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#### EDUCATION

Certificate of Art, Prahran Technical College, Melbourne, 1965

B.A., Art and Graphic Design, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Melbourne, 1967

Trained Technical Teachers' Certificate, Technical Teachers' College, Melbourne, 1968

Graduate Diploma, Graphic Communication Education, Hawthorn Institute of Education, Melbourne, 1993

Master of Educational Studies, Monash University, Melbourne, 1995

Courses with Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne Illustration Group, 1996

Botanical Art School of Melbourne, South Yarra, 1998 Master classes with Anne-Marie Evans, 1999

### CAREER

Fashion Illustrator, David Jones, Sydney, 1967–1968 Secondary School Art Teacher, Fawkner Technical School, Melbourne, 1969; Rosanna High School, Hobart, Tasmania, 1973; Clayton Technical School, Melbourne, 1973; Blackburn Technical School, Blackburn, 1978

Lecturer, Design and Life Drawing, School of Architecture, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Melbourne, 1971; Graphics, Textiles, Child Art Studies, Primary Art and Craft, Melbourne College of Education, Melbourne, 1972; Graphic Communications, Hawthorn Institute of Education, Melbourne, 1990–1995

Head of Art Department and Secondary Art Teacher, Heidelberg West Technical School, Melbourne, 1974– 1975

Tutor/Studio Technician, 1976; Special Methods Lecturer, 1979; Graphic Designer, Publicity, State College of Victoria, Melbourne, 1980

Plant materials mounting, State Herbarium Melbourne, Melbourne, 1998–1999

Teacher, Botanical Illustration, Waverley Community Centre, Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne and Council of Adult Education, Melbourne, 2005; Geelong Botanic Gardens, Geelong, 2007–2009; Balwyn Community Centre, Melbourne, 2008; Botanical Illustration Specialist Workshops, Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, South Yarra, 2008–2016

Specialist Workshop, Monash Gallery of Art, Wheelers Hill,

Melbourne, 2008; Mount Buller, Victorian Alps, 2009–2010; Saint Michael's Grammar School, Saint Kilda, Melbourne, 2013–2016

Professional Memberships

Clivia Society, Melbourne

Florilegium Society at the Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney Friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne Friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne

Artwork Media

Watercolor, graphite pencil

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

Botanicals, Papillion Gallery Glenferrie, Malvern, 1995 [Exhibition catalogue]

Decorator Show House, Sotheby's Melbourne, Melbourne, 1996 [Exhibition catalogue]

Botanicals, Catanach's Fine Art Gallery, Melbourne, 1998 [Exhibition catalogue]

The Art of Botanical Illustration, 4th–10th Biennial Exhibition Presented by the Friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, National Herbarium of Victoria, South Yarra, 1998–2014 [Exhibition catalogue]

Celebrating 120 Years of Geelong Botanic Gardens, Geelong Gallery, Geelong, 2000 [Exhibition catalogue]

Town and Country, Benalla Art Gallery, Benalla, 2001 [Exhibition catalogue]

Special Botanicals, Villa Mulberry, Botanical Art School of Melbourne, Melbourne, 2002 [Exhibition catalogue]

Castlemaine Art Festival, Malmsbury, 2003 [Exhibition catalogue]

Nature's Art Revealed: 150 Years of Botanical Art at the National Herbarium of Victoria, 1853–2003, Domain House, Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, South Yarra, 2003 [Exhibition catalogue]

Antiques Garden and Gift Market, Birmingham, Ala., 2004 Expressions Botanica, Maymont Garden and Flower Show, Richmond, Va., 2004

Philadelphia International Flower Show, Philadelphia, Pa., 2004

Upper Saint Clair Women's Club, Pittsburgh, Pa., 2004 Botanical Art at Karwarra, Karwarra Gardens, Kalorama, 2006 [Exhibition catalogue]

Inspired by Nature, Geelong Botanical Artists Exhibition Presented by the Friends of the Geelong Botanic Gardens, Gordon Gallery, Geelong, 2008 [Exhibition catalogue]

A Secret Life of Plants, Linden Centre for Contemporary Arts, Saint Kilda, 2009 [Exhibition catalogue]

Nature's Small Wonders, Friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens

- Melbourne Botanical Illustrators, Domain House, Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, South Yarra, 2011 [Exhibition catalogue]
- Botanica: The Masters and Moore, Foundation & Friends of the Botanic Gardens, Joseph Maiden Theatre and Charles Moore Room, Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney, Sydney, 2012–2013 [Exhibition catalogue]
- From the Forest to the Foreshore—Natural History: Ferns, Fungi and Their Allies, Friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne Botanical Illustrators, Domain House, Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, South Yarra, 2013 [Exhibition catalogue]
- reFraming Nature: Natural History Art Exhibition, Friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne Botanical Illustrators, Domain House, Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, South Yarra, 2015 [Exhibition catalogue]
- Florilegium: Sydney's Painted Garden, Sydney Living Museums, Museum of Sydney, Sydney, 2016

#### Collections

Botanic Garden and Botanical Museum Berlin-Dahlem Friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne Illustrated Garden Collection

Government House Florilegium, State Library Victoria Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens Library and Archives, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew Lindley Library, Royal Horticultural Society National Library of Australia Peter H. Raven Library, Missouri Botanical Garden State Botanical Collection, National Herbarium of Victoria

## Work Reproduced In

Botanic News: Friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, 2004, spring, pp. 5, 10; 2006, spring, p. 5; 2010, summer, pp. 11, 14; 2011, summer, p. 12; 2012, winter, p. 10

Numerous private collections in Australia and worldwide

- Calendar, Friends of the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne Botanical Illustrators, 2007, 2013–2016
- Camellia News: The Journal of Camellias Australia, 2010, spring/summer and winter issues
- Jenny Phillips' Australian Botanical Artists National Trust desk diaries, 2001, 2003, 2009

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- Botanical Art School of Melbourne. 2010. The Government House Florilegium, Victoria. Middle Park, Victoria: Lothian Custom Publishing. [Pp. 30–31.]
- Burrows, H. 2002–2008. Camellia Prints. Melbourne: Self-published. 3 vols.
- Cohn, H. and J. Thurlow. 2003. Nature's Art Revealed: 150 Years of Botanical Art at the National Herbarium of Victoria, 1853–2003. Melbourne: Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne. [Exhibition catalogue.]
- Morris, C. and L. Murray. 2016. The Florilegium, Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney—Celebrating 200 Years. Sydney: Florilegium Society at the Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney. [P. 97.]

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Rose; Rosa 'Pierre de Ronsard' [*Rosa* Linnaeus,
Rosaceae] 2012
Watercolor on paper 53.5 × 39 cm
Hunt Institute collection, gift from the artist

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