

EDNA MANLEY CHRONOLOGY

1900 March 1st	Born in Bournemouth, England. Fifth child of Harvey and Ellie Swithenbank. (Harvey Swithenbank, a Wesleyan Priest from England on a tour of duty in Jamaica, married Ellie Shearer of Hanover, Jamaica, in 1895. Their first three children were born in Jamaica).	1930 March 27th	Awarded Institute of Jamaica's Silver Musgrave medal for 1929. Woman's International Art Club Exhibition, Suffolk Street Galleries, Pall Mall, London. <i>Torso</i> , and <i>Eve</i> shown.
1914 July 29th September	World War I begins. Meets for the first time, Norman Manley, her cousin from Jamaica, son of her mother's sister, Margaret. Norman, 21 years old at the time, was in England on a Rhodes scholarship to study Law at Oxford.	June-August	Exhibition: <i>Open Air Sculpture</i> , mounted by the London Group on the roof of Selfridges, London. <i>Eve</i> , <i>Ape</i> and other works shown.
1921 June 25th	Marries Norman Manley at Registry Office, Kilburn, witnessed by Vera Manley (Norman's sister) and Lena Swithenbank, Edna's sister.	June	Exhibition: Goupil Galleries Summer Salon, New Burlington Galleries, London. <i>Young Girl and Woman with Basket</i> shown.
1922 May 30th August 18th	First son, Douglas, born. Edna, Norman and Douglas sail for Jamaica.	1932 March 21st	First Exhibition in Jamaica held jointly with Khoren der Harootian at the Jamaica Mutual Life Assurance Society Building in Kingston (Shows three bronzes: <i>Beadseller</i> , <i>Wildcat</i> , <i>Listener</i> , and three wooden sculptures,
August 31st	Family lives for a short time at the home of Leslie Clerk (later to become an important Jamaican sculptor) on Retirement Crescent, St. Andrew. Travels to Mandeville - sketches in the Mandeville market. Returns to Kingston - to their own flat on Hope Road. Models <i>Beadseller</i> , her first Jamaican work.	1935	<i>Negro Aroused</i> and <i>Prophet</i> carved.
1924 February	<i>Beadseller</i> exhibited with the Society of Women Artists, London, England. Creates <i>Wisdom</i> and <i>Ape</i> , first wood carvings.	1937 January 18th	First one-person exhibition, Jamaica Mutual Life Assurance Building, Kingston.
December 10th	Second son, Michael, is born.	March 2nd	One-person exhibition: French Gallery, London, opened by Sir Hugh Wolpole.
1928	Exhibits for the first time with London Group, New Burlington, London, England.	1938 September 18	People's National Party launched - Edna Manley is a founding member.
		1941 October	Begins teaching art classes at Junior centre, Institute of Jamaica. Awarded first ever Gold Musgrave Medal.
		1943 July 8th	Edits first volume of magazine, "Focus".
		1948 March 1st	One-person exhibition, Doorley Memorial Hall, YMCA, Kingston.

1953		1972	
January 12th	People's National Party wins General Elections and Norman Manley becomes Chief Minister.	February	People's National Party wins general elections. Michael Manley becomes Prime Minister.
November 10	Tercentenary Exhibition of Sculpture and Drawing: Art Gallery, Institute of Jamaica, opened by Richard Barthe.	1975	
1958		September 4th	Exhibition: Ten Jamaican Sculptors, Commonwealth Institute, London, England. Represented by 32 works.
April	Visits Trinidad and Tobago with Norman for opening of Federal Parliament and <i>First Federal Exhibition of Arts and Crafts</i> .	October	Wayne Brown's book, <i>Edna Manley: The Private Years, 1900-1938</i> , published in London.
1960		1977	
December 15th	One-person exhibition of drawings at Hills Galleries, Kingston.	March	One-person exhibition: " <i>Edna Manley. Selected Sculptures and Drawings, 1922-1976</i> ", Mutual Life Centre, Kingston
1961		1980	
August	Travelling Exhibition: <i>Face of Jamaica</i> , in Germany and London.		Edna Manley Portfolio, suite of six silk-screens executed in collaboration with the National Gallery of Jamaica and Marco Rigau of Puerto Rico.
1965	Commissioned by Jamaica National Trust Commission to create a statue of Paul Bogle to commemorate the centenary of the Morant Bay Rebellion.	April 14th	Exhibition: <i>Edna Manley: The Seventies</i> , National Gallery of Jamaica, Kingston.
1967	<i>Eve with Serpent</i> presented by the University of the West Indies to visiting Prime Minister of Canada, the Hon. Lester Pearson.	April 14th	Order of Merit conferred by Governor General, H.E. The Most Honourable Florizel Glasspole
1968	Carves <i>Grief of Mary</i> for Holy Cross Church, Kingston.	May 16th	Edna Manley, along with Sir Philip Sherlock and C.L.R. James inducted as first Fellows of the Institute of Jamaica
1969		1983	
February 9th	Farewell address by Norman Manley. Michael Manley elected President of the people's National Party.	June	Exhibition: Jamaican Art 1922-1982, organised by the Smithsonian Institution Travelling Exhibition Services and the National Galley of Jamaica, begins its tour in Washington, D.C. Edna Manley represented by <i>Beadseller, Horse of the Morning, Ancestor and Negro Aroused III</i> .
September 2nd	Norman Manley dies at "Regardless".	1987	
September 7th	State Funeral of Norman Washington Manley; buried at National Heroes Park.	February 10th	Edna Manley dies at "Regardless".
September 15	Order of National Hero conferred on Norman Manley and Alexander Bustamante.	February 15th	Official funeral. Buried in the tomb of Norman Manley.
1970		November 9th	<i>Edna Manley Memorial Collection</i> of the National Gallery launched.
February 26th	One-person exhibition: "Looking Back", Bolivar Gallery. Thirty-five drawings exhibited. Exhibition opened by Rex Nettleford.	1990	
1971			Full scale Retrospective, National Gallery of Jamaica with 202 works shown.
December 6th	One-person exhibition: "Edna Manley: Fifty Years a Sculptor", Bolivar Gallery, Kingston.		<i>Edna Manley: Sculptor</i> , by David Boxer published.