

Short St. Gallery



Lynette Lewis

Birth Year	1979
Language Group	Pitjantjatjara
Region	APY Lands

Lynette began her art when she was an Aboriginal Arts Worker at Ernabella Arts at the start of 2015 when her children were in their final years of school. Prior to this, Lynette had made tjanpi (weaving) at home and years earlier had created a suite of prints at the art centre.

In mid-2015 Lynette participated in two workshops, leading up to the exhibition at Sabbia Gallery - Yangupala Tjuta Waakarinyi (Many Young People Working). She then attended the Australian Ceramics Triennale in Canberra with three other artists and demonstrated at the Sabbia Gallery exhibition that toured to the Australian National Botanical Gardens Gallery.

In late 2015 Lynette participated in a contemporary jewellery workshop with jeweller Mel Young at Ernabella as part of the Indigenous Jewellery Project. She created exceptional resin and traditional seed necklaces during the workshop, which were exhibited at Whistlewood, Victoria in March 2016. In 2016 Lynette was also selected as a finalist in the National Contemporary Jewellery Award at Griffith Regional Gallery.

In mid-2016 Lynette worked alongside seven women potters to create a collaborative ceramics installation for the Indigenous Ceramics Art Award at the Shepparton Art Museum, Victoria in August 2016.

In 2016, Lynette's work was acquired for the National Museum of Australia's collection.

In 2017 her work was presented in 'Clay Stories: Contemporary Indigenous ceramics from remote Australia' at Sabbia Gallery, Sydney. The exhibition began its national tour at JamFactory in Adelaide for the Tamanthi: Festival of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art.



Her first solo exhibition was titled Mara ninti: Clever hands - Liritja (necklaces) by Lynette Lewis and was presented at Craft ACT in November 2017.

Since then, Lynette's work has appeared in exhibitions across Australia and internationally, including the 'Hold our connection to country strong for malatja-malatja (future generations)' exhibition at Aboriginal Signature gallery in Brussels in 2018 and then again in Nganampa ngura-nguru nyurampa ngurakutu (From our place to your place) at Aboriginal Signature in 2020.

In 2019 Lynette's ceramic artwork was inspired by milpatjunanyi, drawing stories in the sand, was a finalist for the Ravenswood Women's Prize. She was also a finalist in the 2019 NATSIAA Telstra Awards.

Lynette's mother Atipalku is a senior artist. Her sisters Michelle and Langaliki and her brother Jeffrey also work as painters, and her father Adrian Intjalki was an established punu (timber) artist. Today, Lynnette's daughter, Jayanna Andy is an emerging ceramics artist.

Solo Exhibitions

2017 Craft ACT - Mara ninti: Clever hands - Liritja (necklaces) by Lynette Lewis

Group Exhibitions

2024 2024	Aboriginal Signature, Bruxelles, Belgium - Tribute to Our Elders Artitja Fine Art, South Fremantle - Mantanguru From the Sand
2023	IDAIA, Paris, France - Songlines, Peintures Aborigènes du Désert Australien /
0000	Songlines, Aboriginal Paintingsfrom the Australian Desert
2023	Sabbia Gallery, Sydney, NSW - Nganampa Tjukurpa Nganampa Ara: Our Story Our Way
2023	JamFactory Craft and Design Centre, Adelaide, SA - Ernabella Arts: Ceramic Warka Wiru 20 Years-kutu - 20Years of Creating Ceramics
2023	Everywhen Artspace, Mornington Peninsular, VC - Piryakatu - Springtime
2023	Sydney Contemporary, Sydney, NSW - Next Gen Ernabella
2023	Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs, NT - Desert Mob
2023	Sturt Gallery, Mittagong, NSW - Terra Nova - 70 Years of Sturt Pottery
2023	Michael Reid, Berlin, Germany - Kungkarangkalpa: Seven Sisters
2023	International Museum of Dinnerware Design, Ann Arbor, USA - Entomophagous Dining (Eating Insects)
2023	Aboriginal Signature, Bruxelles, Belgium - Caress the Earth II : Manta Ngura Atuntju Kanyini II
2022	Artitja Fine Art Gallery, South Fremantle, WA - Inuntji Putitja – Desert Colours



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2022	Everywhen Artspace, Mornington Peninsular, VIC - Ernabella-ku Tjukurpa : Stories from Ernabella
2022	Araleun Arts Centre, Alice Springs, NT - Desert Mob 2022
2022	Yaama Ganu Gallery, Moree, NSW - Mina-ka Malangka : After the Rain
2022	Aboriginal Signature, Brussels, Belgium - Profundity - Art from the APY Lands
2022	Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA – Manta Tjula – Soft Earth
2021	Sabbia Gallery, Sydney, NSW - Family: Walytja-pit
2021	Aboriginal Signature, Bruxelles, Belgium - Caress the Earth: Manta Ngura Atuntju Kanyini
2021	York, WA - Spring Salon (Artitja Fine Art)
2021	Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA - Desert Creatures
2021	Outstation, Darwin, NT - Ernabella Arts Group Exhibition
2021	Talapi Gallery, Alice Springs, NT - Flying Colours
2021	Artitja Fine Art Gallery, South Fremantle, WA - Ananyi Nyurakutu- Going Home
2021	Artigan ine Art Gallery, South Friemannie, WA - Analyn Nydrakutu- Coing home Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide, SA - Tarnarthi Aboriginal and Torres
2020	Strait Islander Art: Open Hands
2020	Strait Stander Art. Open Hands Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA - Nganampa Tjukurpa Ananyi Wilurara (Our
2020	Short Street Gallery, broome, wa - nganampa njuku pa ananyi wilurara (Oui Stories Going West)
2020	Aboriginal Contemporary, Sydney, NSW - Nganampa Tjukurpa Ananyi Kakarara
	(Our Stories Going East)
2020	Aboriginal Signature, Brussels, Belguim - Nganampa ngura-nguru nyurampa
	ngurakutu (From our place to your place)
2020	Aboriginal Bush Traders, Darwin, NT - Bush Bling 2020
2019	Sabbia Gallery, Sydney, NSW - Together we tell our stories: Indigenous Glass,
2010	Ceramics, Fibre + Canvas
2019	Aboriginal Contemporary, Sydney, NSW - Ernabella Arts: Small Ceramics
2019	Salon Project Space, Parap, NT - Stoneware from the Desert
2019	Everywhen Space, McCulloch and McCulloch, VIC - ReGeneration: Showing,
2010	teaching, passing down
2019	APY Art Centre Collective, Adelaide, SA - Milpatjunanyi
2019	Talapi Gallery, Alice Springs, NT - Desert Colour featuring Ernabella ceramics
	Heide Museum of Modern Art, Bulleen, VIC - An Idea Needing to be Made:
2019	
0010	Contemporary Ceramics
2019	APY Collective Gallery, Adelaide, SA - Uwankara Tjungu (all in)
2019	Ravenswood, Sydney - Ravenswood Australian Womens Art Prize
2019	Nishi Gallery, Canberra ACT - Berder. Gaba. Urrknga. Wantja.
2019	Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA - Anangu uwankara tjunguringkula pukulpa
	nyinama I Anangu happily sitting and working together
2018	Aboriginal Signature, Brussels, Belguim - Hold our connection to country strong
	for malatja-malatja (future generations)
2018	Alcaston Gallery, Melbourne, Vic - Art from the APY Art Centre Collective
2018	Sabbia Gallery - Something Blue



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- 2017 Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs NT Desert Mob 2017
- 2017 Short Street Gallery, Broome, WA Spirited Kurunitja
- 2017 Nomad Art, Darwin NT Our Country in Clay
- 2017 Hazelhurst Regional Gallery, Sydney, NSW Nganampa Kililpi Kuwartija Tjuta pakani: Our Rising Stars II
- 2017 Sabbia Gallery, Sydney NSW Clay Stories: Indigenous ceramics from remote Australia
- 2016 Hazelhurst Regional Gallery & Arts Centre Nganampa Kililpil: Our Stars
- 2016 Stanley Street Gallery, Sydney, NSW Borne Sculpture for the body
- 2016 Talapi Gallery, Alice Springs NT Desert Colour
- 2016 Shepparton Art Museum Indigenous Ceramics Art Award 2016
- 2016 Charles Darwin University Gallery Salon de Refuse
- 2016 Sabbia Gallery, Paddington NSW Pukatjalanguru kungka tjuta kunpu warkarinytja | Ernabella women: strong work, together
- 2016 Signal Point Gallery Malpa Wiru
- 2016 Northern Centre for Contemporary Art ARTMART 2016: Resin, Rubber and Other Potent Means
- 2016 Whistlewood, Shoreham, VIC Launch Exhibition, The Indigenous Jewellery Project + Autumn Salon
- 2015 Lion Gate Lodge, The Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney Artisans in the Gardens
- 2015 Sabbia Gallery, Paddington NSW Yangupala Tjuta Waakarinyi (Many Young People Working)

Awards

- Finalist Stanhope Art Prize
 Winner Emerging Indigenous Artist Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize
 Finalist National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award
 Finalist Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize
 Finalist National Contemporary Jewellery Award at Griffith Regional Gallery
- 2010 Highly Commended Finalist in the NATSIAA Telstra Awards, Museum and Art Gallery Northern Territory, Darwin

Bibliography

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Collections

JANET HOLMES À COURT COLLECTION NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIA, 2016

