

Miami Watercolor Society



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2015 Calendar of Events

April 30 10-11:30 am	Spring Exhibition Pick Up Wirtz Gallery, South Miami
May 17 1:30-3:30 pm	General Meeting Demo by Richard Meister
June 16 10-11:30 am	Signature Exhibition Drop Off Pinecrest Gardens, Hibiscus Room 5855 SW 111 Street Pinecrest FL 33156
TBD	Signature Exhibition Opening
July 31 10-11:30 am	Signature Exhibition Pick Up Pinecrest Gardens, Hibiscus Room

Welcome New Members

Pedro Alvarez
Mara Austin
Nicole Chin
Katherine Leathers



Have something to include?

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Happy Mother's Day!

President's Message

364 days of mom-duty, one day of mom-time...
Spend the day in your Studio.

No breakfast in bed.

Don't read the paper or answer the phone.
Email is forbidden.

Oh and If you're a dad, your turn is in June.

In your studio, discover your next treasure. It's probably hidden under a pile of books and magazines or behind your ½ finished 'attempts'. You'll find an image, a trinket, an idea, whatever waiting for you in your studio. The challenge is to know it when you see it.

I keep a basket full of pictures I've taken over the years. When I'm between paintings I often pull it out and sift through the



photos. On more than one occasion I have come across an image that I've looked at and put back over and over again. But this time, something resonates with me and I am ready to take the challenge.

Painting, a stroke of genius,

Diane Lary, MWS President

Thank you for all the wonderful words and prayers sent over the past two weeks. Your thoughts helped in my time of need.

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Pinecrest Community Center • 5855 SW 111 Street, Pinecrest FL 33156

Second Sunday of each month, September through May. 1:30 – 3:30 P.M. Public is welcome.

Upcoming Events

May General Meeting with a demo by Richard Meister

Sunday, May 17 at 1:30 pm
at Pinecrest Community Center

Richard asks that you please bring your portable paints and paper for an exercise in still life painting.

Richard K. Meister is a full-time artist dedicated to the methods of traditional and representational oil painting for his still-life and landscapes, but he will develop other styles and let the painting dictate its direction to completion. Richard started painting in oils in 2000 and his art education has come by self-direction and independent study from putting miles of paint down on canvas. He is constantly pushing the boundaries of chiaroscuro in his paintings. However, he desires to paint a picture that is aesthetically pleasing and one that would be a compliment to any collection. Although Richard K. Meister studied under his mentor and friend Joaquin Godoy, a prominent Cuban artist, for several years, he is influenced by other artists such as David A. Leffel, Jeff Legg, and Elizabeth Robbins for his still-lives and Dennis Sheehan for his landscapes.



Membership Renewal Reminder!

Membership renewal is/was **due by March 1st**. If you haven't renewed by then, your name will be dropped from the mailing and reminder list that sends info about upcoming events and shows. If you have any questions please contact Bettyann Pober at bapart1@mac.com

Proposed Changes to MWS Bylaws

Sec. 2 / A. Dues shall be paid annually on or before January 1st of each year, in an amount set by the Executive Board, and become delinquent if not paid by March 1st of each year.

B. Non-payment of dues within the calendar year terminates membership status, including Participating and/or Signature status.

C. A member may reinstate Participating and/or Signature member status, up to the past three (3) years, by fulfilling the membership requirements again and paying current dues in addition to past due memberships.

D. Any person (INSERT BELOW) joining the Society ~~after the Fall Exhibition deadline~~ and before January 1st will pay no dues again until January 1st of the subsequent year; after which the member's anniversary date will revert to the traditional January 1st payment date.

Changes for SECTION 2D:

ANY PERSON, WHO WAS NEVER A MEMBER OF MWS, JOINING THE SOCIETY IN SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER, AND BEFORE JANUARY 1ST, WILL PAY NO DUES AGAIN UNTIL JANUARY 1ST OF THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR; AFTER WHICH THE MEMBER'S ANNIVERSARY DATE WILL REVERT TO THE TRADITIONAL JANUARY 1ST PAYMENT DATE.

2015 Signature Show

Our Signature show will be at the **Pinecrest Gardens, Hibiscus Room** from June 16 through July 31. This is a great opportunity for Signature members to promote their art works! Signature shows may include previously entered paintings but they should not have been shown in the Spring show. Please submit only art work from the previous two years.

Apply online, <http://miamiwatercolor.org/happenings/exhibitions/> Cost is \$10. Send a check in and email the images or you can enter through the form online.

Dates: Drop off; Tuesday, May 16, 10 to 11:30 am.
Pinecrest Gardens, Hibiscus Room
5855 SW 111 Street, Pinecrest FL 33156

Opening date to be determined

Pick up July 31 from 10 to 11:30 am.

Your support is needed to make this show a success!

Condolences

On behalf of the Miami Watercolor Society members we send sincere condolences to our president, Diane Lary, who's father, Mr. John E. Brede, passed away on April 14, 2015. Services will be held in his home state of Michigan at McCabe Funeral home on May 16, 2015. In memorial, donations to the American Heart Association can be made. See site: <https://donatenow.heart.org> <http://www.mccabefuneralhome.com/obituaries/details/1453>

Sadly, Dottie Greene's granddaughter, Amy Brown, passed away on Saturday, May 2nd. Funeral services held May 7th in St. Augustine, FL.

Lesli Brown's father, James Brown, passed away April 27th. Lesli is the Advertising & Publicity chairman for MWS. Services will be at St. Thomas Episcopal Church on May 9th at 10:30.

Fall Workshop

Capturing the Personality of People and Pets in Watercolor

by Suzanna Winton

October 12-15, 2015

at Suniland Park

This workshop is designed to help the beginner to the advanced student, learn how to capture the personality of people and pets in watercolor.

The first day of the workshop will consist of learning what colors to use and how to layer them in a chart to achieve glowing skin tones. You will learn how each layer depends on the next to create luminous colors.

We will then focus on the main features of the face (eyes,

nose, mouth), in a variety of shapes and colors. By painting the main features, this prepares you to paint the full subject later in the class.

The Instructor will also paint a pet as you follow along painting the same subject or you may bring the pet subject of your choice. We will cover all the many similarities there are in painting pets and people using a limited palette.



Suzanna Winton



For more than 22 years Suzanna Winton has captured the essence of the human soul through her watercolor portraits. She has been teaching for 15 years and often jury's Art Exhibitions. She is the recipient of over 40 awards and has been featured in many national and international publications. These

publications include *Splash 6*, *The Artist's Magazine*, *American Artist*, *Watercolor Magic*, *Watercolor Basics*, *Watercolor Artist's* and *Pratique De Arts* (A French Watercolor Magazine). The staff of *The Artist's Magazine* lists her as "An artist on the rise and one of 20 artists who we believe are destined to be master painters of the future" (01/04). Suzanna is a signature member of the National Watercolor Society, Florida Watercolor Society, Southern Watercolor Society, and Watercolor West. Her work is in many Corporate and private collections.

Dates: October 12-15, 2015

Location: Suniland Park

12855 Pinecrest Parkway (US1), Pinecrest FL

Time: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Early Bird Prices:

MWS Members \$315

Non-members \$375 (join MWS and save \$15)

Prices after September 30th:

MWS Members \$345

Non-members \$405 (join MWS and save \$15)

Beginner Classes

Beginner Watercolor Classes are offered by MWS member / teachers. Various techniques are taught, depending on the teacher that month. We offer instruction in acrylics and watercolors with subject matter from architecture to flora and fauna of South Florida. They are held the 3rd Sunday of the month, 12:30-3:30 at Pinecrest Community Center. Visit the MWS website under Happenings/Watercolor Classes to register, pay and receive the class supply list. Class fee is \$25 for Members. New members get 1 free class.

Instructor

Sept. 20 TBA
Oct 18 Jan De Jong
Nov. 15 Pauline Goldsmith *Botanicals*

Newsletter Notes

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Any member wishing to advertise art-related events should either use our "3 For Free" newsletter advertising or purchase ad space.

Members Who Teach

Ruth Biel 305-666-6289	Kathryn Ford 305-252-2308
Jaimie Cordero 786-303-5293	Marilyn Johansen 954-943-5492
Dottie Greene 305-666-6311	Lynda Wellens 305-233-0910
Sandy Levy 305-978-6701	Linda Van Leer 786-427-9699
Sandra Walsh 305-508-4041	Donna Underwood 305-238-1289
Jane Tinney 305-666-5540	

Sunshine

Don't forget to contact Sunshine Chairman Nancy Viar, 305-666-8474, for any cheering up that needs to be spread among our members.



MWS on Facebook!

In case you did not know, MWS is on Facebook and If you have a Facebook page, please look up **MWS-Miami**

Watercolor Society and give the page a "like". You can then invite your friends to like us also. You and your friends will be able to stay informed on all MWS happenings plus enjoy the photos and tips that we share! We have reached 534 likes.

www.facebook.com/MiamiWatercolorSociety

Hospitality

Members' culinary creations are ALWAYS welcome and very much appreciated at the Hospitality table. If you wish to bring a dish to share, please coordinate with Jemma Wong at (305) 253-4770 (H), (305) 812-5057 (C), or jeddawong@comcast.net.

MWS 2015 Executive Board Members and Committee Chairs

Seeking volunteers to Co-chair Executive positions.
Please contact MWS President, Diane Lary

EXECUTIVE BOARD

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Contact information can be found in the Membership Directory online

Kuddos to Our Members!



Cathy Allsman has gone NATIONAL! Her painting "Moon Ladders Rising" has been accepted into the NATIONAL Watercolor Society show! The judge is the amazing Carol Carter. Great accomplishment Cathy!!

42nd Annual 2015 Spring Exhibit

Was held at the Wirtz Gallery in South Miami. Congrats to **Diane Lary** for winning Best in Show! First Place went to **Jorge León**, Second place to **Marilyn Valiente** and Third place to **Jan De Jong**.



Diane Lary's Best in Show, *Bugle Berry Bop*

Signature award to **JoAnne Allison**. Leaty Aronson Memorial award to **Gail Schrack**. First Honorable Mention to **Terry Arroyo Mulrooney**. Second Honorable Mention to **Marilyn LeMay**. Third Honorable Mention to **Rita C. Szopinski**. Fourth Honorable Mention to **Thomas Rebek**.



Gail Schrack with *Imaginary Flowers*

You are invited to **Terry Arroyo Mulrooney's** show, **An Ancient Sacred Village in Pinecrest** May 15 to June 15, 2015
Reception: Saturday, May 16, 2015 6pm to 9pm
Pinecrest Gardens



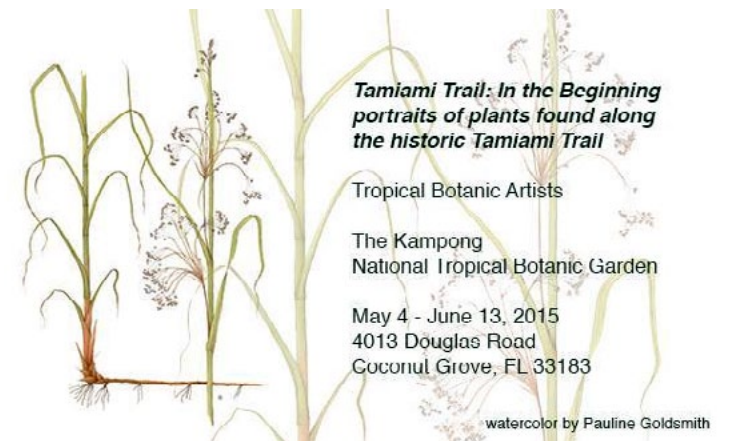
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EXHIBITION AND SALE BY
MEMBERS OF THE
MIAMI WATERCOLOR SOCIETY
April 13 - May 3
Reception
Tuesday, April 21, 2015
6:00 PM To 10:00 PM
Come And Meet The Artists!

ALL ORIGINAL ART
Elen Bayer • Beverly Borland
Leslie Brophy • Judy Brown
Lesli Brown • Rosie Brown
Elizabeth Chacon • Pat Collins
Ann Donaudy • Bobbie Garber
Pauline Goldsmith • Vivian Gomez
Perla Gonzalez • Ruth Karp
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Twenty members of Miami Watercolor Society exhibited their paintings through May 3 at **Frames USA & Art Gallery**.



Tamiami Trail: In the Beginning portraits of plants found along the historic Tamiami Trail

Tropical Botanic Artists

The Kampong
National Tropical Botanic Garden

May 4 - June 13, 2015
4013 Douglas Road
Coconut Grove, FL 33183

watercolor by Pauline Goldsmith

with **Pauline Goldsmith, Beverly Borland, Bobbi Garber and Jemma Wong**.

Congratulations, **Rosie Brown Artworks!** Her watercolors on home decor and cross stitch kits!



Jorge Leon won the Watercolor Society of Alabama & The Blick Art Materials award for his painting, *Intrinsic Value*.

Library Corner

by Pat Collins at pcollins1@bellsouth.net

Signing Your Paintings

Most people agree that a painting should be signed; yet the manner in which paintings are signed varies broadly. Some artists use only their first name; others use only their last name. Some use initials; others use a symbol or monograph. Some add a date; others do not.

The purpose for signing a painting is to denote the creator of the work. Paintings without a signature are worthless, as are signatures that are illegible. Have you ever seen a published book with an illegible author's name? Did you know that there is an entire industry whose purpose is identifying illegible signatures on paintings?

How you choose to sign your paintings is your business, however, experts suggest making it easier on yourself, your heirs, and the buying public by following these guidelines:

- Decide how you will sign your paintings and sign them the same way every time. One expert suggests that because of identity theft; consider using a signature not identical to the one with which you sign legal papers.
- Ensure that your signature is legible and proportionate to the art. Avoid making flashy, sloppily written, or sloping signatures. Your signature should not be the focal point of the painting! A poorly executed signature will detract from the art. Make your signature readable by anybody, not just the people who know you. If you must use initials, partial names, monograms or other symbols, clearly identify yourself elsewhere on the art.
- Use the same medium in which you created the work to sign it. If you make a mistake you can fix it more easily than if you used an indelible marker. (Prints are handled differently.)
- Sign your painting discreetly on the bottom right or left and positioned so a mat or frame won't cover it.
- Sign your art as soon as it is finished and while the paint is still wet because this will embed the signature making it more difficult for someone to alter and this will also make the signature more harmonious with the rest of the painting.

• Date your painting because doing so helps to establish your progression and development over time and is helpful in establishing the authenticity and value of your works of art. Nonetheless, some people believe that putting a date beside a signature on the front of a painting adversely affects sales. A better approach may be to write the date on the reverse side of the painting.

References: Art Business.com, Artpromotivate.com, Draw-Pj.com, Art Education, and numerous workshop instructors.

Next: *Title, Number, Explain & Document your Art*
Comments or Suggestions? Contact Pat Collins at pcollins1@bellsouth.net

Florida Watercolor Society Convention 2015

www.floridawatercolorssociety.org or 4bit4fws@gmail.com



Annual Members' Juried Show

Leepa Rattner Museum of Fine Art - Sept 6 - Nov 1

Convention & Trade-show

2 days of DEMOS and great prices on ART SUPPLIES
Oct 1- 4 at St Petersburg Marriott Clearwater
near St Pete airport. Hotel provides shuttle service
from St Pete and Tampa airports.



Workshops

with Award Winning Instructors



Morten E. Solberg
Juror & Instructor
www.mortenesolberg.com
Sept 28 - Oct 1



Jean Pederson
www.jeanpederson.com
Sept 28 - Oct 1

Vladislav Yeliseyev
<http://artist.yeliseyev.com>
Oct 1

There are many reasons to come early or stay longer. St Petersburg is home to the Dali Museum, the Chihuly Collection, The Museum of Fine Art that will be celebrating its 50 year with an international exhibition. And don't forget the award winning beaches close by. www.stpete.org/ThingsToDo/

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Our Mission...

The Miami Watercolor Society, Inc. is a non-profit organization whose membership consists of a broad spectrum of water media painters ranging from professionals, teachers and those who simply paint for the joy of it, as well as patrons of the arts. This culturally diverse Society informs and educates members and others by providing exhibitions, community education, students' exhibitions, senior citizens' activities, demonstrations, and publications.

Providing over 30 years of artistic inspiration for water media artists!

April 2015 MWS Meeting Notes



There was a a great turnout at our April MWS general meeting with a demo by Eydi Lampasona featuring Golden products. We learned about Golden paint products, techniques and Eydi shared studio tips. Everyone enjoyed the samples! Thank you, Eydi.

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\$180 / 9 issues

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\$360 / 9 issues

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Reminder: The Members Directory is available on the new website under the *Members Only* heading.

Please be informed MWS members are not authorized to use the information on the Members Directory for solicitation purposes.

2015 is the last year MWS will offer members, at an additional fee, the ability to receive a printed newsletter.