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Barbara Holt



Barbara A. Holt is a native of Montgomery County and graduated from Mt. Ida High School in 1954. After finishing her B.S. degree at Ouachita Baptist University, she taught home economics, physical education and art in secondary schools in Arkansas, California, and Washington D.C. for seven years. She joined the Peace Corps and served in Chile with the Institute of Rural Education. She received her M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Cornell University, and spent five years abroad teaching, doing research and consulting work for national and international organizations in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

Dr. Holt taught for over 20 years in the School of Vocational Education at LSU in Baton Rouge, then was a county agent for the University of Arkansas for seven.

After retiring for the second time, she moved back to Montgomery County in 2001 and began to spend time renewing an old interest in oil painting. Barbara has focused on the beauty evident in the Ouachita Mountains, especially the wild flowers. She helped create Ouachita Artists in 2011, served as their first president, and still is an active member.