

SEAVIEW

Artist's Death.---One of the Island's foremost artists, the Comtesse Georgette de Malet ROQUEFORT, aged 64, died suddenly at the Royal I.W. County Hospital on Tuesday. She was co-director and co-tutor of the Seaview School of Painting which was founded with Mr. Alfred (Paddy) KERR in 1959. Born in Agen, Southern France, she married the late Comte Hugne de Malet in Paris.

The Comtesse achieved great acclaim on the Continent for her poetry, and during the last war, she had two books published in London. Later she gave up poetry in favour of painting and received her first lesson from Mr. KERR, at a Chelsea art school. After further education in Paris, she specialised in portraiture under the instruction of Bernard ADAMS, also in Chelsea. For more than 20 years, she regularly exhibited at the leading London art exhibitions. During her years on the Island she was a regular contributor to local art exhibitions and some of her work is now on show at the Ryde branch library art gallery. She was at work up to the day before her death.

The funeral service will take place on Monday at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Ryde.
