
Portland Gallery

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Mary Fedden RA, RWA, OBE (1915 – 2012)

BIOGRAPHY

1915 Born in Bristol

1932-36 Studied at Slade School of Art

1930s Painted stage designs for Sadler's Wells and the Arts Theatre

1940s Served in the Land Army and Woman's Voluntary Service;

Commissioned to produce murals for war effort

1944-46 Worked as driver for Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes

1951 Married the artist Julian Trevelyan

1951, 61, 80 Murals for Festival of Britain, P&O Liner, Charing Cross Hospital

1958-1967 Taught at Royal College of Art

1965-70 Taught at Yehudi Menuhin School

1984-1988 President of the Royal West of England Academy

1988 Major exhibition at the Royal West of England Academy, Bristol

1992 Elected Royal Academician in the Senior Order

1996 Major exhibition at the Royal West of England Academy, Bristol

1997 Appointed O.B.E.

2006 Exhibition, Pallant House, Chichester, *Magic Realities: The Artistic Marriage of Mary Fedden and Julian Trevelyan*

2008 *Mary Fedden, A Retrospective*, Portland Gallery (regularly since)

2009 Awarded an honorary degree from the University of Durham

2010 *Mauve Still Life*, 1968 exhibited at Tate Britain to celebrate the artist's 95th birthday

2011 Exhibition, Royal West of England Academy, Bristol, *Mary Fedden Celebration*

2015 Exhibition, Pembroke JCR Art Gallery, Oxford, *Mary Fedden: a voice of her own*

2018-19 Exhibition, Pallant House, Chichester, *Mary Fedden, Colour and Simplicity*

2022 Exhibition, Victoria Art Gallery, Bath, *Mary Fedden, Simple Pleasures*

SELECTED BIOGRAPHY

Christopher Andreae, *Enigmas and Variations*, Lund Humphries, 2007

Mel Gooding, *Mary Fedden*, Scholar Press, 1995

ILLUSTRATED BOOKS

Susannah Amooore & Mary Fedden, *Motley the Cat*, Puffin Books, 1999

Jane Gardam & Mary Fedden, *The Green Man*, Weidenfeld & Nicolson, 1998

Mary Fedden, *Birds*, Windrush Press, 1999

SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Bath University

Bristol Art Gallery

Birmingham Museums and Art Gallery

Chelsea and Westminster Health Charity

Contemporary Art Society, London

Derbyshire and Derby Library Service

Durham University

Falmouth Art Gallery

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Government Art Collection

Guildford House Gallery

Herbert Art Gallery and Museum, Coventry

Hereford City Art Gallery

HM The Queen's Collection

Lakeland Arts Trust

Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge

National Gallery of New Zealand

National Museum of Wales

New Art Gallery, Walsall

New Hall Art Collection, University of Cambridge

Newport Museum and Art Gallery

Pallant House, Chichester

Peterborough Museum and Art Gallery

Paintings in Hospitals, London

Reading Museum

Royal West of England Academy, Bristol

Sheffield Museum and Art Gallery

Southampton City Art Gallery

Swindon City Art Gallery

Tate Gallery, London

Tullie House Museum, Carlisle

University of Chichester, Otter Gallery

University College London Hospitals

University of Leeds Art Gallery

University of York

Victoria Art Gallery, Bath

Warwick University

Williamson Art Gallery and Museum, Birkenhead

York City Art Gallery