



The Royal Western Australian Historical Society (Inc.)

Auxiliary Morning Tea Fundraiser “DEAR EMILY” and the “ANGELS” In Western Australia China painting from the 1880s



Presented by
Dr Dorothy Erickson



The talk covers china painting in Western Australia from 1880 to the present day, focusing on the ‘Angels in the Studio’ as the early professionals have been called as well as ‘Dear Emily’, the sobriquet given to the amateurs at the time. There have been so many exponents that just the most influential teachers – such as May Creeth, Flora Landells, Lottie Lapsley, Grace Nicholls, Amy Lakidies and Kitty Drok – will be showcased. A few talented amateurs such as Mavis Sedgley, some of the contemporary masters such as Anne Blake and Heather Tailor, will be highlighted and, if time permits, the stories of the painters of pieces such as those by Jean Agnew held in the Society’s collection will be told.

Artist, art historian, curator and critic, Dr Dorothy Erickson has been researching WA art since the mid 1970s. An internationally exhibiting jeweller, she has combined making with writing and curating, concentrating particularly on the decorative arts. Dorothy has published *Art and Design in WA: Perth Technical College 1900-2000*; *A Joy Forever: the Story of Kings Park*; *Inspired by Light and Land: Designers and Makers in WA 1829-1969*; and recently *A Passion for Silversmithing: Philip Noakes gold and silversmith*. Dorothy was awarded the Heritage Council of WA’s Heritage Award for individual contribution in 2017.

Friday 30 August 10.00 for 10.30am
Venue: Stirling House 49 Broadway Nedlands
Tickets \$20 members, \$25 non members
Bookings essential
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