

# MANNES-ABBOTT, SHEILA

b. Hillingdon, England

RESIDENCE: England

EDUCATION:

Ealing School of Art (scholarship awarded at the age of 13 for a portfolio of flowers in watercolor)

CAREER:

Freelance botanical artist

Founder member, Society of Botanical Artists, 1986

Part-time lecturer, botanical drawing and painting, Brunel University

Instructor, one and two-day courses in watercolor flower painting

MEDIA:

Watercolor, pencil

GROUP EXHIBITION(S):

Royal Horticultural Society, London, 1974, 1978, 1997

Royal Academy, London, 1975

Royal Watercolor Society, Mall Gallery

Society of Botanical Artists, Westminster, 1986-1998

"Flowers and Gardens," Society of Botanical Artists, Mall Gallery, 1984-1986

ONE-PERSON EXHIBITION(S):

Reading Fine Art Gallery, Reading, 1976

Fumeux Gallery, Wimbledon, 1979

Bohun Gallery, Henley-on-Thames

HONOR(S)/AWARD(S):

Grenfell Silver Gilt Medal, Royal Horticultural Society, London, 1974, 1978

Gold Medal, Royal Horticultural Society, 1997

Medalife Award, Society of Botanical Artists, London, 1990

COLLECTIONS:

Wargrave Parish Council

Dr. Shirley Sherwood, London

Numerous private collections

COMMISSIONS:

Athena International; BBC Enterprises; Blackstaff Textiles; Book Club Associates; Boots Company Plc; Coalport;

Coates Leisure Group; Franklin Mint; Friends of the Earth; National Trust; Waddingtons; World Wildlife Fund;

World Wide Fund for Nature

Bone china designs for Royal Kendal

Designs for 6 collections of collector plates

Fabrics, cards, puzzles and notecards for Artlines

Royal National Lifeboat Institution

Royal Society for Nature Conservation

WORK REPRODUCED IN:

Asser, Michael, ed. *The Royal County: A commemoration of the Silver Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.*

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Mannes-Abbott, Sheila and Phil Drabble. 1981. *Four seasons: The life of the English countryside.* London.

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*Fritillaria imperialis* 'Aurora' 1998

Watercolor 76 x 57 cm.

Lent by the artist

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Lilium regale 1995

Watercolor 76 x 57 cm.

Lent by the artist