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Tennant Creek Brio is an artist collective based on Warumungu Country, uniting contemporary artists from Northern Central Australia and Melbourne/Naarm. Founded in 2016 through an outreach program at the Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation, the Brio includes key members such as Fabian Brown Japaljarri, Lindsay Nelson Jakamarra, Rupert Betheras, and others, who work collaboratively to challenge stereotypes and reclaim cultural narratives.

In 2024, the collective presented their first major survey exhibition, "Juparnta Ngattu Minjinypa Iconocrisis," at the Australian Centre for Contemporary Art (ACCA) in Melbourne/Naarm. "This landmark exhibition highlighted their innovative approach to reimagining cross-cultural identities and confronting post-contact histories through an audaciously punk attitude and a spirit of collaboration," said Alexie Glass-Kantor, curator of Encounters, Art Basel Hong Kong, based in Sydney/Gadigal and former director of Artspace.

The collective's practice spans painting, sculpture, installation, and performance, re-inscribing their experiences and cultural identity onto salvaged materials—pokie machines, car hoods, and oil barrels. Haunted by histories of intervention and mining, their work weaves ancestral knowledge with contemporary energy and "larger-than-life storytelling," according to Glass-Kantor. "Stressing an urgent need for truth-telling, future-thinking, and collectivity, their art offers a layered social critique while celebrating resilience and cultural renewal."

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Coumba Samba is an interdisciplinary artist based in London working with sculpture, painting, installation and performance. With artist Gretchen Lawrence, she is also one half of the London-based girl-pop duo called New York.

The Senagalese-American artist caught art dealer, collector, and president of the Swiss Art Trading Association Thomas Stauffer's attention earlier this year at her solo show at DREI Galerie in Cologne, where she installed an aquatic tank. "One of the artist's central interests is the deconstruction and staging of raw materials, which she expresses in the work Turtle Tank," he said. "The installation feels like a symbol of a life-creating mini oasis."

Samba's practice also explores bold colors and their meanings, particularly in flags. She examines how colors like yellow, green, and red—common in many African flags—convey social and geopolitical messages, a theme central to her Stripe and Stripe Blinds painting series. "I believe her work is particularly relevant in this very moment in time given the current discourse surrounding identity, heritage, geopolitical conflicts and equality," Stauffer said. In 2025, she will have her first institutional solo show in Germany at the renowned Kunstverein Hamburg, a solo exhibition at GTA Exhibitions (ETH Zurich) in Zurich, and a showcase at Kunsthalle Basel.

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