



Birth Date	1938
Birth Place	Haasts Bluff, NT
Language/s	Luritja
Community	Papunya : NT
Country	Papunya, NT
Dreaming	Kapi Tjukurrpa (water dreaming)

## Mona Nangala

### Biography

Mona Nangala was born in Haasts Bluff/Ikuntji and has been painting at Papunya Tjupi Arts since 2011. Initially she painted her Women's Story, although in recent years Mona has been focusing on her own unique expressions of *Kapi Tjukurrpa* (Water Dreaming) with *tali* (sandhill).

In her works, Mona draws inspiration from the natural designs of *tali*, which forms waves across the desert, predominating the country around Papunya. Mona uses lines to represent *Kapi Tjukurrpa* and dotting to represent *Mangarri Tjuta* (all the bush tucker). Mona varies the sizing, spacing and colourings of the dotting and linework across her canvasses and her choice of palette allows for sophisticated shifts in colours and tones in each canvas.

Finalist in the Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize (2019) her works are increasingly sought after by national and international private collectors.

### Group Exhibitions

2020	Desert Mob 2020 Exhibition : Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs
2020	Ngurrangka palyanu – making from home : Outstation Gallery, Darwin
2020	Papunya Tjupi Arts 2020 : Honey Ant Gallery, Sydney
2019	Kuwarritja – now / newness : Outstation Gallery, Darwin.
2019	Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize, Finalist Exhibition : Ravenswood School for Girls, Gordon, NSW
2019	About Country : Talapi, Alice Springs, NT
2019	Back To The Desert — Neue Werke Von Papunya Tjupi Arts : ARTKELCH - Contemporary Aboriginal Art, Germany
2019	Kungka mankurrapakunu warrka : Aboriginal and Pacific Art
2019	Stories from the Beginning : Honey Ant Gallery, Sydney
2018	Tjupi Boards: Kulinyi Tjilpi Tjutanya : RAFT Artspace, Alice Springs
2018	Desert Mob Exhibition 2018 : Araluen Art Centre, Alice Springs
2018	Inyani Mantakutu – Light Becomes Sand : Outstation Gallery, Darwin
2018	Ngayuku: Belonging : Aboriginal and Pacific Art Gallery, Sydney
2018	Papunya Tjupi Works 2018 : Honey Ant Gallery with Incinerator Art Space, Sydney.
2018	Papunya Tjupi: New Work : JGM Art, London UK

- 2018** A Sense of Place 2018 : McCulloch & McCulloch Whistlewood Gallery, Shoreham VIC
- 2017** Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair 2017 : Darwin, NT
- 2017** Puri: New Shade : Outstation Gallery, Darwin
- 2017** Papunya Tjupi Arts : The Incinerator, Willoughby, Sydney
- 2016** Dont you tell me... : Art Kelch, Freiburg, Germany
- 2016** Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair : Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin
- 2016** Malpa Wiru: Good Friends : Signal Point, Goolwa, SA
- 2016** Keepers of Place: New Works from Papunya Tjupi : McCulloch & McCulloch, 45Downstairs, Melbourne
- 2016** Papunya Tjupi Arts : The Incinerator, Willoughby, Sydney
- 2015** Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair : Darwin Convention Centre, Darwin
- 2015** Kungka Tjupi: New work from the women of Papunya Tjupi : Outstation Gallery, Darwin

**Awards**

- 2019** Ravenswood Australian Women's Art Prize, Finalist