## Aboriginal Artist Collection

**ARTIST** Amanda Hinkelmann

ARTWORK Wiradjuri Yiramiilan Grey



## **ARTWORK STORY**

Represented within this piece is a Wiradjuri sunrise on the bank of the Murrumbidgee River- the river running through my Country, and one of my most cherished places.

It reflects the swiftness of the water, moving quickly yet calmly downstream towards the Wiradjuri reserve. The droplets of water falling from my face and hair upon a morning swim, managing still to reflect the soft hues as the sky takes her colour for the day, warmed and filled by Grandmother Sun.

A Wiradjuri sunrise is a sunrise like no other- soft and calming, awakening and powerfully beautiful. The colours of the sky capture me and allow for pause and reflection, surrounded by the morning singing of the magpies who have made themselves a friend of mine on sunrise.

Born on Wiradjuri Land in Wagga Wagga, Amanda is an exceptionally passionate and talented Aboriginal artist who has been creating breathtaking original artworks from her studio under the moniker 'Because of my Four' for many years now. Amanda's artworks share stories of resilience, strength, and the power of women. She draws inspiration from her hometown of Wagga Wagga, her family, and the Dreamtime - displaying Aboriginal culture and storytelling in her own contemporary Aboriginal art style, developed through impatience, intuition, and an innate desire to create at all costs.

