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EDUCATION

B.A. (Honors), Knitwear Design, Nottingham Trent University, Nottingham, 1989–1994

M.A., Information Studies, University of Brighton, Brighton, 2001–2003

CAREER

Various posts in information management and librarianship, 1995–2005

Freelance botanical artist, Cornwall, 2013–

Instructor, Botanical Art, The Eden Project, Cornwall, 2014–
Keeper, Herbarium and Archives, Eden Project Florilegium Society, Cornwall, 2010–

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Fellow of the Eden Project Florilegium Society

ARTWORK MEDIA

Watercolor, graphite pencil

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

Freaky Nature, Eden Project Florilegium Society, The Eden Project, Cornwall, 2012

Royal Horticultural Society, London, 2013, 2014

Remembering Heligan, Mally Francis Art Group, Heligan Gardens, Cornwall, 2015

Tropical Splendour: Plant Portraits from the Shirley Sherwood Contemporary Collection, Singapore Botanic Gardens, Singapore, 2015

Closely Observed Nature, Terre Verte Gallery, Cornwall, 2016

Florilegium: Sydney's Painted Garden, Sydney Living Museums, Museum of Sydney, Sydney, 2016

HONORS/AWARDS

Gold Medal (*Hardy Geraniums with an Award of Garden Merit*), 2013; Gold Medal and Best in Show (*Aristolochias of British Botanic Gardens*), Royal Horticultural Society, 2014

COLLECTIONS

Eden Project Florilegium, Cornwall

Florilegium, Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney

Lindley Library, Royal Horticultural Society

Shirley Sherwood Collection

Transylvania Florilegium, London

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Morris, C. and L. Murray. 2016. *The Florilegium*, Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney—Celebrating 200 Years. Sydney: Florilegium Society at the Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney. [P. 69.]

Silburn, L. 2014. Painting hardy geraniums. *Plantsman* 13(3): 166–171.

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Rooster Flower; *Aristolochia labiata* [*Aristolochia labiata* Willdenow, Aristolochiaceae] 2014

Watercolor on paper 55.5 × 47 cm

Hunt Institute collection

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