



## CONSERVATION STATEMENT

TCC25/2025

ARTIST AUNTY PATSY DOOLAN

Title Large Woven Mat with Feathers, 2025

Small Woven Matt with Feathers, 2025

Dimensions Large- 46cm diameter weaving, 65cm diameter with feathers.

Small- 15.5cm diameter weaving, 26cm diameter

Medium Woven raffia with emu feathers

### CONSERVATION CONSIDERATIONS

- Important conservation issues specific to this work are in bold
- Please keep all of the packaging and labels supplied with this work for future transit and the next recipient.

Storage/Installation	These objects are easy to install, they are small and light and should be positioned horizontally or suspended. A small thread of fishing line can be woven through one thread at the top rear of the object with a darning needle and a loop created for hanging.
Transit	They can both be wrapped in Tyvek or bubble wrap but must not be folded or rolled and care should be taken to protect the emu feathers on the edges. Ideally they are placed between two pieces of heavy box cardboard to protect the feathers and to ensure the raffia is kept flat.
Light	No direct and limited ambient light, raffia will become very brittle with too much light exposure. The natural dyes are not very stable and will fade over time, light exposure will accelerate this process. Emu feathers will dry out and become brittle.
Temperature Humidity	Fluctuations in temperature and humidity will cause the raffia to swell and contract and result in cracking. High humidity will attract insects.
Structural Fragility	Both raffia and emu feathers are prone to breakage
Maintenance	Regular dusting with a soft brush.