

## ***Gumurr'manydji Manapanmirr Djäma*** ***(Making successful business together)***

### **Virtual Gallery and Educational Resources Launch**

26 April 2023

The Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation (ALPA) and the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) announce the launch of the *Gumurr'manydji Manapanmirr Djäma (Making successful business together)* [virtual gallery](#) and educational resources to connect Yolŋu culture with the world.

The *Gumurr'manydji Manapanmirr Djäma* exhibition explores ingenuity, traditions and economic independence depicted through images carefully curated by Yolŋu community members and leaders. In the immersive [virtual gallery](#), viewers can see these historical vignettes of life in Milingimbi, Galiwin'ku, Gapuwiyak, Ramingining and Minjilang – communities where ALPA operates today.

ALPA educational resources are available for schools and students of all ages to enhance their virtual gallery experience and celebrate Yolŋu culture and language. The enriching resources connect to the virtual gallery and offer a deeper insight into Yolŋu life on Country. Students can enjoy engaging quizzes and 'eye spy' questions which relate to the exhibition.

Ramingining School Year 9 student, Harvey Malibirr said:

"The [online] gallery was fun. I liked learning about our people from different communities. I liked it when I recognised family in the photos too. I want to finish the quiz."

Daphne Malibirr, ALPA Ramingining Director said:

"This gallery is a good thing for our kids. It means they can learn from our ancestors about the way we used to do things and where we have come from. It's important for them to know their story through the photos and be able to pass down these stories. They've heard of the stories about our ancestors doing fishing business and working on farms but now they can see it in the photos."

Alastair King, ALPA CEO said:

"We are very proud to be partnering in with MAGNT and RISE PC to produce a virtual gallery of the Gumurr'manydji Manapanmirr Djäma Exhibition. We have been blown away by its success and the very positive feedback. The success of the exhibition and the encouragement to share it with the wider Australian community prompted us to create the virtual exhibition to get the Yolŋu journey to a larger audience."

In 2022, ALPA celebrated its 50 year anniversary and developed a Yolŋu community-led photography exhibition *Gumurr'manydji Manapanmirr Djäma (Making successful business together)* to acknowledge the contribution Yolŋu people have made in building better futures and stronger communities.

The exhibition and virtual gallery were made possible by the Restart Invest to Sustain and Expand (RISE) Fund - an Australian Government initiative. The virtual gallery was produced by local company, Rise Project Consulting.

**FREE | MAGNT Darwin is open daily 10am – 4pm**

[Gumurr'manydji Manapanmirr Djäma Virtual Gallery](#)

[Teachers Resource](#)

[Students Resource](#)

[User Guide](#)

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#### **About the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory**

The Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) is the Northern Territory's premier cultural and scientific institution. It offers a dynamic and diverse arts, science and cultural program to more than 300,000 visitors each year. MAGNT operates seven venues on Larrakia Country (Darwin) and Arrernte Country (Alice Springs), and is set to open its eighth venue, the Northern Territory Art Gallery, in Darwin's CBD in 2025.

MAGNT is known for its collections and expertise in Aboriginal cultures, natural sciences, histories and arts across northern and central Australia and our neighbours to the north. It is also the home of the annual *Telstra NATSIAA* – the most significant Indigenous and richest art award of its kind in Australia.

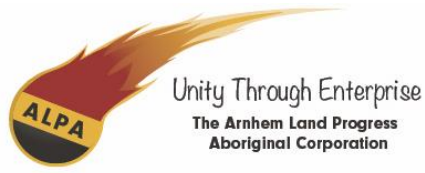
#### **About the Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation**

ALPA is built on Yolŋu and Balanda working together and we acknowledge our collective effort and commitment to 'Making a Difference Every Day' in our communities and to the lives of our members.

Everything ALPA does is focused on training, developing skills, creating jobs, and developing sustainable businesses for Yolŋu to build an economy in our communities and our region.

Our goal is to reduce welfare dependency and enhance the quality of life of our members. We also contribute to this through our benevolent programs and sponsorship of local events and activities which are funded by ALPA through our successful commercial activities.

As the largest Independent Aboriginal Corporation in Australia, ALPA leads the way in Remote Retailing, Community Service Program Delivery, Enterprise, and Economic Development and Corporate Services. By generating surplus through economic independence we are able to invest in benevolent funds for our Yolŋu communities.



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