

# Nicoll

## Kate Campbell

1893 - 1980

### Her Life

Kate Campbell Muirhead was born on 9th April 1893 in Perth. Her father was George Muirhead (1861 - 1945) house decorator and her mother was Elizabeth Campbell Farquharson (1863 - 1939).

Kate was educated at Sharp's Institute in Perth.

She was a sculptress but also did drawings of buildings and tombs which she said aided her sculpting. She also sketched flowers.

By 1914 she moved to Edinburgh She won a travelling scholarship from Edinburgh College of Art in 1915 which she used to visit London.

By 1920 she had a studio in Shandwick Place, Edinburgh and the same year won the prestigious Guthrie prize for her sculptured head 'Elizabeth' which was a model of Miss Murray Baillie (Mrs Murray Usher)

In 1924 she married George Stalker Nicoll (born 1892 Carlisle), a medical doctor, in Edinburgh.

In 1939 she and her husband were living at The Cottage, St Thomas, in Devon. Her parents were living with them and her mother was "incapacitated".

Her husband George died in Exeter, Devon in 1953.

By the 1960s, Kate was back living in Edinburgh.

A few years later she moved to Gatehouse and lived at Low Barlay and then Neilson Square, Ann Street.

In the mid 1970s she was living at Bogside, Planetree Park, which was owned by Angus F. Nicoll.

Kate Campbell Nicoll died in 1980 in Gatehouse.

### Her Work

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Self Portrait  
ex Gracefield Arts Centre, Dumfries



Flowers



This is a prize-winning  
bust called  
“The Young Elizabeth”

The subject is Elizabeth  
Murray Baillie