

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE6582

## McGrath, Joyce Veronica

(1925 - 2025)

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<b>Born</b>	19251019, Red Cliffs Victoria Australia
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<b>Died</b>	20250913, Melbourne Victoria Australia
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<b>Occupation</b>	Artist, Librarian, Painter
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### Summary

Joyce McGrath was an accomplished portrait painter. She was the first arts librarian at the State Library of Victoria, and received a Churchill Fellowship to travel to arts libraries around the world and investigate their collections. Joyce spent years in hospital as a child with tuberculosis – she emerged with a lifelong love of colour, an incredible sense of humour, and enormous passion and drive for the arts.

### Events

#### 2002 - 2002

Awarded a Medal of the Order of Australia 'for service to the collection and preservation of historical documentation relating to art and music, particularly through the establishment of the Australian Art Archives.'

### Author Details

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