

Hazelhurst Arts Centre

Young At Heart

Artist Focus: Annette Webb



Annette Webb *Dunghetti Land - Swampy Creek*, 2019 acrylic on canvas

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ABOUT THE ARTIST

Annette Webb



Image: Aunty Annette Webb, Silversalt Photography

Annette Webb lives and works in Mortdale NSW.

Annette Webb is a Dunghetti woman who was raised in Newcastle where she went to school in South Cardiff. She spent part of her childhood in Ellamatta Girls Home after being taken from her family and told her father had died. After two years her Aunty and Uncle were given permission to raise her. Annette now lives in Mortdale and has raised six children with her husband and has three grandchildren and four great grandchildren. She has a Bachelor of Fine Arts graduating from the Eora College and has taught Aboriginal art at Seaforth TAFE. Annette is an active member of Kurrnulla Aboriginal Corporation. Annette's paintings celebrate the memory of her mother's flower garden and the ever-changing colours of the land where she grew up.

ABOUT THE WORK

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Annette Webb is a Dunghetti woman and this work represents her country.

Many first nations' women have always been the keepers of culture and here Annette shows us her country, her culture. The blue creek winds through the area like arteries providing life giving water to the abundant plant life.

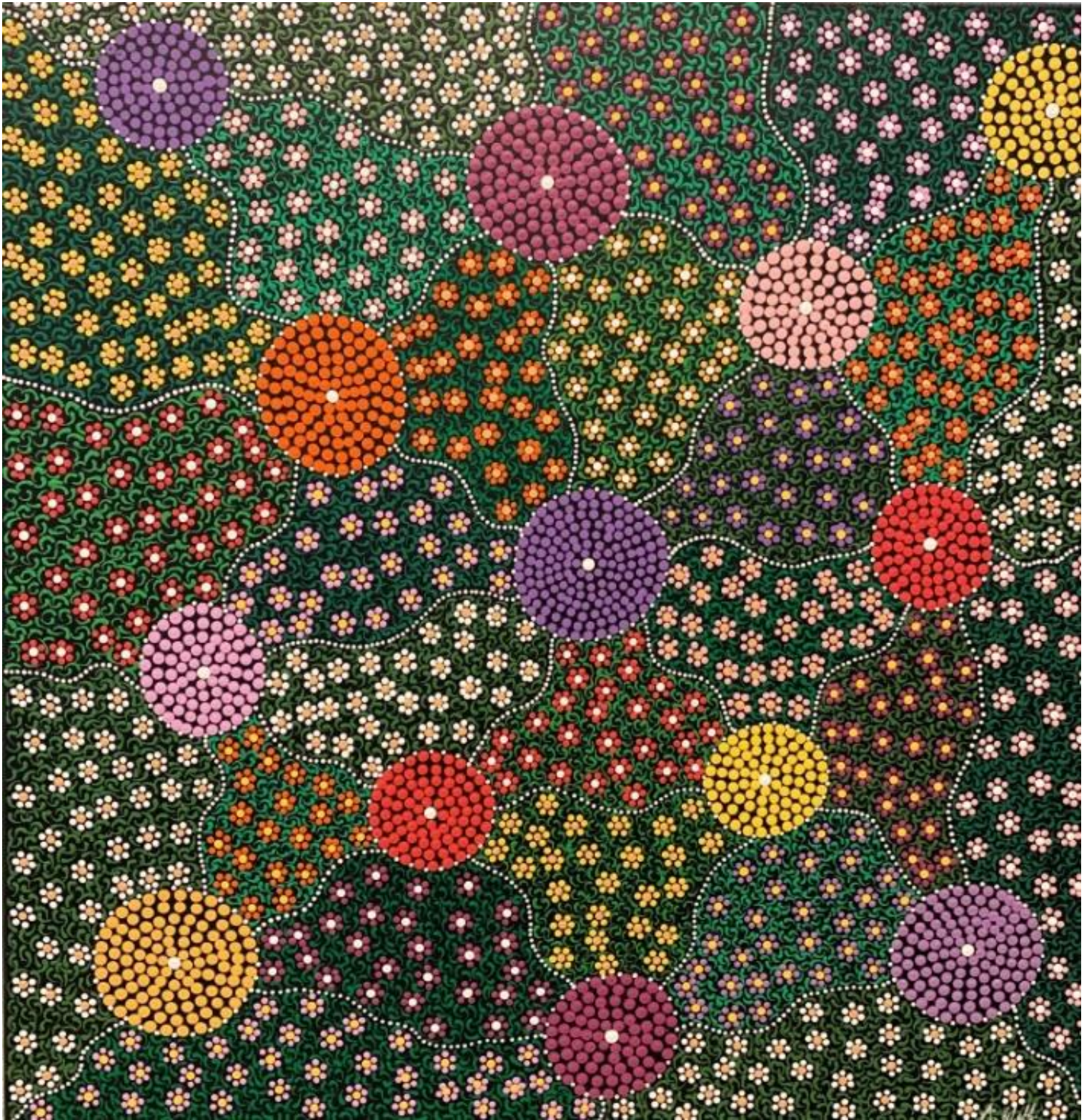
Dunghetti Land – Swampy Creek was exhibited in *Wuliwulawala: Dharawal Women Sharing Stories* at Hazelhurst Regional Gallery in 2021.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

- What do you see in *Dunghetti Land- Swampy Creek*?
- What colours can you see?
- What patterns and shapes can you see?
- What would this place be like? Would it be hot, cold, dry or wet?
- What sounds might you hear? What animals might live here?
- Think of a place that is important to you? What is it like? Why is it important to you?
- Do you like this work? Why?



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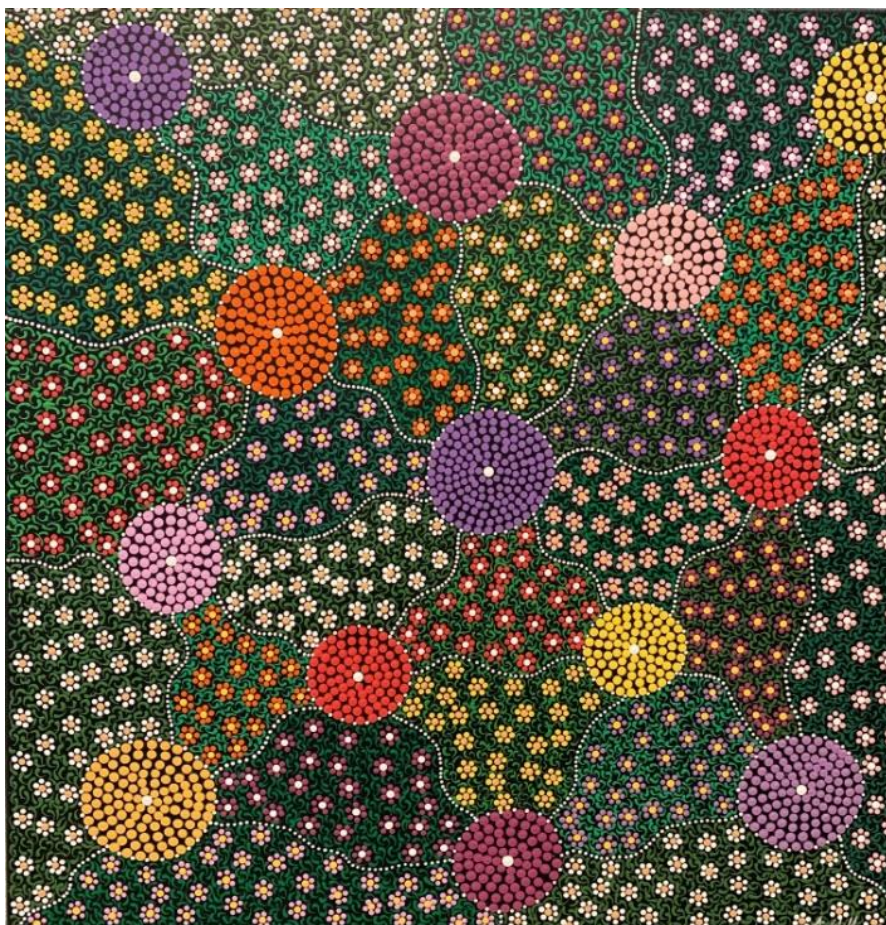


Annette Webb *Mum's Garden* 2019, acrylic on canvas

ART MAKING

Create your own spring garden

Annette Webb *Mum's Garden* 2019, acrylic on canvas



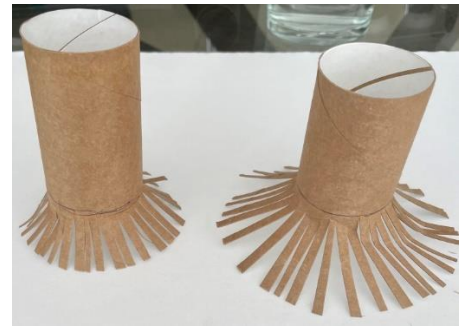
You will need:

- Toilet rolls or cardboard rolls from paper towels
- Scissors
- Acrylic paint, watercolours, textas, oil pastels and brushes
- Heavy weight paper or watercolour paper.
- Paper towels



STEPS

1. First, cut fringe at one end of your toilet roll then make a little pool of acrylic paint, either on a plastic plate or on a piece of foil and start dipping and then stamping the paint to create the beautiful flowers on the paper. It works best if you use several toilet rolls cut at different lengths as this will give you small and large sized flowers. You can use one for each colour.



2. You can overlay colours and place the smaller flower print inside the larger one. Stamp your flowers across your paper using different colours and use small and large prints.



3. Using water colours or watered down acrylic paint, dab dark and light green using scrunched up paper towels or dab with a brush all around the flowers to create the greenery.



4. Add details for the centres of the flowers, leaves, even bugs using textas, oil pastels or felt tip pens.



REFLECTION

Display and view

- What worked well?
- Did you like the process of making the artwork?
- What do you like most about these works?