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EDUCATION

B.Sc. (Honors), Horticulture, Nottingham University,
Nottingham, 1988–1991

CAREER

Botanical artist and environmental sculptor, 1994–
Consultant, horticulture and botany, 1994–
Teacher, botanical art, 2008–

MEMBERSHIP

American Society of Botanical Artists
Botanical Society of the British Isles
Chelsea Physic Garden Florilegium Society, Emeritus Fellow

MEDIA

Watercolor, graphite pencil

ONE-PERSON EXHIBITION(S)

Addendum, Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, 1997
Seeing Potential, Gallery 27, Cork Street, London, 2007

GROUP EXHIBITION(S)

Harlow Carr Botanical Gardens, Harrogate, 1994, 1995
Royal Horticultural Society, London, 1995, 1997, 1999
(part of group entry of Chelsea Physic Garden
Florilegium Society)
Annual Open Exhibition of the Society of Botanical Artists,
Central Hall Westminster, London, 1996, 1997, 1998,
2008
Watercolors from the Chelsea Physic Garden Florilegium Society,
Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation, Pittsburgh,
Pa., 2000
The Tulip: A Botanical Icon, Hortus Gallery, Chelsea, London,
2001
Apothecaries' Artists, Chelsea Physic Garden Florilegium
Society, Chelsea Physic Garden, 2005 [Exhibition
catalogue]
Chelsea Physic Garden Florilegium Society, National Botanic
Garden of Wales, Llanarthne, Wales, 2006
Treasures of Botanical Art: Icons from the Shirley Sherwood and
Kew Collections, Shirley Sherwood Gallery, Royal Botanic
Gardens, Kew, 2008 [Exhibition catalogue]
Neues aus der Krautschicht, Forum Botanische Kunst, Altern
Stern, Thungersheim, Germany, 2009

HONOR(S)/AWARD(S)

Gold Medal, Royal Horticultural Society, 1995, 1997, 1999
(group entry)

Certificate of Botanical Merit, Society of Botanical Artists,
1996, 1998

COLLECTIONS

Chelsea Physic Garden
Dr. Shirley Sherwood Collection

COMMISSIONS

Royal Horticultural Society Enterprises Ltd., three designs
for the Collectors' Plate Series (Autumn), 1996–1998

WORK REPRODUCED IN

Poxon, D. 2008. The Still Life Sketching Bible. New Jersey:
Chartwell Books, Inc.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Allen, M. 2007. Seeing Potential. London: Gallery 27.
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Baile de Laperriere, C. 2009. Who's Who in Art, ed. 33.
Calne, Wiltshire: Hilmarton Manor Press.
Brown, A. 2005. Flower Paintings from the Apothecaries'
Garden. Woodbridge, Suffolk: Antique Collectors' Club.
[Exhibition catalogue.]
International Biographical Centre. 2010. Dictionary of
International Biography, ed. 35. Cambridge, England:
International Biographical Centre.
Sherwood, S. and M. Rix. 2008. Treasures of Botanical Art.
Richmond, Surrey: Kew Publishing. [Exhibition
catalogue.]

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Creeping thistle [*Cirsium arvense*] 2005
Watercolor on paper 51 × 73 cm
Lent by the artist

2

Passion flower [*Passiflora* sp.] 2006
Watercolor on paper 73 × 51 cm
Hunt Institute collection, gift from the artist