



Koskela Gallery presents

Ngarang (small): little barks from the Top End



A collection of works by Maningrida Arts,
Marrawuddi Arts, Bula'Bula Arts & Injalak Arts



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Koskela Gallery is excited to present, *Ngarang (small): little barks from the Top End*. *Ngarang* is a collaborative exhibition, featuring a collection of miniature bark artworks depicting cultural stories and designs from three art centres in Australia's Top End – Maningrida Arts & Culture, Injalak Arts, Marrawuddi Arts and Bula'Bula Arts. This exhibition is available online and showing at our North Sydney store from 11th March – 16th April, 2023.

For millennia, clan designs have been painted on bodies and ceremonial objects. In the twentieth century, these designs were painted on Stringy bark expressing the beauty and power of their culture and becoming highly collected art forms.

Koskela's latest exhibition *Ngarang (small)* is an exhibition of these beautiful barks in a miniature form by artists from Art Centres that span the Top End region.



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– The Process

Bark is a versatile medium both traditionally and in the contemporary art space. It can be stretched, whittled, carved and fused into cloth – a natural and wild canvas. Collecting and preparing the bark is not as easy as grabbing a canvas from the art supplies store!

The bark of the Stringybark tree is used and must be free of knots and other blemishes. It is best cut from the tree after the wet season when the sap is rising. Two horizontal slices and a single vertical slice are made into the tree, and the bark is carefully peeled off with the aid of a sharpened tool. Only the inner smooth bark is kept and placed in a fire. After heating in the fire, the bark is flattened under foot and weighted with stones or logs to dry flat. Once dry, it is ready to paint on.

Not only is this exhibition a vibrant articulation of artistic expression, latent in cultural stories, but by using bark as their medium, every element of the exhibition is hand-made and prepared by the artists. A very beautiful and resourceful way to create.





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Namarnkol (Barramundi)

ART-INJ-2960-22

Injalak
Ilonia Namirriki
Acrylic on Bark
18cm x 48cm
Price: \$300.00



Billabong Scene

ART-INJ-2961-22

Injalak
Ilonia Namirriki
Acrylic on Bark
19cm x 66cm
Price: \$300.00



Lorrkon

ART-INJ-2027-22

Injalak
Joey Nganjmirra
Acrylic on Bark
22cm x 37cm
Price: \$250.00



Namarddakka (Nail Fish)

ART-INJ-2001-22

Injalak
Michael Naborlhborlh
Acrylic on Bark
10cm x 30cm
Price: \$150.00



Djenj (Fish)

ART-INJ-2068-22

Injalak
Johnathon Yarndjarn Garnarradj
Acrylic on Bark
12cm x 25cm
Price: \$150.00



Djenj (Fish)

ART-INJ-2069-22

Injalak
Johnathon Yarndjarn Garnarradj
Acrylic on Bark
10cm x 30cm
Price: \$150.00



Saw Fish, Nail Fish and Barramundi

ART-INJ-2087-22

Injalak
Michael Naborlhborlh
Acrylic on Bark
54cm x 10cm
Price: \$200.00



Long Neck Turtle & File Snake

ART-INJ-2096-22

Injalak
Ina Garnarradj
Acrylic on Bark
22cm x 45cm
Price: \$200.00



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Ngarderrhwo (Snapping/Shortneck turtle)

ART-INJ-2609-22

Injalak
Don Nakidilinj Namundja

Acrylic on Bark

19cm x 33cm

Price: \$400.00



Yawkyawk (Water Spirit)

ART-INJ-1250-21

Injalak
Shadrack Patlas

Acrylic on Bark

47cm x 19cm

Price: \$150.00



Karrbarda (Long Yam)

ART-INJ-233-22

Injalak
Moses Wurrkidj

Acrylic on Bark

11cm x 39cm

Price: \$150.00



Karrbarda (Long Yam)

ART-INJ-234-22

Injalak
Moses Wurrkidj

Acrylic on Bark

10cm x 39cm

Price: \$150.00



Djenj (Fish)

ART-INJ-343-22

Injalak
Shaun Namarnyilk

Acrylic on Bark

12cm x 45cm

Price: \$200.00



Namarnkol (Barramundi)

ART-INJ-1521-22

Injalak
Shaun Namarnyilk

Acrylic on Bark

12cm x 27cm

Price: \$150.00



Djenj (Fish)

ART-INJ-1877-22

Injalak
Ina Garnarradj

Acrylic on Bark

18cm x 48cm

Price: \$150.00



Namarnkol (Barramundi)

ART-INJ-2017-22

Injalak
Lorraine Namarnyilk

Acrylic on Bark

21cm x 59cm

Price: \$350.00



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Mayhmayh (Bird)
ART-INJ-290-23
Injalak
Artist Graham Badari
Acrylic on Bark
20cm x 41cm
Price: \$400.00



Mayhmayh (Bird)
ART-INJ-431-23
Injalak
Gerred Nabulwad
Acrylic on Bark
20cm x 41cm
Price: \$200.00



Lorrkon
ART-INJ-430-23
Injalak
Joey Nganjmirra
Acrylic on Bark
20cm x 41cm
Price: \$200.00





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Maningrida Arts & Culture

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Untitled
ART-MAN-268-21
Maningrida
Paul Nabulumo Namarinjmak
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
85cm x 16cm
Price: \$425.00



Untitled
ART-MAN-459-22
Maningrida
Francis Garwun Rankin
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
57cm x 25cm
Price: \$200.00



Waterfall at Kubumi
ART-MAN-748-22
Maningrida
Paul Nabulumo Namarinjmak
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
69cm x 35cm
Price: \$700.00



Djenj
ART-MAN-821-22
Maningrida
Manasseh Namunjaja
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
17cm x 33cm
Price: \$150.00



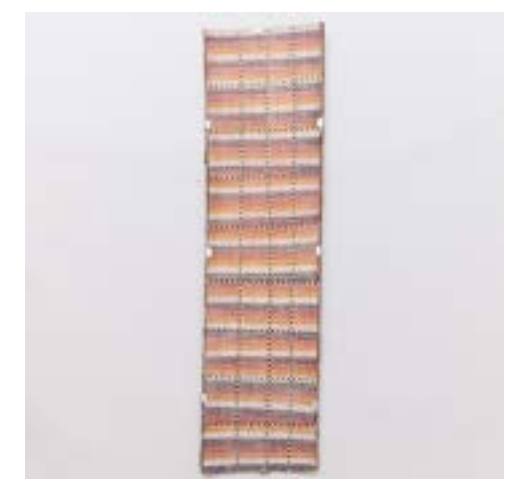
Crocodile Eggs
ART-MAN-855-22
Maningrida
Thomas Baru
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
91cm x 26cm
Price: \$500.00



Wak Wak
ART-MAN-1146-22
Maningrida
Ken Ngindjalakku Djungkidj
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
97cm x 20cm
Price: \$360.00



Fresh Water Saratoga
ART-MAN-2208-22
Maningrida
Charlie Nangukwirrk Nanguqwerr
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
66cm x 30cm
Price: \$300.00



Wak Wak
ART-MAN-2290-22
Maningrida
Pam Wurrkidj
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
96cm x 25cm
Price: \$700.00

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Djenj
ART-MAN-2290-22
Maningrida
Zipporah Nanguwerr
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
79cm x 14cm
Price: \$240.00



Waterholes (Kubumi)
ART-MAN-110-23
Maningrida
Paul Nabulumo Namarinjmak
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
39cm x 40cm
Price: \$480.00



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Bula'Bula Arts

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Mewal
ART-BUL-896-23
Bula Bula
JB Fisher
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
66cm x 35cm
Price: \$800.00



Marrngu (Possum)
ART-BUL-1048-22
Bula Bula
JB Fisher
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
44cm x 15cm
Price: \$260.00



Marrngu (Possum)
ART-BUL-1049-22
Bula Bula
JB Fisher
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
48cm x 17cm
Price: \$260.00



Wuldulbal/badju (bream)
ART-BUL-1071-22
Bula Bula
JB Fisher
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
43cm x 14cm
Price: \$200.00



Narrgi'narrgi (possum-sugar glider)
ART-BUL-1073-22
Bula Bula
JB Fisher
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
42cm x 14cm
Price: \$200.00



Mewal
ART-BUL-1101-22
Bula Bula
JB Fisher
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
65cm x 32cm
Price: \$800.00



Sugar bag (honey) story
ART-BUL-1102-22
Bula Bula
JB Fisher
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
70cm x 30cm
Price: \$800.00



Wuldulbal/badju (bream)
ART-BUL-1146-22
Bula Bula
JB Fisher
Acrylic/Ochre on Bark
66cm x 25cm
Price: \$580.00





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Marrawuddi Arts & Culture

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Artist Design
ART-MAR-1815-22
Marrawuddi
Clarrie Nadjamerrek
Acrylic on Bark
40cm x 14cm
Price: \$229.00



Wak Wak (Crow)
ART-MAR-1397-22
Marrawuddi
Carissa Gurwalwal
Acrylic on Bark
54cm x 20cm
Price: \$229.00



Wak Wak (Crow)
ART-MAR-3588-21
Marrawuddi
Roberta (Yulyulmarra) Wurrkidj
Acrylic on Bark
38cm x 13cm
Price: \$257.00



Wak Wak (Crow)
ART-MAR-2662-22
Marrawuddi
Johnan Dooley
Acrylic on Bark
50cm x 7cm
Price: \$150.00



Wak Wak (Crow)
ART-MAR-1929-22
Marrawuddi
Pam Wurrkidj
Acrylic on Bark
67cm x 26cm
Price: \$449.00



Wak Wak (Crow)
ART-MAR-1365-22
Marrawuddi
Eleazer Nangukwirrk
Acrylic on Bark
51cm x 15cm
Price: \$153.00



Waterhole at Yikarrakkal
ART-MAR-2654-22
Marrawuddi
Jill Namundja
Acrylic on Bark
40cm x 13cm
Price: \$360.00



Wak Wak (Crow)
ART-MAR-1600-22
Marrawuddi
Eleazer Nangukwirrk
Acrylic on Bark
54cm x 12cm
Price: \$150.00



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Waterhole at Yikarrakkal
ART-MAR-2653-22
Marrawuddi
Jill Namundja
Acrylic on Bark
37cm x 17cm
Price: \$360.00



Wak Wak (Crow)
ART-MAR-2143-22
Marrawuddi
Johnan Dooley
Acrylic on Bark
49cm x 12cm
Price: \$315.00



Wak Wak (Crow)
ART-MAR-828-22
Marrawuddi
Carissa Gurwalwal
Acrylic on Bark
44cm x 15cm
Price: \$240.00



Artist Design
ART-MAR-1811-22
Marrawuddi
Clarrie Nadjamerrek
Acrylic on Bark
40cm x 21cm
Price: \$240.00



Waterhole at Dilebang
ART-MAR-891-22
Marrawuddi
Ruth Bindeibal
Acrylic on Bark
44.5cm x 10cm
Price: \$240.00



Wak Wak (crow)
ART-MAR-2341-22
Marrawuddi
Carissa Gurwalwal
Acrylic on Bark
55cm x 25cm
Price: \$273.00



Artist Design
ART-MAR-1814-22
Marrawuddi
Clarrie Nadjamerrek
Acrylic on Bark
43cm x 14cm
Price: \$229.00



Thank you

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