



# The Art Students League of New York

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In Memoriam

**Patricia Graham Arrott (1931–2016)**

*Former League Instructor*

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*Drawings by Patricia Graham Arrott, from the League's Permanent Collection*

I met Patricia Graham Arrott when I first took class at the League with Robert Beverly Hale in 1979. I remember how well she drew. During the breaks between the poses, I would look to see what she had done. Her figure studies, mostly in pencil, were beautifully and sensitively depicted. I asked Pat to sponsor me for membership to the League, and I felt proud when she came to the office to sign on my behalf.

Pat's smile was radiant. She had an air of demure innocence and teenage exuberance mixed with the bearing of a sage. Her students adored her. She cared about all of them. She loved to teach and had so much to offer. She loved the League. I know the feeling was mutual.

Some historical data: Pat was selected to serve as a member of the Board of Control in 1989 and was elected vice-president (nominated by women) in 1990. She began teaching at the League first as a substitute for Jack Henderson in the spring of 1993. That fall she was given her own drawing class and continued teaching through 1999. Three of Pat's drawings are part of the school's permanent collection. After she left New York, Pat and her husband, Anthony, maintained their connection to the League through generous donations over the years.

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