

## LIONEL FOGARTY

### 1958

Lives near Rathdowney, Queensland

Lionel Fogarty, Yugambah/Kudjela, poet, artist and activist, was born at Barambah, the Cherbourg Aboriginal Reserve, near Murgon, Queensland. In the early 1970s he became involved in Indigenous rights, working with the Aboriginal Legal Service, Aboriginal Housing Service, Black Resource Centre, Black Community School and Murrie Coo-ee. He campaigned for land rights and protested against Aboriginal deaths in custody.

Fogarty's first collection of poetry, *Kargun*, was published in 1980. He has since published a further thirteen volumes including the Scanlon Prize-winning *Connection Requital* (2010), *Mogwie-Idan: Stories of the Land* (2012), which won the Kate Challis RAKA Award, *Eelahroo (Long Ago) Nyah (Looking) Mobo-Mobo (Future)* (2014) and *Harvest Lingo* (2023), winner of Queensland Literary Awards – Judith Wright Calanthe Award for a Poetry Collection 2023.

More recently Fogarty's paintings have given visual presence to his experimental and politically charged poems. Interwoven with Indigenous languages which reflect his love for his people and Country, they tell of encounters between people and between cultures, address historical and cultural issues and political events, and pay tribute to important Indigenous figures. Fogarty's painted poems are intensely felt, bold and fierce and at times challenging and confronting.

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

### 2024

*moiyum wungumbil mugerra bullonga*, The Condensary, Brisbane

### 2023

*WUNGUMBIL MIBANY JALGANY*, Milani Gallery, Brisbane

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

### 2023

*ARTIST POET POIESIS*, Milani Gallery, Brisbane

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

### 2022

*Harvest Lingo*, Giramondo, Sydney

### 2017

*Lionel Fogarty Selected Poems: 1980 – 2017*, re.press and Aboriginal Humanities Project, Melbourne

### 2014

*Eelahroo (Long Ago) Nyah (Looking) Möbö-Möbö (Future)*, Vagabond Press, Sydney

### 2012

*Mogwie Idan: Stories of the Land*, Vagabond Press, Sydney

### 2010

*Connection Requital*, Sydney, Vagabond Press, Sydney

**2008**

*YERRABILELA JIMBELUNG Poems About Friends and Family*, with Yvette Walker and Kargun Fogarty, Keeaira Press, Southport, Queensland

**2004**

*Minyung Woolah Binnung: What Saying Says*, Keeaira Press, Southport, Queensland

**1995**

*New and Selected Poems, Munaldjali, Mutuerjaraera*. Hyland House, Melbourne

**1990**

*Jagera*, Murri Coo-ee, Spring Hill, Queensland

**1984**

*Ngutji*, (with illustrations by Lyn Briggs) Murri Coo-ee, Spring Hill, Queensland

**1982**

*Yoogum Yoogum*, Penguin, Melbourne

**1980**

*Kargun*, Murri Coo-ee, Spring Hill, Queensland

## **GRANTS & AWARDS**

**2023**

Winner, Queensland Literary Awards – Judith Wright Calanthe Award for a Poetry Collection for *Harvest Lingo (2022)*

Shortlisted, Prime Minister's Literary Awards – Poetry for *Harvest Lingo (2022)*

Shortlisted, Victorian Premier's Literary Awards – Indigenous Writing for *Harvest Lingo (2022)*

Shortlisted, NSW Premier's Literary Awards – Indigenous Writer's Prize for *Harvest Lingo (2022)*

Longlisted, ALS Gold Medal for *Harvest Lingo (2022)*

**2016**

Shortlisted, New South Wales Premier's Literary Awards, Kenneth Slessor Prize for Poetry

**2015**

Winner, Kate Challis RAKA Award for *Mogwie-Idan: Stories of the Land (2012)*

**2014**

Shortlisted, Victorian Premier's Literary Awards, Prize for Indigenous writing

**2012**

Winner, Scanlon Prize for Indigenous Poetry, for *Connection Requital*

**2006**

Australian Council for the Arts – Promotional and Presentation Grant Award Literature Board

Nominated, NBC Banjo Awards, Poetry Prize, for *New and Selected poems: Munaldjali, Mutuerjararera*

**1995**

Australian Council for the Arts – Travel Grant Award, toward promotional activities in UK, Italy and Spain

**1994**

Queensland OPAL Award – Murri Achievement (Writers) Award

**1988**

FAW Patricia Weickhardt Award to an Aboriginal Writer