

MARTELL, I. Arleigh (Mrs. Peter Armstrong)

Originally from Comox, B.C., she attended school there, then studied art under Sir Malcolm MacKinnon at nearby Courtenay, in 1936. During this year she held her first one-man show of twelve paintings. For many years all her time was taken up with the care of her children and she did not return to painting until 1948. She then studied at the Vancouver School of Art under Lionel Thomas and under Petley Jones at the West Vancouver Sketch Club. She is influenced in part by French Impressionists. Her work has been exhibited with the Canadian Federation of Artists and the Western Art Circuit. She has held solo shows at the eastern philosophical centre on West Broadway, and the Senior High School at Campbell River, B.C. In 1967 she was working on the final proof of a manuscript of a book of poetry and prose with accompanying paintings. Married to Col. Peter Armstrong they live at Oyster Bay, Comox District, B.C.

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