



## SHOWELL, BILLY

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### EDUCATION

Diploma, Art and Design, Epsom School of Art and Design, Surrey, England, 1984–1986

B.A. (Honors), Fashion Design and Illustration, Central Saint Martins College of Art and Design, London, England, 1986–1989

### CAREER

Designer/illustrator and artist, Wallis Fashion Group, London, 1989–1991; freelance, 1991–1998

Teacher, botanical and watercolor painting, Sevenoaks Adult Education, Kent, 1998–2006

Tutor, painting, Tunbridge Wells Studio, Tunbridge Wells, 2005–

Teacher, botanical art, Distance Learning Diploma Course, Society of Botanical Artists, London, 2006–2010

Teacher, botanical painting, Blue Mountains, New South Wales, Australia; Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney, New South Wales, Australia; Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, Scotland, 2009

Teacher, botanical painting, Pashley Manor Gardens, East Sussex; Denman College, Oxfordshire, 2009–

### MEMBERSHIP

Society of Botanical Artists

### MEDIUM

Watercolor

### ONE-PERSON EXHIBITION(S)

Still-Life and Flowers, Tunbridge Wells Museum and Art Gallery, Tunbridge Wells, 1998

A Passion for Flowers, Tunbridge Wells Museum and Art Gallery, Tunbridge Wells, 2000

### GROUP EXHIBITION(S)

Annual Open Exhibition of the Society of Botanical Artists, Central Hall Westminster, London, 2000–2004, 2006–2009

Autumn Flower Show, 2003; Hampton Court Flower Show, Royal Horticultural Society, 2004, 2005

Cranbrook Art Show, Vestry Hall, Cranbrook, Kent, 2004, 2007  
Annual Exhibition, Five Arrows Gallery, Exbury Gardens, Hampshire, 2004–2007

Annual Exhibition, Pashley Manor Gardens, East Sussex,

2004–2009

Florum, Exhibition of Flower, Botanical and Landscape Paintings, Sevenoaks Wildlife Reserve, Sevenoaks, Kent, 2004–2009

### HONOR(S)/AWARD(S)

Certificate of Botanical Merit, Society of Botanical Artists, 2000–2004, 2006, 2007

Silver-Gilt Medal, Royal Horticultural Society, 2003

### COLLECTIONS

Lindley Library, Royal Horticultural Society

### COMMISSIONS

Chrysanthemum Society

Numerous private commissions

### WORK REPRODUCED IN

Stevens, M. 2004. *The Art of Botanical Painting*. London: Harper Collins.

Stevens, M. 2007. *The Botanical Palette*. London: Harper Collins.

Botanical illustrations for magazines: *The Artist*, *The Artist and Illustrator*, *Flower Arranging*  
Botanical illustrations for self-published cards in England

### BIBLIOGRAPHY

Showell, B. 2006. *Watercolour Flower Portraits*. Tunbridge Wells: Search.

Showell, B. 2009. *Watercolour Fruit & Vegetable Portraits*. Tunbridge Wells: Search.

Showell, B. 2010. *Billy Showell's A–Z of Flower Portraits*. Tunbridge Wells: Search.

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Zantedeschia Heart 2008  
Watercolor on paper 46.5 × 49 cm  
Lent by the artist

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Love goddess [*Zantedeschia* sp.] 2008  
Watercolor on paper 51.5 × 52 cm  
Hunt Institute collection

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