

Benham, Sri. K.

b. Bandung, Indonesia
Residence: New Zealand

Education:

Secondary education in Indonesia
Graduate, Interior design, Hoger St. Lukas Instituut, Brussels, Belgium, 1977
Graduate, Garden design, Hoger Rijkstuinbouwschool, Vilvoorde, Belgium, 1980

Career:

Apprenticeship landscaping, Heidemij, Den Bosch, Netherlands, 1980
Draughtsman, City Council Green Projects Planning, Rotterdam, Netherlands, 1981
Design/draughtsman, J. Wirtz Landscape Design, Belgium, 1983–1986
Freelance botanical artist, 1986–
Teacher, botanical painting one-day workshops and classes, Friends of the Botanic Garden, 1997–

Membership:

American Society of Botanical Artists

Media:

Watercolor, pen-and-ink, pencil, acrylic, colored pencil

Group Exhibition(s):

Local art societies, Exeter, Tiverton and Silverton, Devon, United Kingdom, 1987–1991
Local art exhibition, Newton, Wales, 1993
A. Ries Gallery (Backyard Gallery), New Plymouth, New Zealand, 1992, 1995
Franklin Arts Festival, Pukekohe, 1995, 2001
Murray Freer Gallery, Pukekohe, 1996
Olde Courtyard Gallery, Papakura, 1997
The Lane Gallery, Auckland, 1998
Gallery Sixteen, Kumeu, Auckland, 1998
Botanic Gardens Library, Manurewa, Auckland, 1998
Art in Science, American Society of Botanical Artists and Guild of Natural Science
Illustrators exhibition, Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis, Mo., 1999
Flora 2000, American Society of Botanical Artists international exhibition, Longwood
Gardens, Kennett Square, Pa., 2000
War Memorial Hall, Waiau Pa, 2001
West Franklin Gallery, Waiuku, 2001
Papakura Art Gallery, Papakura, 2001

Collections:

Numerous private collections

Commissions:

Auckland Regional Botanic Gardens (artwork design on internal transport train carriages, floor painting, and a variety of illustrations for the interpretative signage *Plants for People* ethnobotanical series)

Friends of the Botanic Garden Library, Auckland

Numerous private commissions

Work Reproduced In:

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Benham, S. 1990. *Plantsman*. London.

NCCPG. 1989. *The Magic Tree*. Devon.

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Pyrus communis 'Packham's Triumph' 1999

Watercolor 24.5 × 20.5 cm

Hunt Institute collection, gift from the artist

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Pyrus communis 'Winters Nelis' 1999

Watercolor 21 × 24 cm

Hunt Institute collection, gift from the artist

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Tamarillo 1999

Watercolor 21 × 25 cm

Hunt Institute collection, gift from the artist

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