



The Sandover Highway

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Ampilatwatja is a community 325km north east of Alice Springs. The community lies on Aherreng country, the land of the Alyawarr people. Ampilatwatja is administered by the Barkly Regional Council and is within the Utopia Aboriginal homeland. Ampilatwatja is surrounded by Amaroo station to the east and south and Elkedra station to the north. (The actor Jack Thompson jackarooed on Elkedra during the early 1960s.)On which many of the men have worked as stockmen over the years. Many families have connections right along the Sandover Highway, all the way to Lake Nash in Queensland and Murray Downs and Tennant Creek further north. The art centre is at the heart of the community, where mainly women paint bush medicine which contributes to the preservation of traditional culture.

Nick Osmond is currently employed in the Art Centre at Ampilatwatja and this exhibition celebrates the people living & working within that community.

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Mr Bird

Acrylic on Canvas 58 x 55 cm Unframed

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Breakfast at the Art Centre

Acrylic on Canvas 64 x 53 cm Unframed

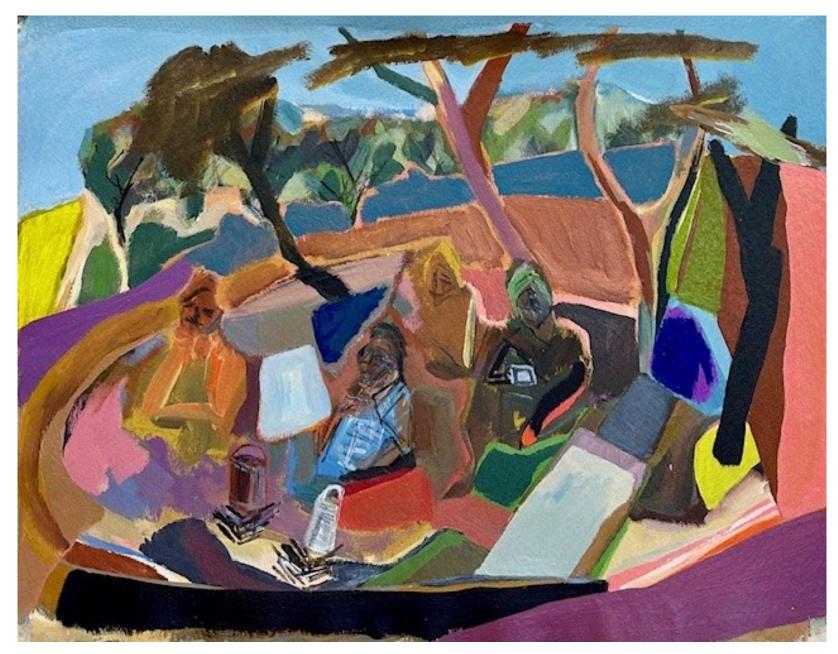
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Making Damper in the Art Centre

Acrylic on Canvas 65 x 50 cm Unframed \$900

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Tea Break on Elkedra Station

Acrylic on Canvas 52 x 73 cm Unframed \$900

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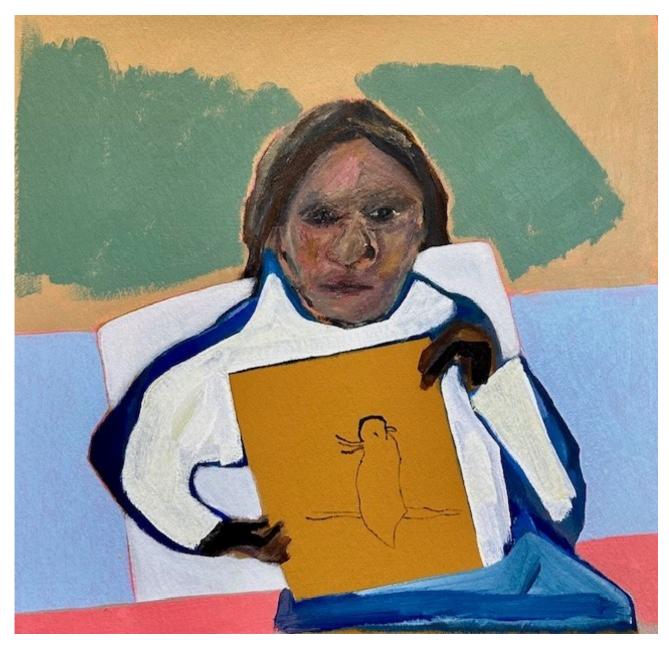
Diabetes

Acrylic on Canvas

67 x 53 cm

Unframed

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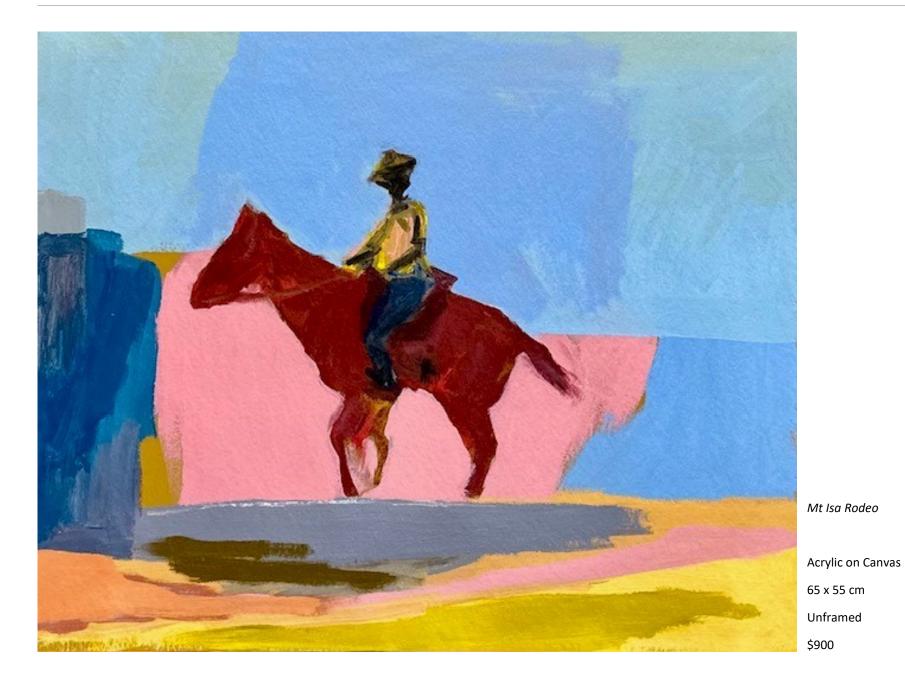
Doing Time in Alice Springs

Acrylic on Canvas

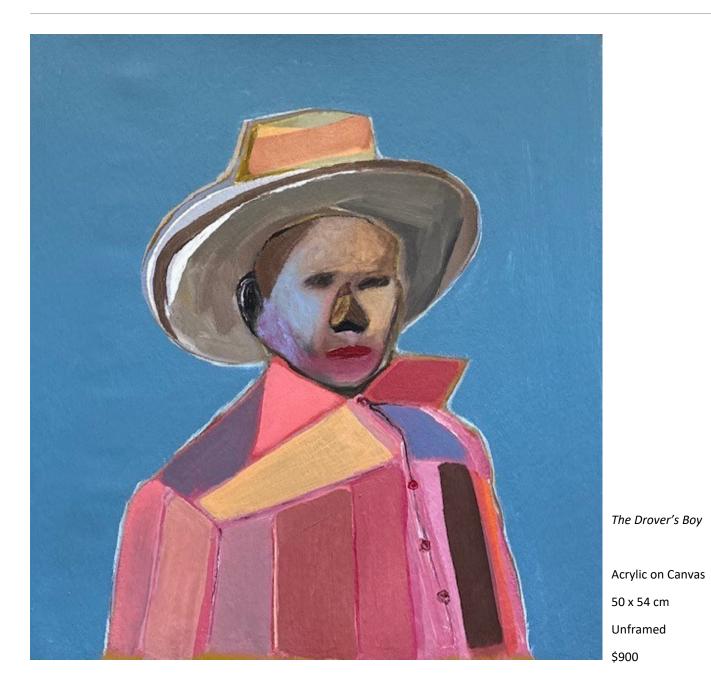
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Our First Bush Trip

Acrylic on Canvas

50 x 55 cm

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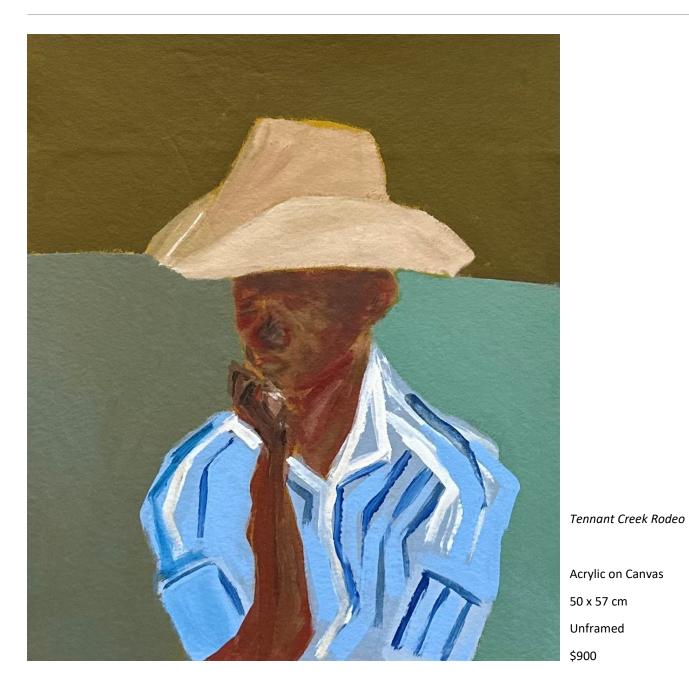
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Hunting on Amaroo Station

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Catching Goannas

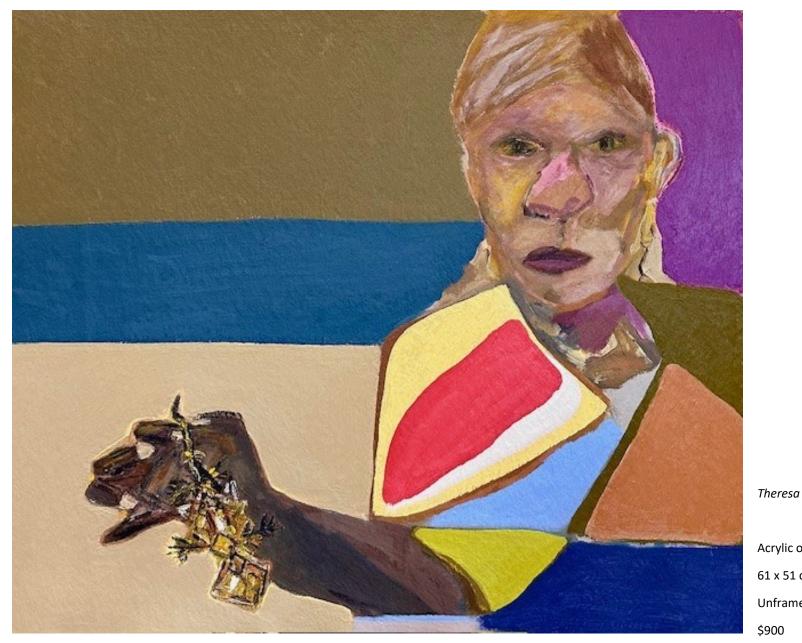
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Acrylic on Canvas 57 x 48 cm Unframed \$900

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Acrylic on Canvas 61 x 51 cm

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Amaroo Station

Acrylic on Canvas

57 x 56 cm

Unframed