cat., Essl Collection, Vienna, Austria, 2001
 Achille Bonito Oliva, 'Aborigena', exhibition catalogue, Palazzo Bricherasio, Turin, Italy 2001.
 Scott Livesey Art Dealer, 'Spring Exhibition 2002', exhibition catalogue, Melbourne, VIC, Australia.
 Scott Livesey Art Dealer, 'Aboriginal Art 2003', exhibition catalogue, Melbourne, VIC, Australia.
 Gavin Graham Gallery, 'Masterpieces From The Western Desert', exhibition cat, London, UK, 2003.
 Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Award: 'Celebrating 20 Years', exh. cat 2004.
 Scott Livesey Art Dealer, 'Aboriginal Art 2004', exhibition catalogue, Melbourne, VIC
 'Mythology & Reality', exh cat, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne, VIC, Australia, 2004.
 Ryan J, 'Colour Power - Aboriginal Art Post 1984', exh. cat., National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, 2004.
 'Luminous - Contemporary Art From The Australian Desert', exh. cat, Manly Art Gallery & Museum, NSW, 2005.
 National Museum of Women in the Arts, 'Dreaming Their Way', exhibition catalogue, Washington, DC, USA
 Hamiltons Gallery, 'Pintupi', exhibition catalogue, London, UK, 2006.
 Scott Livesey Galleries, 'Aboriginal Art 2006', exhibition catalogue, Melbourne, VIC, Australia
 'Forging a Language of Emotion', The Australian, Nicolas Rothwell, December 27th 2007
 'Top 50 Australian Most Collectable Artists' Australian Art Collector, March 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006