1. Lotus Pond | silk wallhanging | cotton lined | 34.5" x 15" (86 x 38cm)

## Marianne Nash (1939 - 2011)

Chilterns Silk Painters - a branch of the Guild of Silk Painters were started by Marianne Nash in 2005. All that time she was the 'mother and the soul' of the group.

For many years she was greatly influenced by oriental art themes and techniques, and was using the ancient Japanese method of Roketsuzome in her silk painting, whereby the delicate colour blending, using layers of wax and dye, gives the silk a unique luminosity.

For the last 15 years of her life she was painting on silk, using more modern techniques, and she worked with batik.

In parallel, for almost 30 years she practised the demanding ancient art of Chinese Brush Painting on rice paper, using only traditional methods and equipment.

Teaching: Since 1991 Marianne was teaching Chinese Brush Painting, Silk Painting, and other art subjects, at Adult Education centres throughout the Home Counties, and gave talks and demonstrations to Art groups, WIs, and other interested societies.

Group Shows: She also demonstrated regularly at several national exhibitions such as Living Crafts, Hatfield House, Herts; Alexandra Palace, North London; Art in Action at Waterperry, Oxon; Artists and Illustrators at Islington; NEC, Brimingham, as well as holding solo exhibitions at the Swan Theatre, High Wycombe, Bucks; Hemel Hempstead Town Hall, Herts; Radlett Town Hall, Herts; Bray, Berks; and various other smaller venues.

Membership: She was a Member of the Guild of Silk Painters, the Batik Guild and the Chinese Brush Painters Society.

Sadly Marianne Nash passed away in 2011.







- 2. Koi | silk wallhanging | cotton lined | 34.5" x 15" (86 x 38cm)
- 3. **Blossom** | silk lined obi | 82" x 7.5" (208 x 19cm)
- 4. Maple Leaves | silk lined obi | 82" x 7.5" (208 x 19cm)
- 5. **Orchid** | silk painting | 10" x 12" (26 x 31cm)

