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Peggy Griffiths

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Age 68 years
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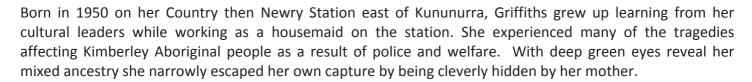
Language Miriwoong

Country Newry Station, N.T

Dreaming Morning Star

Domicile WA/NT border, Keep River National Park

Biography



At sixteen Peggy married her promised husband, Alan Griffiths and began working alongside him at Waringarri Aboriginal Arts in 1985, carving and painting boab nuts and artefacts. She progressed to ochre painting on canvas and working with limited edition prints. She is the first Indigenous artist to win the prestigious *Fremantle Print Award* in 1995. Today she is a highly respected elder and artist awarded the *Kimberley Art Award* in 2014 with works in national and international public and private collections. Her work was included in the prestigious *Art Stage Singapore* 2015 and Griffiths was recently granted a Department of Culture and the Arts Fellowship to pursue her new interest in ceramics.

Solo Exhibitions

2011 "Peggy Griffiths" Seva Frangos Art Perth WA

2008 "West meets East - Peggy Griffiths" Seva Frangos Art Perth WA

2005 "Dreaming the Spinifex" Seva Frangos Art @ Span Galleries Melbourne VIC

Group Exhibitions

2017	Yirrib – Together, Peggy and Jan Griffiths, JamFactory, Adelaide, SA
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2017 The Hadley Art Award, Hadley Orient Hotel, Hobart, TAS

2017 When the Sky Fell: Legacies from the 1967 Referendum, Perth Institute of Contemporary Art, Perth WA

2016 Community Invitation Art Award, City of Joondalup, Lakeside Shopping City, Joondalup WA

2016 Salon16, Charles Darwin University, Darwin N.T.

2016 "Birrgamibging Merndam – Things Made on Paper", Tunbridge Gallery, Perth WA

2015 Art Stage Singapore Mossenson Galleries Singapore

2014 Belle Arti Prize, Chapman and Bailey Melbourne VIC

2014 In the Saddle, On the Wall, Australia wide travelling exhibition Kimberley Aboriginal Artists

2013 Traversing Borders; art from the Kimberley Queensland University of Technology Art Museum, Brisbane QLD

2013 The Calleen Art Award, Cowra Regional Art Gallery. NSW



2013	Our Living Land Air Exhibition of Leading Artists from the Last Kimberley, Of OTO ANAIT Gailery, Shanghai, China	
2013	"Our Living Land" An Exhibition of Leading Artists from the East Kimberley, Salvo Hotel, Shanghai, China	
2013	The 2013 Sulman Prize, Art Gallery of NSW	
2012	"Sharing Difference on Common Ground" Bunbury Regional Art Galleries, Bunbury	
2012	"Sharing Difference on Common Ground" The Cannery Arts Centre, Esperence	
2012	"Sharing Difference on Common Ground" Geraldton Regional Art Gallery, Geraldton	
2011	"Sharing Difference on Common Ground" Alcoa Mandurah Art Gallery, Mandurah	
2010	" Sharing Difference on Common Ground 2" CCAE Darwin NT	
2010	"Small Presents Big Presence - 8 Artists 100 Artworks" Seva Frangos Art Perth WA	
2009	"Best of the Best" Framed Gallery Darwin NT	
2009	"Sharing Difference on Common Ground" Holmes A Court Gallery Perth WA	
2009	"Alan & Peggy Griffiths" Short Street Gallery Broome WA	
2009	"First and Second Generation Artists from Waringarri Aboriginal Arts and Warmun Art Centre" Seva Frangos Art Perth WA	
2008	"Kimberley Ink" Northern Editions Darwin NT	
2008	"Celebration" Seva Frangos Art Perth WA	
2008	"Kimberley Ink and Ochre" Wollongong University NSW	
2006	"Belonging, Dancing, Walking" Seva Frangos Art @ Span Galleries Melbourne VIC	
2005	"When Waringarri Came to Town" Woolloongabba Art Gallery Brisbane QLD	
2004	"Waringarri 3 Women" Framed Gallery Darwin NT	
2004	Kimberley Focus - Alan and Peggy Griffiths Perth International Arts Festival Perth WA	
2003	"National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award" Museum and Art Gallery of Northern Territory Darwin NT	
2003	"East Kimberley Art" Short St Gallery Broome WA	
2002	"Heyson Prize" Adelaide SA	
2002	" Love Your Work - 30 Year Exhibition" Fremantle Arts Centre Perth WA	
2002	"Warrgebarenkoo" Fremantle Arts Centre Perth WA	
2002	"Kimberley Ochre" Red Rock Art at Cullen Bay NT	
2001	"Groundwork" Fremantle Arts Centre Perth WA	
2000	"National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award" Museum and Art Gallery of Northern Territory Darwin NT	
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1999	"East Kimberley Art Award" Kununurra WA	
1997	"East Kimberley Art Award" Kununurra WA	
1995	Fremantle Print Award Perth WA	
Themes		
Traditional Country of her father and grandfather		

"Our Living Land" An Exhibition of Leading Artists from the East Kimberley, OFOTO ANART Gallery, Shanghai, China

Collections

2013

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUE OF ABORIGINAL AND TORRES ISLANDER STUDIES COLLECTION

ARTBANK AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN EQUITY - KERRY STOKES COLLECTION

CHURCH GALLERY ART ANGELS

CITY OF SOUTH PERTH COLLECTION WA

EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY

FREMANTLE ARTS COLLECTION

GALLERY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Collections

HOLMES A COURT COLLECTION PERTH WA

KIMBERLEY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION COLLECTION

KLUGE RUHE ABORIGINALART COLLECTION VIRGINIA USA

NATIONAL GALLERY OF AUSTRALIA

OCHRE HEALTH CENTRE - BUSH MEDECINE WALL

PARLIAMENT HOUSE COLLECTION CANBERRA ACT

PARLIAMENT HOUSE COLLECTION PERTH WA

ROYAL PERTH HOSPITAL COLLECTION

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY COLLECTION SYDNEY NSW

UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG COLLECTION

WESFARMERS COLLECTION

ZHONGFU GROUP COLLECTION

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING, GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Bibliography

2008 "Walking Dancing Belonging" Documentary - Mitch Torres Original Pitjas

2009 "Sharing Difference on Common Ground" Exhibition Catalogue

2012 "A Working Life from Station to Studio" Documentary - Beth Neate ABC Open

2013 "Our Living Land" Exhibition Catalogue

Awards

2017 Finalist – The Hadley Art Award, Hobart TAS

2016 Fellowship – Department of Culture and the Arts, WA

2016 Finalist, Community Invitation Art Award, City of Joondalup, Joondalup WA

2014 Kimberley Art Award

1995 Fremantle Print Award