

# Aboriginal Artist Collection

**ARTIST** Amanda Hinkelmann

**ARTWORK** Rest Easy, Little One



## ARTWORK STORY

This artwork honours those that have lost babies in their journey through parenthood. It honours the bravery and sorrow of miscarriage and remembers the little lives that found their wings too soon.

Standing alone, is a mother who has lost her baby. They drift from her body into the sky above, where they rest as stars in the night sky. The feeling of isolation exemplified by having her there within the artwork by herself. Her loved ones surround the meeting place, yet her mind is far from where they are.

Seeds and earth sit below- a nod to the Aboriginal saying, "We are all visitors to this time, this place. We are just passing through. Our purpose here is to observe, to learn, to grow, to love... and then we return home." Leaves are included within the artwork to offer hope for a growing family, and the giving of life, growth and fulfilment.

**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.**

