

## **Toomey, Rufus**

b. Boston, Massachusetts

Residence: USA

### Education:

Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School, Boston, Mass., 1970

Associates Degree, Green Mountain College, Poultney, Vt., 1969

Landscape design and horticultural studies, University of Maryland; Maryland Institute College of Art, 1985–1986; George Washington University; Anne Arundel Community College, 1985–1990

Certificate program, Botanical Illustration, New York Botanical Garden, 1999–

### Career:

Botanical/natural science artist and illustrator

Teacher, *Botanical Drawing; Painting Flowers; Not Really Wearable Art*, Brookside Gardens

### Membership:

Guild of Natural Science Illustrators

American Society of Botanical Artists

### Media:

Graphite, watercolor, colored pencil, pen-and-ink

### Group Exhibition(s):

St. John's College

Virginia State Arboretum

Guild of Natural Science Illustrators (2)

*3rd Annual International*, American Society of Botanical Artists/Horticultural Society of New York

### Commissions:

Monticello (Thomas Jefferson Center for Historic Plants)

FMC Corporation

Continental Box Corporation

Brookside Gardens

Historic Annapolis Foundation

William Paca Garden

Sea Resources

Windwood Gardens

Annapolis Rowing Club

Genessee Vallery Outdoor Learning Center

Smithsonian Institution, Department of Botany, *Fish Out of Water Project*, Baltimore, Md.

Work Reproduced In:

Horticulture. 1995.

Mors, W. B., C. T. Rizzini, N. A. Pereira, and R. A. DeFilipps (ed.). 2000. Medicinal  
Plants of Brazil. Algonac, MI: Smithsonian Institution Reference Publications.

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*Aristolochia trilobata* 1993

Pen-and-ink 36 × 28 cm

Lent by the artist

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*Nymphaea rudgeana* 1993

Pen-and-ink 36 × 28 cm

Lent by the artist