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## **OBITUARY**

## MISS NINA HAMNETT

Miss Nina Hamnett, 65, the sculptress and painter, who fell from a window in her flat on Thursday, died in Paddington general hospital on Sunday. She was 65.

Miss Hamnett was born in Tenby, South Wales, and studied at the London School of Art where she was a silver medalist. After the First World War she exhibited at many London galleries: her portrait of Lytton Strachey hangs in the National Portrait Gallery.

With Osbert Sitwell, she produced a satirical book on London statues and she published to autobiographical books, "Laughing Torso" (the subject of a libel action in 1934, when the late Aleister Crowley alleged that it imputed that he had practised "black magic"; he lost his action) and, early this year, "Is she a Lady?"