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OBJECTIVE

To work within the Aboriginal art, culture and language sectors, bring recognition and raise awareness and profile of our rich Victorian Indigenous culture art and language through my artwork, business and language activities. To expand my business to reach more young Indigenous people wishing to pursue the art field and language learning, but also mentor them in cultural teaching. To be employed where I can to work and liaise with other Indigenous people and to be involved in preserving our cultural and language heritage together.

PERSONAL DETAILS

Licence: Car and motorbike

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EMPLOYMENT

2011-Present	Project Officer <i>Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages (V.A.C.L)</i>
2012-present	Co-ordinator <i>Djirri Djirri Dance Group</i>
2016 (4 months)	Project Manager <i>Wurundjeri Land Council</i>
2010-2011	Project Manager <i>Wurundjeri Land Council</i>
2010	Archaeologist (project-based) <i>Heritage Insight Pty Ltd</i>
1996-present	Visual Artist
1996-present	Cultural Heritage Advisor <i>(Wurundjeri representative)</i>
1996-present	Indigenous archaeological assistant/monitor <i>(Wurundjeri Land Council)</i>

- 1998-2005** **Community Development Employment Prog (C.D.E.P) participant**
Toor-rong Aboriginal Corporation
- 2004-2005** **Oral History Worker**
Koorie Heritage Trust
- 2002** Registered business '**THARANGALK ART**', specializing in Wurundjeri art, design, language and cultural heritage.
- 1996-1998** **Receptionist, Cultural Resource Officer, Retail Manager**
Galeena Beek Living Cultural Centre
- 1997** **Waitress**
- 1993-1994** **Sales Representative**

EDUCATION

- 2006-2011** Monash University, Clayton
Completed BA-Indigenous Archaeology (2nd class Honours)
- 2000-2002** R.M.I.T University, Bundoora
Cert. III Clothing Production
Cert. III Small Business Management
Diploma of Arts (Pottery/ Ceramics)
Cert. III Koorie Art & Design
Cert IV Clothing Industry Studies
- 1995-1996** Oonah Learning Centre, Healesville
Koorie Art & Design
- 1993-1995** Monash University, Gippsland
Associate Diploma of Arts
(Koorie Studies)
- 1988-1993** Mirboo North Secondary College, Gippsland
V.C.E

AWARDS/ACHIEVEMENTS RECEIVED

- Monash University 2010: Indigenous Scholarship or Achievement and Equity
- Finalist 2006: Koorie Business Network's-Business of Arts Awards
- Monash University 2006: Indigenous Scholarship for Excellence
- Bundoora Homestead 2004: Exhibition winner
- N.A.I.D.O.C Week 2000: South Eastern Region Artist of the Year

MEMBERSHIPS

- Koorie Heritage Trust
- Bunjilaka
- Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages
- Wurundjeri Tribe, Land, Compensation and Cultural Heritage Council Inc.
- Previous member IAAP - Indigenous Arts Advisory Panel (Vice Chairperson)
- Public Art Advisory Panel (City Of Melbourne)
- Stolen Generations (supporter membership)
- Reconciliation Victoria
- Regional Arts Victoria
- Native Title Victoria
- Visual Arts Panel (City of Yarra)
- Caring for Country: Urban Perspective Reference Group (Monash University)

REFERENCES

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Aunty Diane Kerr

Senior Elder

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APPENDIX 1

**SUMMARY OF ARTISTIC and CULTURAL
CONSULTATIVE EXPERIENCE**

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| 2016 | AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Artwork for Melbourne and Carlton Football Clubs Indigenous Guernseys |
| 2016 | AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Design for Songline Poles at Essendon headquarters |
| 2014-2016 | TANDERRUM (managed by Ilbijerri Theatre Company)

Wurundjeri choreographer, singer, song writer, translator, cultural advisor |
| 2010-present | CEREMONY Co-ordinator of cultural workshops and ceremonies for Wurundjeri women/girls |
| 2012-present | DANCE Co-ordinator of <i>Djirri Djirri Dance Group</i>

Includes women's/girl's dance and cultural workshops |
| 2011-present | LANGUAGE Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages (VACL)

Numerous public lectures, workshops, conference presentations, Woiwurrung language specialist for Thornbury Primary language program |

- 2007-present** **PUBLIC SPEAKING** Numerous forums, panels, consultations, speeches
- 2000-current** **SMALL COMMISSIONS** Numerous artistic/cross-cultural workshops, logos, promotional artworks, exhibition participation and projects for small and large organisations; councils; government/mainstream/Indigenous organisations
- 2015** **MELBOURNE CITY MISSION**

Artwork for head office and promotional material
- 2014** **MEDIBANK**

Design consultant for 3 wooden sculptures for new building (fabricator Glenn Romanis)
- 2014** **WORLD AIDS CONFERENCE, MELBOURNE 2014**

Culture series of 3 Venetian masks auctioned for AIDS charities
- 2013** **WELLINGTON HOUSE REHAB CENTRE, BOX HILL**

Your Journey series artworks
- 2013** **KMART**

Designs for lapel badges for staff

Digital story-In collaboration with KoJo graphic design company
- 2013** **HEALESVILLE LIBRARY**

Permanent art installation

- 2012** **HEALESVILLE INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY SERVICES ASSOC (HICSA)**
Artwork for childhood health and wellbeing
- 2012** **GLENFERN VALLEY, UPWEY**
Cast iron art installation
- 2011** **PARKS VICTORIA**
Ranger Roo edition of Wurundjeri cultural kit for kids
- 2011** **AUSTRALIAN OPEN 2013**
Artwork for men's Indigenous t-shirt
- 2011** **CASIANA HOUSING ESTATE, CRANBOURNE**
Cast Iron and park art installation, cultural consultant
- 2006-2010** **I.A.A.P (Indigenous Arts Advisory Panel)**
Vice-Chairperson
- 2009** **MELBOURNE WATER**
Melbourne Zoo; Moomba; Art and Cultural Workshops
- 2008** **MANNINGHAM GALLERY**
Guest curator: *Moving Pictures Exhibition*

- 2008** **MELBOURNE WATER**
- Artwork *Baanj*-Water Education Trailer
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- 2008** **MOOMBA**
- Designer of Northland Secondary College costumes; cultural workshops
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- 2008** **ANZ MUSEUM**
- Possum Skin Cloak
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- 2007** **MOONEE PONDS CREEK BRIDGE PROJECT**
- Collaborative Artist (Community Mural; cultural workshops)
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- 2007** **TARWIRRI (Indigenous Law Students & Lawyers Association of Victoria)**
- Logo
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- 2006-07** **KANGAROO GROUND WAR MEMORIAL**
- Artist/Wurundjeri consultant
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- 2006** **ACES (Aboriginal Community Elders Service)**
- Mural
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- 2006** **BURRINJA GALLERY (UPWEY)**
- Numerous exhibitions and workshops

2006 **TRIBAL EXPRESSIONS EXHIBITION**

Celebrating 150 years of Parliament House

2006 **COMMONWEALTH GAMES (MELBOURNE)**

Exhibitor in ‘Tribal Expressions Exhibition’

Artist (Possum skin cloak-Wurundjeri)

Volunteer Cast Support ‘Ceremonies’

2006 **VIC ROADS**

Artwork for Indigenous Recruiting Program

2005-06 **STATEWIDE POSSUM SKIN CLOAK PROJECT**

Local Artist: Commonwealth Games Melbourne

2005-06 **COMMONWEALTH GAMES**

Queen Baton Relay

Wurundjeri Consultant

Fire pit and Community Garden Project, Healesville

2005 **SBS ENDANGERED DOCUMENTARY**

Cast member

2004 **OMBUDSMANS OFFICE MELBOURNE**

Designs for indigenous section

- 2004** **MISSION VOICES ABC WEBSITE**
- Artwork used on ABC's web site (Coranderrk)
- <http://www.abc.net.au/missionvoices>
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- 2002** **FIRST NATIONS CREDIT UNION**
- Artwork for promotional material;
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- 2003** **MELBOURNE METROPOLITAN FIRE BRIGADE**
- Artwork for Melbourne Head Office
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- 2002** **COMMONWEALTH GAMES-MANCHESTER**
- Closing Ceremony**
- Design projected over entire playing field
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- 2001** **KOORIE HERITAGE TRUST**
- Solo Exhibition
- Pieces: clay works, paintings, prints, photographs, carvings
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- 2000** **BOOK- HISTORY OF MERRI CREEK**
- Featured artwork
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- 1998** **GALEENA BEEK LIVING CULTURAL CENTRE**
- Collaborative Mural

1995 **DROMKEEN CHILDREN'S LITERATURE**

Logo and sculpture

1995 **MELBOURNE LIBRARIES**

Logo

1994 **WURUNDJERI DREAMTIME CD-ROM**

Artwork and voice-over

COUNCILS

CITY OF MELBOURNE

2006 Voiceover, puppet design, performance, school workshops

Moomba Indigenous Pre-parade performance

2005-06 Wurundjeri Consultant,

Gayip Project, Southbank

2005-06 Collaborative artist, *Common Ground* Project

Birrarung Marr, Melbourne

2005-2015 Arts Grants Assessment Panel Member (occasional only)

2001 Moomba Festival

Wurundjeri consultant 'Bunjil Tram' with Artist Glen Romanis

2000 Design for one of the annual NAIDOC banners

1998 Moomba dance performance on river barge

CITY OF WHITEHORSE

2007 Artwork for Reconciliation Policy

CITY OF YARRA

2006 Quarries Park Project

2002 Glass designs for front windows of Fitzroy Stars Gym

WYNDHAM CITY COUNCIL

2006 *Kirrip wurrung biik* forecourt installation

SCHOOLS

2014 **METHODIST LADIES COLLEGE**

Indigenous garden mural in collaboration with students

2013 **MONASH UNIVERSITY, CHURCHILL**

Artwork for medical studies department

2013 **ROBERT MCCUBBON PRIMARY SCHOOL, BOX HILL**

All school mural

2012 **RMIT**
Artwork for their new Indigenous department

2012 **UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE**
Possum skin cloak for the Vice Chancellor

2006 **MONASH UNIVERSITY**
Design for Indigenous Employment Department

2004 **BOX HILL INSTITUTE OF TAFE**
Mural

1999 **YARRAMBAT PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Murals

HEALTHCARE SERVICES

2015 **ROYAL MELBOURNE EYE AND EAR HOSPITAL**
Foyer artwork for redevelopment of building

2014 **WERRIBEE MERCY HOSPITAL**
Foyer artwork

2012 **EASTERN HEALTH**
Wominjeka (Welcome) series for hospital foyers in Eastern region

2009

EASTERN HEALTH CENTRE

16 artworks for consulting suites and foyer

2007

NORTH YARRA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

Collaborative mural including cultural workshops

2007

SOUTHERN HEALTH

Murals and smaller works

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS/AGENCIES

Numerous publication/promotional artworks for websites, brochures, letterheads, programs, events, awards/gifts and workshops.