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**Welcome to our November newsletter** - another year almost over. Unbelievable. A year which continues with successful exhibitions and no sooner will we be taking our Munupi show down, we will be back at Earlywork in December with our popular GIFT COLLECTION: Art + Object show, more about that later.

### MUNUPI ARTISTS OF MELVILLE ISLAND continues until Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November

If you haven't yet visited our current exhibition of the Munupi artists of Melville Island, **there is still this weekend to do so**, or for those of you overseas and interstate - the exhibition can be found online at [www.artitja.com.au](http://www.artitja.com.au)



Opening night was very special with the presence of Nina Puruntatameri and Francesca Puruntatameri who performed a welcome ceremony 'yoi' and our special guest Jennifer Isaacs who flew in from Sydney to open the exhibition and talk about Tiwi art and culture. Some photographs follow :

*Nina and Francesca Puruntatameri performing 'yoi', Jennifer Isaacs AM opening the show and interested opening night guests.*





Justin's importance to the history of his culture and people is such that a documentary is currently being made about him, and he is very active in the local school teaching the younger children their language, so it does not get lost or forgotten.

Justin decided only last year in 2010 to begin painting and translating his cultural knowledge and markings onto canvas.

We are delighted that a work of Justin Puruntatameri's from the exhibition has been acquired into the Holmes A Court collection.

### Munupi Artists exhibition highlights:

Nina was delighted that the largest work she has painted in her long artistic career sold prior to opening and will be going to the USA. It inspired her to begin another large work upon her return.

Below: *Kulama Design 244x183cm by Nina Puruntatameri SOLD*



Below: *Justin Puruntatameri 'Tiwi Map' 120x80cm \$2700*



A feature of the exhibition is the art of octogenarian Justin Puruntatameri. At 86 he is the most respected culture man on the Tiwi Islands and one of the few who can still speak the very old Tiwi dialect.

### NEW PAINTINGS

We are constantly getting new works in – here are a few of our latest:



*Kathleen Ngale 120x90cm Bush Plum \$3500*



*Selina Teece 90x90cm Gum Leaves \$2200*



Kukula McDonald 61x46 \$890

### ARTITJA – THE GIFT COLLECTION: Art + Objects: small and affordable

This popular end of year exhibition returns in December at 330 South Terrace in South Fremantle.

We have been getting together an exciting range of quality paintings, jewellery, cushion covers and selected works that make great gifts for your loved ones or just yourself.

This year we have some fabulous Mimi Spirit carvings as well as our Utopia carvings, and new small weaves by Janine McAullay Bott.

Books, diaries, blank journals and 2012 Calendars will be available, as well as these small figurative works from central desert artists.



Nora Campbell 26x21cm



Cora Meruntju 30x23cm

Your invitation will be sent closer to the time, but in order to put the dates in your diary, we will be opening on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December and continuing daily until the 24<sup>th</sup> December.

### OTHER THINGS

Bush Sculptor Janine McAullay Bott's work is still on exhibition at Coeee Gallery in Sydney. The exhibition is being held in association with Artitja Fine Art and Janine flew in for the opening at which she conducted a workshop. If you are in Sydney, do get along to the gallery in Lamrock Avenue, Bondi.

If not, the exhibition can be viewed online on Coeee's website.



### ARTITJA NOW ON FACEBOOK

Artitja Fine Art is now on facebook, and we invite you to become our friend.

Arthur and I pride ourselves on our flexibility for appointments to view when we aren't exhibiting in South Terrace.

We are available every day, just a phone call away on 08 9336 7787 or Anna 0418 900 954, and email [info@artitja.com.au](mailto:info@artitja.com.au). We are constantly updating our website with new images and invite you to visit it [www.artitja.com.au](http://www.artitja.com.au)

We hope you enjoyed reading this newsletter and we look forward to seeing and/or hearing from you soon.



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