ARTIST BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD

Artist name: Melinda Edstein

City and country of birth: Sydney, Australia

Citizenship: Australian

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Education: Bachelor of Veterinary Science, Hons 1, University of Sydney, NSW – 1978–1982. Botanical Art classes, tutor Barbara Duckworth, Sydney Royal Botanic Gardens – 2008– 2013. Distance Learning Course Diploma, with Distinction, from Society of Botanical Artists, London – 2015–2017.

Career: Small animal veterinarian at Miranda Veterinary Clinic, Sydney, NSW, 1983 to 1984. Bexley Veterinary Hospital, Sydney, NSW, 1984 to 2000. Volunteer at Taronga Zoo, 2014 to present.

Professional memberships: Member of Botanical Art Society of Australia. Signature Member of Coloured Pencil Community of Australasia. Member of UK Coloured Pencil Society.

Artwork medium: I use coloured pencils for the majority of my work. Mainly Faber Castell Polychromos on hot pressed smooth watercolour paper, such as Schoellershammer 4G. Occasionally use pen and ink.

Group Exhibition(s):

- Botanica, Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney, 2010 to present.
- Canberra Botanical, Canberra, ACT, 2010.

- The Art of Botanical Illustration, Royal Botanic Gardens, Melbourne, Victoria, 2012.
- SBA exhibition, London, UK, 2017, diploma piece exhibited.
- Botanical Art Worldwide, Australian section, 2018, held in Canberra, ACT two pieces, exhibition catalogue published.

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