



# MALLY FRANCIS F.L.S.

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Mally resides in a private area in the centre of the Lost Gardens of Heligan where she has a large studio in which she paints as well as teaches on a regular basis. Having lived here for 20 years she has seen Heligan through all seasons and so she knows the wild flowers and trees of the outer estate very well, together with the flowers and shrubs of the Northern gardens.

In the early days Tim Smit asked her to provide all the botanical illustrations for Heligan Wild, a Year of Nature in the Lost Gardens (now out of print). Subsequently she was asked to illustrate Heligan Days, a Perpetual Diary (still available in the Heligan shop).

All of Mally's pictures, both originals and prints, which are for sale in the shop are of seasonal subjects growing at Heligan which have been painted from life.

The pictures are painted with artists' watercolours on good quality paper and the giclée prints are made with fade-resistant, archival inks on archival paper.

Mally is a Fellow of the Chelsea Physic Garden Florilegium Society and she formed a similar Society for the Eden Project in 2000 for which she was elected as a Fellow of the Linnaean Society in 2012.

Mally had the good fortune to be taught her skills in the late 1980s by Anne-Marie Evans FLS and she still follows her principals. Away from her studio she also tutors botanical art at the Eden Project, the Bath Society, the South West Society, Stourhead, Ventnor on the Isle of Wight, Truro Arts, Boconnoc House and Trengwainton Gardens in Cornwall. She tutors artists ranging from complete beginners through to advanced levels and two have been awarded Gold Medals in recent years by the RHS.

Mally has organised a number of exhibitions in Cornwall for her art groups, the most recent commemorated the Heligan gardeners who died in the First World War by showing the flowers, vegetables and animal life with which they would have been familiar. She has also had her own work shown nationally and internationally.

For further details of Mally's regular weekly and short residential painting or drawing courses please make direct contact as follows:

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