

Crawford

William Caldwell

1879 - 1960

His Life

William Caldwell Crawford was born in 1879 at Newbattle near Dalkeith. His father William C. Crawford (1842 - 1918) was an industrialist from Glasgow and his mother was Euphemia Grieve (1843 - 1879) Euphemia died shortly after William was born in 1879 at Newbattle.

His father remarried in 1889 to Isabella Alison Grant (1848 - 1919) in Edinburgh.

He attended Edinburgh Academy and Heriot Watt College, Edinburgh where he studied technical engineering. However, he chose art as a career, rather than engineering and studied in Paris

In the 1901 census in Morningside, Edinburgh, William (aged 21) was a student of Fine Arts living with his family.

He married Janet Margaret Benson in Edinburgh in 1913.

During the 1914-1918 War he enlisted as a motor driver in the RASC.

In the 1920s he shared a studio with Colourist F. C. Cadell in Edinburgh.

He loved the west coast of Scotland and is credited with introducing Cadell and Peploe to Iona.

He designed his own yacht and enjoyed skippering and navigating the west coast and sailing as far away as Scandinavia and France.

In 1940s and 1950's he visited his friend G.P.H. Watson a number of times at **the Old School House, Anwoth near Gatehouse**. Clearly he painted when he was in the Anwoth area.

He died in 1960 in Newington, Edinburgh and is buried in Grange Cemetery, Edinburgh

His Work

3 Caldwell paintings are listed and displayed on [‘In the Artists Footsteps’](#) website

At least 4 Caldwell paintings for sale or sold per [‘Invaluable’](#) website



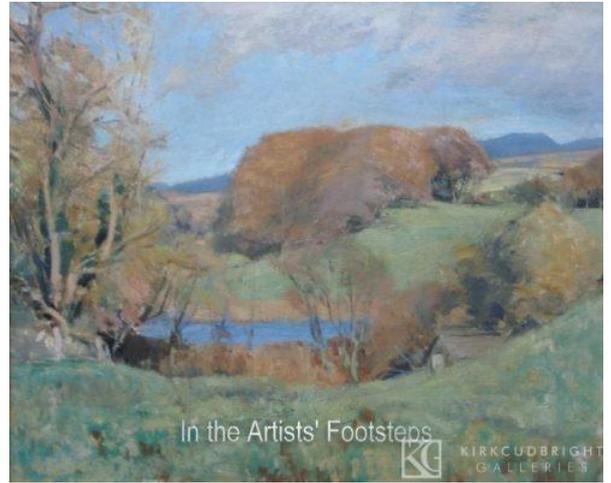
Picnic in East Lothian (1927)
Wife Janet with children Joan and Robert



Summers Day, Kirkcudbrightshire
This is probably at Woodend Loch



Anwoth Woods (from In the Artists Footsteps)



Woodend Loch (from In the Artists Footsteps)