

## **John West Tjupurrula - Pintupi**

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Born 1982

John West Tjupurrula is the son of Freddy West Tjakamarra and Payu Napaltjarri, and the brother of Bobby West Tjupurrula, all highly regarded Papunya Tula artists. John is an emerging artist showing incredible promise. He was born in Kintore, and now lives and works with his family in Kiwirrkura, regularly painting the sites Winpulpula and Palipalintjanya, associated with the closely guarded Tingari song cycle. John also works at the Kiwirrkura school teaching two-way science, and as a ranger working in land management. He started painting for the company in 2002.

### **Solo Exhibition**

2024 'John West Tjupurrula', Agency Projects, Melbourne, VIC

### **Selected Group Exhibitions**

2024 'Wynne Prize', Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney, NSW

'Landscapes' Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

'Field of Vision', S. H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney, NSW

2023 'Community XIV', Utopia Art Sydney, NSW

'Kutjungkarrinyi – Gathering Together, Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT

2022/23 'Irrititja Kuwarri Tjunga | Past & Present Together: 50 Years of Papunya Tula Artists', Kluge Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection of the University of Virginia, USA; Australian Embassy, Washington DC, USA

2022 'Tjukurrjtjanu Irrititja Tjunta – *Belonging to the Dreaming for a long time*', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT

2021 'Papunya: 50 years 1971-2021', S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney, NSW

'Martupura Tjukurrpa – *Important Business*', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT

2020 'Desert Stories', Paul Johnstone Gallery, Darwin, NT

'Desert Mob 2020', Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs, NT

'Papunya Tula 2020', Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne, VIC

2019 'Desert Mob 2019', Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs, NT

'Pintupi Show 2019', Papunya Tula Artists, Alice Springs, NT