

Kathleen Donnegan

Pitjantjatjara language group

Western Desert region

Unpun

Not dated

Acrylic on linen

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Betty Kuntiwa Pumani

Pitjantjatjara and Yankunytjatjara language groups
Southern Desert region

Antara

2015

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Regina Wilson

Ngan'gikurrungurr language group
Peppimenarti, Northern Territory

Wapun (Sun Mat)

2016

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Women's Collaborative (Tjungkara Ken, Yaritji Young, Freda Brady, Maringka Tunkin, and Sandra Ken)

Pitjantjatjara language group
Apy Lands, Southern Australia

Seven Sisters

2016

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Tjungkara Ken, Yaritji Young, Freda Brady, Maringka Tunkin, and Sandra Ken have collaborated to depict the Seven Sisters Story—a Tjukurpa Story (Creation Story) about the constellations of Pleiades and Orion. The sisters are the constellation of Pleiades and the other star, Orion, is Nyiru, a bad or lusty man. Nyiru is forever chasing the sisters with the hope of marrying the eldest sister.

The seven sisters travel repeatedly from sky to earth in order to escape Nyiru's unwanted attentions. They also transform into their human form to escape from the persistent Nyiru, but he always finds them, and flee back to the sky. As Nyiru is chasing the sisters, he tries to catch them by using magic

to turn himself into the most tempting bush tomatoes for the sisters to eat, and the most beautiful fig tree for them to camp under. However, the sisters are too clever for Nyiru and outwit him as they are knowledgeable about his magic. They go hungry, and run through the night rather than be caught by Nyiru. From time to time, one of the sisters fall victim to his ways. It is said that he eventually captures the youngest sister, but with the help of the oldest sister, she escapes back to her sisters who are waiting for her. Eventually the sisters fly back into the sky to escape Nyiru, thus reforming the constellation.

Yukulti Napangati

Pintupi language group

Kiwirrkurra, Western Australia

Untitled

2014

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Ningura Napurrula

Pintupi language group

Kintore, Western Desert region

Untitled

2008

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Pumani Collaborative (Betty Kuntiwa Pumani and Marina Brown)

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Antara

2015

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Betty Kuntiwa Pumani

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Maku Tjukurpa (Witchetty Grub Story)

2010

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Betty Kuntiwa Pumani

Antara

2015

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**Women's Collaborative
(Carlene West, Estelle Hogan,
Anne Hogan, Yarangka Thomas,
Kathleen Donnegan, Tjaruwa
Woods, and Debbie Hansen)**

Nganampa Ngura

Not dated

Acrylic on canvas

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