

### 2020 Calendar of Events

- March 8 Intake Spring Exhibit judging**  
10 -11:30 am Evelyn Greer Park  
**MWS General Meeting 1:30 - 3:30 pm**  
Evelyn Greer Park  
Anne Abgott demos at our meeting!
- Mar. 9-12 Anne Abgott Workshop**  
Evelyn Greer Park
- Mar. 26 Paint-Out Diane Lary's Jungle Outpost**  
9:30 am -1:30 pm
- April 1 Intake of accepted artwork at Wirtz Gallery,** 10 am -11:30 am
- April 3 Spring Show Opening Reception at Wirtz Gallery,** 6 pm -8 pm
- April 30 Painting pick-up at the Wirtz Gallery**  
10 am -11:30 am
- April 22 Paint-Out at Cape Florida Lighthouse, Key Biscayne** 9:30 am-1:30 pm

**Membership Renewal**  
is from January 1 through March 1, 2020.

## Anne Abgott AWS, NWS to demo at MWS March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting



## Paint-Out in Paradise!

Dear Members,

We all live in South Florida. What better place is there to paint outside with like minded friends? Our Paint-Out chair, Yvette Cotera, has done a fabulous job organizing monthly outings to beautiful locations in our neighborhood. Bring your art supplies, folding chair, easel, bug spray, sun block, hat, water bottle, sunglasses and a bagged lunch. Yvette has led the group to Matheson Hammock Park, The Thalatta Estate, The Barnacle, Cape Florida, Fairchild Botanical Garden and many other great locations. Participating in a Paint-Out is a perfect opportunity to meet other members of MWS and practice your plein air painting skills. Try it! \*\*\* Yvette has taken a new position on the Board and we need someone to organize upcoming Paint-Outs. Let us know if you are interested.  
– **Andi Miller** and **Cathy Miller**, co-presidents

**Sunday, March 8 – Intake for judging the awards – drop off paintings between 10 am & 11:30 am at Evelyn Greer Park, 8200 SW 124th Street, Pinecrest, FL 33156.**

## Jan De Jong to teach rice paper batik watercolor class on March 15<sup>th</sup>

Learn something new!  
See page 3.



### MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

**March 2020 meeting ONLY! Evelyn Greer Park • 8200 SW 124 Street, Pinecrest FL 33156**  
Second Sunday of each month, September through April. 1:30 – 3:30 P.M. Public is welcome.

# Spring Workshop '20

**Anne Abgott, AWS, NWS**

[www.aneabgott.com](http://www.aneabgott.com)

**March 9-12, 2020**

**Evelyn Greer Park,  
8200 SW 124th Street  
Pinecrest, FL 33156**

Anne Abgott, AWS, NWS, has the number one selling watercolor book, "Daring Color". Anne will be doing a four day workshop. She will focus on a different one of her paintings and painting style each day. Anne will be teaching her famous "Daring Color" technique of dropping color into color. You will learn about pigments and color mingling. She will also teach computer-altered images and how to use your computer to make your photo into an award winning painting.

Supply List will be on-line at [miamiwatercolor.org/happenings/workshops/](http://miamiwatercolor.org/happenings/workshops/)  
**SIGN UP FOR THE SPRING WORKSHOP ON LINE!**



**Last  
Call!**

**March 9 - 12, 2020 • 9:00 am - 4:00 pm**

Evelyn Greer Park 8200 SW 124th St. Pinecrest, FL 33156

**Early Bird Prices through February 28, 2020:**

MWS Members \$345

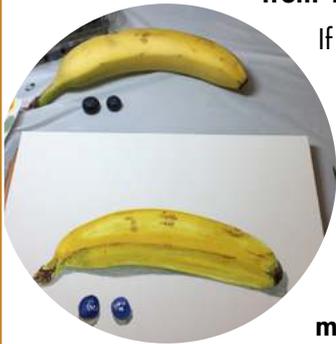
Non-members \$405 (join MWS and save \$15)

**Prices as of March 1** MWS Members \$375

Non Members \$435

## Watercolor Classes

Watercolor Classes are offered by MWS members in a relaxed and comfortable setting. These classes are taught by our most accomplished and awarded watercolor artists. We offer instruction for all levels on various techniques and subjects. Make sure you look at the newsletter every month to see what the teacher will focus on. **You never know how much more you can stretch as an artist, so join us on the third Sunday afternoon of the month at the Pinecrest Community Center from 12:30-3:30!**



If you'd like to take the class and plan to attend the monthly meeting, you may also pay at the meeting. **Class fee: \$25 for members/\$35 for non-members.**

If you have not paid in advance, you can go on the 3rd Sunday of the month and pay a member of the board, who will be there to receive your payment. New members receive one free class when they join, which must be used in the first year of joining. For up-to-date information, visit [miamiwatercolor.org/calendar/](http://miamiwatercolor.org/calendar/) REGISTER ON-LINE.

**NO watercolor class in December, May, June, July, and August.**



*Beach Fun* by Jan De Jong

## Jan De Jong to teach painting March 15<sup>th</sup>

### Rice paper batik

Rice paper batik uses melted wax as a resist. This is a unique process that encourages creativity and problem solving. It also stresses the need to understand negative space and the use of transparent color. Because the paper needs to be dry before you can add wax, we will make several small paintings. Texture is also important with this process. Not only the texture of the thin rice paper, but also the textured patterns achievable with melted wax.

This class offers something new if you feel like you are in a creative "rut". A beginner will also learn many of the basics through this fun process.

Go on-line to [miamiwatercolor.org](http://miamiwatercolor.org) for a list of materials to bring with you for the class.

<https://miamiwatercolor.org/events/watercolor-abstract-class-february-16-2020/>

If you haven't attended a MWS class recently, they are geared to challenge watercolor artists of all levels – not just beginners. A 3-hour class in watercolor technique is a bargain at \$25 for members.

Jan De Jong

# Time to renew your MWS membership

## Just \$45 to renew your MWS membership

Membership Renewal is from January 1 through March 1, 2020. If you have paid your previous dues between September and the end of December, you are still a member in good standing until January.

Membership dues are \$45 per year. Teachers get the first year of their membership for \$25 and thereafter for \$45 per year. Students may join for an annual rate of \$15.

The period for renewal is between January 1st and March 1st. Those who join between September 1 and December 31, are exempt from dues the following year. For example, if you paid in October, 2018, you must pay between January and March of 2020.

### You can renew in one of 3 ways:

- 1) **On-Line:** <https://miamiwatercolor.org/membership-application/>
- 2) **Pay at the general meeting with a check, cash or a credit card**
- 3) **Mail a check to:**  
Miami Watercolor Society  
P.O. Box 561953  
Miami, Florida 33256-1953

Non-payment of dues within the calendar year terminates membership status, including Signature status. A member may reinstate their status up to the past three years by fulfilling dues in addition to the past due membership.

If you have any questions, please contact **Fabiano Santos** at [fabianolaptop@yahoo.com](mailto:fabianolaptop@yahoo.com).

The South Miami Art Festival organized by the SM Rotary was great fun and a super venue for promoting MWS. We talked with several prospective new members and many interested people. Special thanks to Wendy Kornfield and Jan DeJong for helping at the table. Pat Collins and Wendy Kornfield are pictured at right. – Pat Collins



# February 2020 MWS Meeting Report



Thank you **Marilyn Valiente** for a giving a wonderful talk and demonstration of your five watercolor basics to a packed February 2020 general meeting.

## MWS outreach at South Miami Art Festival



# Marilyn Valiente Watercolor Class Report



Perhaps the best way to describe Marilyn Valiente's inspired abstract watercolor teaching style is simply "fun." Proven by the fact that the students lingered well after the time allotted for the Sunday, February 16th class. Students of all levels were first encouraged to just "play" by throwing different colors onto Yupo paper. The paint or ink then magically formed dazzling patterns and shapes on its own. Marilyn, an accomplished watermedia artist, is not only generous with sharing her considerable talent and experience on abstract composition; but also in the way she encouraged the class to sample her many wondrous supplies ranging from colorful inks to stencils. She concluded the session by placing a mat over each student's creation to reveal a delightful completed work of art.

Fear of Missing out ("FOMO")? Be sure to register online for the batik class on March 15, 2020.

Story and photos by Deborah Magid



# MWS on Facebook!

MWS is on Facebook and has **1076** friends! If you have a Facebook page, please look up **MWS-Miami Watercolor Society** and "like" the page.

PLEASE invite your friends to like us too. You and your friends will be able to stay informed on all MWS happenings plus enjoy the photos and tips we share!

[www.facebook.com/MiamiWatercolorSociety](http://www.facebook.com/MiamiWatercolorSociety)

**Instagram page under @miamiwatercolorsociety has 613 followers!**

**Twitter has 444 followers!**

**PLEASE send your art news to share on the MWS Facebook page to: [rosiebrown1021@yahoo.com](mailto:rosiebrown1021@yahoo.com)**



**Our new video of the 2019 Fall Exhibition:**

**[https://youtu.be/9isAWKY1V\\_8](https://youtu.be/9isAWKY1V_8)**

<b>Members Who Teach</b>	
Jaimie Cordero	786-303-5293
Dottie Greene	305-322-8695
Sandy Levy	305-978-6701
Jan DeJong	305-968-3096
Marilyn Johansen	954-646-8698
Donna Underwood	305-238-1289
Marilyn Valiente	305-323-5312



*Almost Sunrise* by Sandra Walsh

# Matt Cutter for Sale

Large (40") mat cutter with straight and bevel cutters for sale. (Logan Simplex 700) Hardly used. Original price \$400.

Logan Oval & Circle Mat Cutter for sale. Never used. Original price \$60.

Both for sale to the highest bidder with proceeds going to MWS.

Contact Beth Werner at [betwerner@gmail.com](mailto:betwerner@gmail.com)

# 2020 Spring Exhibition Calendar

- February 3 – February 27 – Registration either on line or by US Mail. A photo of each piece entered must accompany your entry. See photo requirements below.
- February 28 – Entry Deadline for Spring Show. All entries must be postmarked if mailed by February 28. All online entries, and payment must be received by February 28.
- Sunday, March 8 – Intake for judging the awards – drop off paintings between 10:00 am & 11:30 am at Evelyn Greer Park, 8200 SW 124th Street, Pinecrest, FL 33156. Please note this is a Daylight Savings Time change day, intake volunteers will not take paintings after 11:30 during the judging!
- Wednesday, April 1 – Intake of artwork accepted into exhibit at the Wirtz Gallery, 10 am to 11:30 am. The Art Gallery of the First National Bank of South Miami, 5750 Sunset Drive, South Miami 33143.
- Friday, April 3 - Opening Reception at Wirtz Gallery. 6pm to 8pm.
- Thursday, April 30 – Artist's pick up your paintings from the Wirtz Gallery. 10 am to 11:30 am.



*Seaside Meadow* by Heather MacArthur

# Paint Outs Calendar

Suggested items to bring: watercolor art supplies, folding chair, easel, bug spray, sun block, hat, water bottle and a bagged lunch.

**March 26 (Thursday) 9:30 am-1:30 pm Diane Lary's Jungle Outpost: 14870 SW 238 St., Homestead, FL 33032).**

Adventure through this jungle paradise to find colorful foliage, fruit trees and tropical flowers to paint. Meet at 9:30 am at entrance. Gather at 12:30 pm for a bag lunch in a shady spot. (To carpool, call Yvette Cotera 305-753-5341).

**April 25 (Saturday) Paint-Out at Cape Florida Lighthouse, Key Biscayne .**

Paint the 1825 Cape Florida Lighthouse by the Sea: 1200 South Crandon Blvd., Key Biscayne, FL 33149. Gather by the lighthouse keeper's home to sketch, paint and enjoy lunch at 12:30pm under the shade of the seagrape trees. (To join a carpool, up to 6 persons, entrance fee is \$8 per car: call Yvette 305-753-5341) or (each car with a single person: \$4)

**For further information, contact:**

**Yvette Cotera**

Paint Outs committee member  
305-753-5341 or  
originalartpad@bellsouth.net

# February Paint Out Report

MWS members enjoyed another fun Paint Out Social at MWS member's house, Beth Werner, on February 22, 2020 with MWS attendees: (Beth Werner; Karon Gorham; new member Rachel Olin & Yvette Cotera). Beth welcomed all with a lovely table with tea, chilled water, ice bucket and a delicious banana nut bread. Her husband, Rudy, shared his botanical expertise and names of the plants and flowers in his garden, which we each selected to sketch and paint. There were many giant oaks with lots of shady spots, moss covered logs, a garden pond, draping Jade Vines, a large variety of blooming orchids, unique white with red spotted Anthuriums from Hawaii, plus many more exotic and colorful native plants and flowers. At noon we gathered for a lovely lunch and social time by the pool with a surprise visit from legendary Dottie Greene. Many thanks to Beth for being the perfect hostess and sharing her beautiful garden for another amazing Miami Watercolor Society Paint Out. Please join us on the next MWS Paint Out Social: Thursday, March 26th from 9:30am-1:30pm at The Jungle Outpost, home of MWS member, Diane Lary. Location: 14870 SW 238 Street, Homestead, FL 33032. We gather at noon for a bag lunch in a shady spot. (For carpooling and information, please contact: Yvette 305-753-5341). !

**Yvette Cotera**

MWS Member / Paint Out Committee



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On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you are prompted to select a charitable organization from the list of eligible organizations. You can change your selection at any time.

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It isn't a lot but it does add up and you don't have to do anything different except sign on to smile.amazon.com, Imagine if everyone in MWS had Miami Watercolor Society chosen as their charity, it would make a BIG Difference for MWS!

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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!**



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## Newsletter Notes

If you want to get a news item into the next issue of the MWS newsletter, please submit your copy to Kim Foster at [newsletter@miamiwatercolor.org](mailto:newsletter@miamiwatercolor.org) **one week before the end of the month.** If there is space available we can include a jpg photo.

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