

Miami Watercolor Society



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WATER MARKS

MAY 2016

2016 Calendar of Events

- April 25 to May 6** Registration open for Signature Show
Please register online.
- May 15** General Meeting: 1:30 - 3 PM
Demo by Kathy Bensabat
- June 1** Drop off for Signature Members Show
10 - 11:30 AM
- June 1-30** Signature Members Show
CAS Gallery, UM Campus
- June 3** Signature Members Show Opening
7 - 9 PM CAS Gallery in the Wesley
Foundation building, UM Campus
- June 27** Signature Members Show Take Down
Pick up paintings 10 - 11:30 AM
- Sept. 11** General Meeting: 1:30 - 3 PM
Demo by Celia Buchanan



Jaimie Cordero's "Diane's Orchids," has been accepted into the new book: "Splash 18!", a yearly publication of the latest and best in watercolor. Congrats, Jaimie!

Have something to include?

To get a news item into the next issue of the MWS newsletter, submit your copy to Kim Foster at kfdesign@bellsouth.net **one week before the end of the month.**

How to become a MWS Signature Member

To be accepted as a Signature Member the artist must have been accepted into one juried Spring or Fall Exhibition per calendar year, with a total of three acceptances over a span of maximum 6 calendar years. Only one show per year counts towards Signature Membership.

Happy Mother's Day!

President's Message

What is your biggest challenge when painting? Is it the choice of colors, subject, size, feeling? My biggest obstacle is not just what I'm going to paint, but how. I don't mean how am I going to apply the paint or which colors to use, but more like, 'How do I turn an ordinary subject, like bamboo, musical instruments or life guard shacks, into something extraordinary?' How do you give it that extra pizzazz, spark, 'je ne sais quoi'? This, in my opinion, is the ultimate challenge. It is not typically something that comes to me quickly. It often seems that I get several ideas about how I could represent the subject, but then the ideas evolve, changing over time, until something clicks and I get that "aha" moment. It doesn't always happen, but when it does, I can't wait to get the idea on paper.

So I challenge you to take your next subject idea, let it steep, simmer, transform and mature into what you can't wait to paint.

Painting, a stroke of genius,

Diane Lary, MWS President



That Knot's Yours by Diane Lary

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.

Enter the MWS Signature Show

CAS Gallery on the UM Campus
Wesley Foundation Building
1210 Stanford Drive, Coral Gables FL

This year's Signature Show will be at the CAS Gallery in the Wesley Foundation building on the UM campus. Please register online. This gallery will retain 40% of the sale of an artwork, so, please price it accordingly.

Entrance fee is \$10

Important dates:

- **Registration for signature members: April 25 to May 6**
- If we have more spaces available, registration will open to all members from **May 7 – May 13.**
- **Wed. June 1 from 10 to 11:30 AM will be intake** and installation will follow.
- **The opening is Fri. June 3 from 7 to 9 PM.** There will be music and some members will be asked to bring wine to go with our snacks.
- **The show will be from June 2 to June 26** and take down/**pick up is Mon. June 27 from 10 to 11:30 AM.**

If you are willing and able to help with the take in/installation and the take down, please let Jan De Jong know at Deand11347@aol.com This is a great learning experience and extra help is needed for this show to be a success.

Facebook

www.facebook.com/MiamiWatercolorSociety

Our **Facebook** page continues to attract followers. We are happy to announce that we have a total of 649 followers. Visit the page to learn about Miami Watercolor Society members in art show, invitations to receptions and more!

We are also on **Twitter**, you can follow us @miamiwater.

You Tube

We have a few videos available for viewing on You Tube.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2dkh84zVIQU>
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VqFIH_PKKR8
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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=884R_ljJL3I
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bAC2H23Agbc>

Looking Ahead

The 31st annual "Impressions in Watercolor" **Student Exhibition** is scheduled for November 7 through December 9, 2016, at the Dave and Mary Alper Jewish Community Center located at 11155 SW 112 Avenue.

The Opening Awards Ceremony will take place Thursday, November 17, 2016, from 6 - 8 p.m.

Member Spotlight: Sal Sidner



Mikey on the Terrace by Sal Sidner

Sal Sidner is a Miami based artist. She is a vice president of Miami Watercolor Society, and arranges demonstrations for members. She is a member of Palm Beach Plein Air, the International Caucus of Womens' Caucus for Art, and the Museum of Women Artists in Washington DC. Her public art includes murals in Liberty City, and Gainesville, and sculptures at Sunrise mall in Florida. Her commissions include writing, producing and directing the play "Finding My Way" at the Fontainebleau, Miami Beach. Sal has been a guest artist in the United Arab Emirates, consulting on a womens' empowerment project, and has completed juried artists residencies in Italy, France, and India. She travels in the summer and will lead watercolor groups in Europe. She is also scheduled to paint a mural in Greece about women, the ocean the environment. Her work has been shown at Pico House, Los Angeles, Delray Museum, Latin Culture Center Miami, Coral Gables Museum, University of Florida, Miami Art University, Municipal Art Gallery, Assisi, Chocolate and Art Fair, Wynwood. She has won plein air prizes at the Deering estate, Ft Myers Beach, and Delray. Sal also teaches art in Miami Dade Public Schools.



Sal Sidner

Beginner Classes

There will not be a Beginner's Watercolor Class offered in May. 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.

Introducing MWS May meeting demo artist, Kathy Bensabat

Kathy Bensabat is an accomplished artist, living and working in Winter Park, FL. Kathy is known for the tropical look and feel of her paintings. She creates watercolor and oil paintings which have been featured in local art galleries, festivals and shows. Kathy's work was featured on the cover of the May 2011 issue of Winter Park Magazine. Kathy also teaches in Casselberry, FL and offers private lessons in her home.



Paint Outs will be back beginning in October.

We have plans to visit Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden and the Deering Estate in the fall of 2016. Dates and times will be announced in September.

Take this opportunity to get involved!

The Hospitality committee chair position is still open! Also, Pat Collins, the MWS Librarian is traveling a lot and will be missing pretty much all meetings so she has to step down from it. Please consider volunteering for the Librarian committee chair position. Please call Diane Lary at 305-607-5447 or e-mail her at outpostart@aol.com

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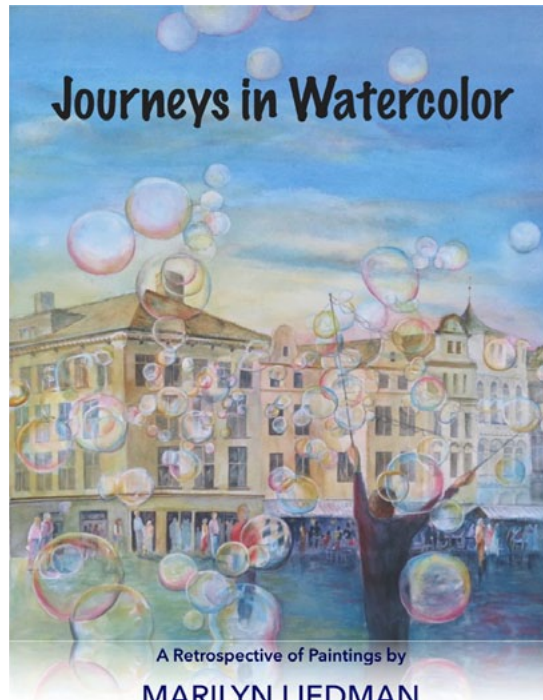
Contact **Sunshine Chairman** Nancy Viar, 305-666-8474, for any cheering up that needs to be spread among our members.



Ladders Surrounding by Cathy Allsman

Congratulations, Cathy Allsman!

Cathy Allsman's painting "Ladders Surrounding" has been accepted into SPLASH 18 – a yearly publication of the latest and best in watercolor.



You are cordially invited to attend the opening of a Solo Exhibition, a retrospective of paintings from my travels ...

Sunday, May 15
3:00 to 5:00 pm
at the
Delray Public Library
100 West Atlantic
Avenue
Delray Beach, Florida

Hope to see you there.
Warm Regards,
Marilyn Liedman

A Retrospective of Paintings by
MARILYN LIEDMAN

May 15 - July 13, 2016

Opening Event: Sunday, May 15, 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Delray Beach Public Library
100 West Atlantic Avenue
Delray Beach, Florida

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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.

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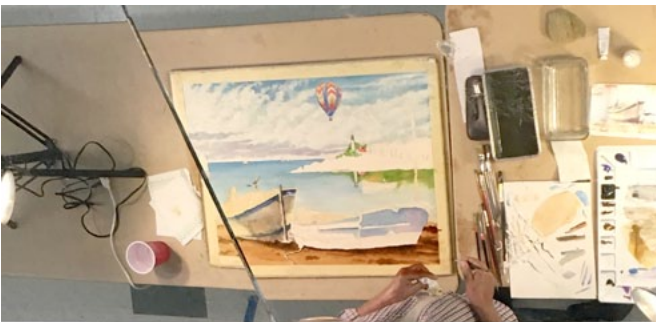
The Miami Watercolor Society, Inc. is a non-profit organization whose membership consists of a broad spectrum of water media painters ranging from professionals, teachers and those who simply paint for the joy of it, as well as patrons of the arts. This culturally diverse Society informs and educates 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!



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April 2016 MWS Meeting Notes



Watercolor Artist, **John Bowen** demonstrated at the April meeting his technique of using both transparent and opaque watercolors to patiently glaze different sections of his painting to achieve very dramatic and detailed results. He starts by drawing a very detailed sketch on 300 lb Archival paper. Then he randomly chooses a section to start painting by glazing, observing, then glazing a different section and observing some more. He continues over time to glaze sections of his paintings until he feels they are done paying close attention to the highlights and shadows to create a mood that initially inspired him. Thank you John!

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