

Norita Wyse Berman

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Norita Wyse Berman, an artist, writer and stockbroker who had been active in the Jewish community, died on Nov. 24. She was 60 years old.

A talented painter, Mrs. Berman's works had been shown in galleries in Cleveland and Pittsburgh. At age 42, Mrs. Berman embarked on a second career when she became a portfolio manager at Merrill Lynch. A board member of the Cleveland Jewish News, Mrs. Berman was an active volunteer for the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland, and was especially involved with the women's campaign of the Jewish Welfare Fund. A graduate of Shaker Heights High School, she attended Mount Holyoke College before earning a bachelor's degree in art history from Case Western Reserve University.

The Norita Wyse Berman Memorial Award for Excellence is an annual award for third or fourth year students attending Cleveland Institute of Art majoring in Painting.