



The
Diana Cooper
Endowment



Diana E.M. Cooper

1943 - 2004

Diana Elizabeth Malcolm Cooper was born and raised in Vancouver, BC.

Diana's passion for the fine arts and teaching was clearly demonstrated by her education and career path. Diana graduated from UBC with a Fine Arts Degree in 1964, and went on to obtain her Bachelor of Library Science in 1965.

As a newly graduated librarian, Diana started her professional career at UBC Library. From 1965 to 2004, she worked as a Fine Arts Reference Librarian. During this time, she facilitated numerous partnerships to build UBC's fine arts collection, dedicating her boundless energy to new projects, exhibits, writing and teaching. Through this process, she built lasting relationships with faculty, staff and students.

Diana was a talented artist and her art included landscapes, still life and cartoons. She often shared her caricatures with her friends and colleagues.

UBC was an important part of Diana's life. She was dedicated to her many UBC colleagues and friends, and to the growth and development of UBC Library.

Diana affected the lives of many individuals through her kindness and infectious passion for art history, which she shared with students, staff and faculty. Indeed, her enthusiasm inspired many students to pursue careers in fine arts or art librarianship.



Illustration by Diana E.M. Cooper

Diana was a vibrant, loving and creative individual. Her interests included opera, classical music, ballet, writing, philosophy, comparative religion, gardening and fashion design.



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