

ROY MCIVOR: RETROSPECTIVE

7 DECEMBER - 20 JANUARY 2008

Exhibition Launch: December 7 - 6.30pm



Roy Mclvor is a highly respected elder of the Hopevale community north of Cooktown and a member of the Guugu Yimithirr language group. He is Chairperson of the Arts and Cultural Centre at Hopevale and has been instrumental in its development.

Roy has been developing his own contemporary art career for many years. In recognition of his art practice and the valuable contribution he has made to the region's contemporary culture, Cairns Regional Gallery will be presenting a solo exhibition that brings together his latest paintings together with a number of earlier prints and paintings.

In 2006, the Australia Council awarded Roy a grant to produce a new body of work for his exhibition at the Cairns Regional Gallery. Prior to this, he had twice won the Cape York Arts prize and his work has been included in Story Place, Gatherings and other leading group exhibitions and publications showcasing the works of Queensland artists. His work is also held in the collection of state art galleries and museums.

Mclvor has made some significant innovations with his work since receiving the Australia Council grant. While the artist maintains a strong link to the realm of traditional symbols and stories, at the same time he incorporates contemporary stories into his repertoire. These narratives are explored through contemporary painting and dynamic approaches to colour manipulation and composition.

*Susan Reid,
Curatorial Officer, Roy Mclvor Exhibition*



Roy Mclvor
Brolga Dancing

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