

ARTIST STATEMENT

HELGA HAGUE

Just as Ratty loved "Messing about in boats," in "Wind in The Willows," I have loved fiddling about with Art and Craft all my life.

I have been always eager to learn more techniques then play around with them in my own way.

I don't agree with that pompous saying, "Jack of All Trades, Master of None." Some people enjoy one art or craft and go into it deeply which is wonderful for them, but it bores me to tears.

So, I am a "Jill of Many Trades," and know how to do and share many types of creative works with others, big and small, to my great delight.

My major works have been,

Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing,

Silk Screening,

Pottery,

Stained Glass and Leadlight, and

Photography.

With the main emphasis these days, on the wide area of Textiles.

I am a fully qualified Primary Teacher and worked as a Primary Art and Craft Specialist Teacher in Western Australia.

My greatest delight these days is in the photography of the treasures of our amazing Snowy Mountains, to both print the photos and also to turn some of them into textile works.

I am delighted that we finally have a lovely gallery in which to display and share the wonderful talents of our local people.

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