Mary Ann Beckwith - Workshop Description

The "Brush and Beyond" Workshop is an art-altering experience! The energy filled days explore creative methods of watermedia application, including the building layers: texturing and collage. Participants learn new techniques and experiment with materials that allow them to better express their visions and ideas through their paintings and collages, whether those are representational or abstract imagery. Demonstrations and discussions focus on composition and design, how to recharge your work, sources of inspiration and the business of being an artist. Each day includes plenty of time for painting and optional critiques.

The heart of the workshop is the development of a strong sense of style in water media and watermedia collage while emphasizing the creative approach to making images. Through exposure to various new materials and techniques, each workshop attendee will find themselves better expressing their individual ideas and visions in their work. Demonstrations and discussions include exploring mixed media and approaching the subject with a fresh eye toward composition and design.

This workshop also includes discussions of the business of being an artist, including setting goals and priorities, so that each participant will discover not only new ways of becoming and staying "inspired," but how to network and grow professionally as an artist.

Each day's schedule allows for plenty of painting time. This workshop is lively, energetic and—best of all—fun filled!