

ARTIST BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD

Artist name:

Dowden, Anne Ophelia Todd

City and country of birth:

Denver, USA

Residence:

USA

Education:

Courses at the University of Colorado, 1925-26

B.A., Carnegie Institute of Technology (Pittsburgh, Pa.), 1930

Courses at Beaux-Arts Institute of Design and the Art Students League (New York)

Career:

Art instructor, Pratt Institute, New York

Head of the Art Department of Manhattanville College (New York), 1932-1953

Freelance textile designer, 1935-1955

Freelance botanical artist, since 1950

Artwork medium:

Watercolor

Group Exhibition(s):

- Metropolitan Museum
- Carnegie Institute (Pittsburgh)
- Silvermine Artists Guild
- Brooklyn Botanic Garden

Honors/Awards:

- Fellowship, Tiffany Foundation, 1929, 1930, 1932
- National Order of the Delta Gamma Rose, 1967

Work reproduced in (*publications the artist was commissioned to illustrate or works authored by the artist*):

- Dowden, A.O. *The Secret Life of the Flowers*. New York, Odyssey Press, [1964].
- Dowden, A.O. & Thomson, R. *Roses*. New York, Odyssey Press, [1965].
- [Brindle, J.V.] *An Exhibition of Botanical Illustrations by Anne... Dowden*. Pittsburgh, PA., Hunt Botanical Library, 1965.
- Collector Print series. Louisville, Kentucky, Frame House Gallery, 1969 to date.
- Borland, H. & Dowden, A.O. *Plants of Christmas*. New York, Golden Press, 1969.

- Kerr, J. *Shakespeare's Flowers*. New York, Thomas Y. Crowell Co., (1969)
- Untermeyer, L. *Plants of the Bible*. New York, Golden Press, 1970.
- Untermeyer, L. (ed.) *Roses*. New York, Golden Press, 1970.
- Dowden, A.O. *Wild Green Things in the City: A Story of Weeds*. New York, Thomas Y. Crowell Co., 1972.
- Work also reproduced in *Audubon Magazine*, *House Beautiful*, *Life Magazine*, and *Natural History*.

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