

## MARGARET STEPHENSON



- 1945 Born in Switzerland to a swiss mother and an australian dad.
- 1946 Came to Australia on a cargo boat the Bogabilla.
- mid-1950,s Joy Ewart Art Class in Chatswood.
- 1964-65 Lloyd Rees drawing at Sydney University.
- mid 1960's East Sydney Tech. Darlinghurst.
- 1969 My daughter Jennifer Stephenson was born
- 1970's Portrait painting and landscapes with Jerrold Nathan in Turramurra.
- Early 1970's Julian Ashton Art School- Diploma of painting and drawing.
- Le Gay Brereton Art Prize.
- 1974-81 Worked in Commercial Art at Hoffnungs and Stead Bros..
- 1980 married Jeff Nguyen Duc Oanh
- 1981-89 5 more kids; busy with kids and Parramatta Hapkido Martial Arts Club.
- 1994 Diagnosed with M.S. which slowed me right down and for several years. I was unable to draw, difficulty with walking, spacticity, balance etc, Then unexpectedly I went into remission. I gradually regained some abilities.
- Mid 2000's joined Parramatta Art Society after an exhibition at Carlingford Court because of their life drawing group. I enjoy life drawing; it is challenging with different poses, considering composition and using mediums such as graphite, pen/ink, Conte, water colour and oils.