

Diana Armfield RA RWS Hon. NEAC

Diana Armfield studied at the Slade School of Fine Art and Central School of Arts and Crafts, London. She was Artist in Residence in Perth, Australia, in 1985, and in Jackson, Wyoming, USA in 1989. She started her career in textile and wallpaper design in partnership with Roy Passano; they contributed to the 1951 Festival of Britain and examples of their work are in the permanent collection at the V&A.

After teaching drawing at the Byam Shaw School of Art, London for a number of years, Armfield successfully turned to painting in 1965. Diana was married to Bernard Dunstan RA for 60 years until his death in 2018. Diana continues to draw and paint daily now into their 96th year. She was elected an ARA in 1989 and a Royal Academician in 1996 and it is completely true that her works are highly sought after as her 'touch' in oils, drawings, etchings and lithographs is honest, lively and exquisitely well drawn - almost unique skills in British art these days.