

**EXHIBITIONS**

**Debra Yates**  
**Recent Paintings**  
**June 30 - July 31, 2007**

Debra Yates works in several mediums including painting, drawing, mosaic and sculpture. She also works as a freelance architectural and landscape designer. She is a native "Conch" and lives in Key West, Florida. Yates has traveled extensively in her career, working and studying in New York City, Miami and Italy. In Brazil, Yates developed a long-time friendship and association with Roberto Burle Marx, the father of modern landscape design.

Her art emerges from diverse cultural backgrounds, achieving balance through her strong sense of color and shape. Yates does not assign titles to her abstract work as she prefers to leave the interpretation up to the viewer. She describes her creative process in formal terms as "an evolution of layering - of painting, color and texture." Her paintings can be viewed as opulent structural color fields; landscapes of gesture, form and passion.

**Debra Yates' design projects for public spaces include:**

- 2006 City of Palm Desert, Mosaic Bench park project
- 2003 Art in Public Places, City of Key West, 135'x 3' abstract mosaic tile wall, Smathers Beach
- 1998 City of Miami Beach, Transit Shelter at 73rd Street and Collins Avenue, 135'x8' semi-circular mosaic tile wall entitled "Drive-by Celebration"
- 1997 Art in Public Places, Miami International Airport, 100'x 8' barricade wall, mixed media abstract composition

**To date she has received several awards in recognition of her art and design work**

- 2007 Studios of Key West, recipient, artist studio space, The Armory, Key West
- 2004 Anne McKee Artist's Fund grant
- 2004 "Simply Abstract", a one-person exhibition of 23 paintings at the Tennessee Williams Theater
- 2002 Rodel Foundation fellowship, The Vermont Studio Center, at Johnson, Vermont
- 2000 South Florida Cultural Consortium, Fellowship Recipient
- 1997 Spectrum Worldwide Mosaic Tile Competition, residential design category
- 1995-96 American Society of Landscape Architects, Art in the Garden Award



Untitled,  
Paint/Collage on paper  
22" x 30",  
Framed Size 30" x 37"



Untitled,  
mixed mediums on board,  
30" x 24"



Untitled,  
mixed mediums on board,  
36" x 48"



Tarp (untitled),  
paint on canvas,  
60" x 84"



Triptych (untitled),  
mixed mediums on board,  
72" x 36" overall



Diptych (untitled),  
mixed mediums on canvas,  
20" x 40" overall