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Scott, Catherine (Margaret) Mary

(1922 - 2019)

Born	19220426, Johannesburg South Africa
Died	20190224, Melbourne Victoria Australia
Occupation	Ballerina, Choreographer

Summary

Margaret Scott was appointed to the Order of the British Empire – Dames Commander on 13 June 1981 for services to ballet. She had previously been appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (Civil) on 31 December 1976.

Events

1981 - 1981
Appointed The Order of the British Empire – Dames Commander

1976 - 1976
Appointed to the Order of the British Empire – Officer (Civil)

1998 - 1998
Awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Green Room Awards

1951 - 1953
Ballet Mistress of Ballet Rambert

1980 - 1982
Board Member of the Australian Dance Theatre

1951 - 1951
Choreographer of *Apollon* (Stravinsky) for the Victorian Ballet Guild

1967 - 1967
Choreographer of *Classical Suite* (Verdi) for the Australian Ballet School

1975 - 1975
Choreographer of *Recollections of a Beloved Place* (Tchaikovsky) for Ballet Victoria

1971 - 1971
Choreographer of *Sonata Classique* (Rossini) for the Australian Ballet School

1963 - 1990
Founding Director of the Australian Ballet School

1988 - 1988
Honorary Life Member of Australian Ballet Foundation

1998 - 1998
Lifetime Achievement Dance Award from Australian Dance

1953 - 1953
Married, Derek Ashworth Denton

1974 - 1975
Member of the Dance Panel for the Theatre Board at Australia Council

1943 - 1948
Principal at Ballet Rambert

1949 - 1949
Principal at National Theatre Victoria

1941 - 1941
Principal at Sadlers Wells Ballet

1953 - 1953
Settled in Australia

1978 - 1978
Victorian Committee Member of the Australian Association of Dance and Education

Published resources

Newspaper Article
Award to head of ballet school, 1981

Edited Book
Who's Who in Australia 2002, Herd, Margaret, 2002

Who's Who of Australian Women, Lofthouse, Andrea, 1982

Book
Sheila Scotter : snaps, secrets and stories from my life, Scotter, Sheila Winnidred Gordon. 1920-, 1998

Site Exhibition
Faith, Hope and Charity Australian Women and Imperial Honours: 1901-1989, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2003,
http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/honours/honours.html

Resource
Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

National Library of Australia, Pictures Collection
National Theatre Ballet performance of Aurora's wedding, 1951-1954 [picture] / Walter Stringer

Portraits of Dame Margaret Scott and Shirley McKechnie [picture] / Lynkushka.

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