



# Short St. Gallery

## Emma Nungarrayi Daniels

**Born** 1934  
**Language** Warlpiri, Luritja, Anmatjërre  
**Region** Central Desert



## Biography

Nungarrayi lived at Papunya for many years and was recognised as a member of the Papunya Artists Movement of the 1970s and 1980s. She was a well-respected elder holding much ritual knowledge, not only in story form, but also song and dance. Nungarrayi also lived at Mt. Doreen Station near Yuendumu for many years with her brother, Don Tjungarrayi. They are Traditional Owners of Karrinyarra, Central Mount Wedge and Stuart Bluff Range and led the families in their successful application for Land Rights.

Her father was Yungkungpungu Japaljarri, killed during the Coniston Massacre in 1928. Her mother fled to Karrinyarra, and the children were adopted by the whole clan. Nungarrayi lived in Alice Springs and painted with Ngurratjuta from when it first opened in 2004 until 2012. Since then, she joined Tangentyere Artists until she passed away in March 2015. Her paintings gained a lot of attention with her bold motifs and strong colours, indicative of the Papunya area. Sister to renowned artist Paddy Carroll (now deceased), Nungarrayi joined Tangentyere Artists in 2012 and brought great skill and experience as a painter with her. She worked on creating beautiful works, enjoying the process enormously. Nungarrayi held the sacred and secret law from the country she called Karrinyarra. She passed away peacefully in 2015, a deeply loved and respected community member, and artist.

## Solo Exhibitions

2012 Talapi Art Gallery, Alice Springs NT Karrinyarra - Emma Nungarrayi Daniel Exhibition  
2008 Mossenson Galleries, Melbourne VIC Karrinyarra - My Home  
2007 Fremantle, Perth Solo Exhibition  
2006 Indigenart Gallery, Perth WA Solo Exhibition  
2006 Art Shed, Central Australian Art Society, Alice Springs Solo exhibition

## Group Exhibitions



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- 2016 Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair, Darwin NT
- 2014 Bright Gallery Bright VIC Time and Place 2:
- 2014 Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin 8th Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair
- 2014 Tangentyere Artists Group Show New Works: Salon Show
- 2014 Boomali Cooperative, Sydney NSW RightNow
- 2014 Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs NT Tangentyere Artists - A Survey
- 2013 Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs NT New Work by Tangentyere Artists
- 2013 Tangentyere Artists Gallery, Alice Springs NT Tangentyere Artists - Open Day of New Art Centre
- 2013 Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob Exhibition 2013 Central Craft, Alice Springs NT Tangentyere Artists
- 2013 Raft Art Space, Alice Springs NT Our Way, Their Way - Group Show with Yarrenyty Artere Artists
- 2012 Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Alice Springs Beanie Festival
- 2012 Cooee Aboriginal Art Gallery, Sydney NSW Songlines - A Cooee Christmas
- 2012 4 Elder Street Alice Springs NT Tangentyere Artists Open Day
- 2012 Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob Exhibition 2012 Convention Centre, Darwin NT Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair
- 2008 Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob Exhibition - Dance Performance
- 2007 Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob Exhibition
- 2007 Gallery Gondwana, Alice Springs NT Divas of the Desert
- 2007 Metro Temple ou Republic, Paris, France Stories of the Desert
- 2007 Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Advocate Art Award
- 2007 Paris, France Histoires Du Desert
- 2007 Exhibition Buildings, Melbourne VIC Melbourne Affordable Art Fair
- 2006 Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob Exhibition - Dance Performance
- 2006 Australian Dreaming Art Gallery, Melbourne VIC Group Exhibition
- 2005 Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob Exhibition - Dance Performance
- 2005 Alice Springs, NT Prince Charles Royal Visit to Alice Springs- Dance Performance Welcome
- 2005 Alice Springs, NT Festival of the Desert - Papunya Womens Dance Performance
- 2004 Ngurratjuta Art Centre, Alice Springs NT Opening of Ngurratjuta Art Centre - Dance Performance
- 2003 Araluen Art and Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob Exhibition 2003 Araluen Art & Cultural Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob Exhibition - Papunya Womens Dance Performance



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## Collections

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## Awards

- 2008 Finalist – Telstra NATSIA Award