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## TIARNA HERCZEG



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Tiarna Herczeg (she/them, born 1999) is a proud Kuku Yalanji and Hungarian artist living on Gadigal lands. Their mob's land runs along the east coast of far north Queensland and includes the land and waters between Port Douglas and just south of Cooktown. Kuku Yalanji Country is tropical, rainforest country.

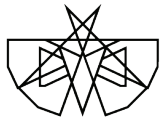
Tiarna's work is often understood with a comprehension of Indigenous, non-western maps. Maps that follow paths, Songlines and significant places. Tiarna's practice is intuitive and instinctive as they paint often without a direct idea, rather using their practice as a ritual for connecting to Country. Tiarna's approach to painting also comes from a sense of urgency regarding their spiritual and cultural identity.

Tiarna works to disconnect from the idea of 'painting' and instead tap into their spirituality, losing the fear of painting a perfect artwork. This fearlessness shows in loose, large, gestural brush strokes with vibrant colours and organic compositions highlighting the familiarity, richness and vitality of Country. There is a spiritual exchange of energy between Tiarna and their work. Tiarna listens and opens up to be guided by cultural intuition. They are left with their own sacred depiction of Country that cannot be told by anyone else.

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	<p><i>Ngiwa / Two jutting stones, 2023</i> 155cm x 109cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$4500</p>		<p><i>Mangkalba / Cedar bay, 2023</i> 63cm x 53cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$2000</p>
	<p><i>Yundu nganya milka-dalkay-mana wunkun / You remind me tomorrow, 2023</i> 155cm x 109cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$4500</p>		<p><i>Sit by the yilki / Sit by the creek, 2023</i> 63cm x 53cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$2000</p>
	<p><i>Mudu-wayjul / Before the sun comes up, 2023</i> 155cm x 109cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$4500</p>		<p><i>By the kubi / By the river, 2023</i> 63cm x 53cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$2000</p>
	<p><i>Murrngal / Breaking branches, 2023</i> 107cm x 97cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$3200</p>		<p><i>Near Kalkil / Near salty water, 2023</i> 63cm x 53cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$2000</p>
	<p><i>Kajamar / Joined together like bananas, 2023</i> 107cm x 97cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$3200</p>		<p><i>Badi Naka / Down south, 2023</i> 63cm x 53cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$2000</p>
	<p><i>Walba-ngarra / Grass tree, 2023</i> 107cm x 97cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$3200</p>		<p><i>Bunday / Stay, 2023</i> 63cm x 53cm Acrylic on canvas Framed in Tasmanian oak \$2000</p>