WOMEN'S FORUM

Sharing Wisdom

~By 1900 John Singer Sargent was the most sought-after portraitist in the Western world. He captured in oil and watercolor the extravagance of the Gilded Age.~

Dear Ladies,

We are dedicating the month of May 2025 to the painter John Singer Sargent. First with a documentary about his life and artistic career, and then with a trip to the Met for the exhibit *Sargent and Paris*. Those of you who joined us on Zoom over the pandemic (when we first encountered the story of this prolific artist) will remember the twists and turns of his journey, finally landing him with dubious honor at the Paris Salon. Here he delivered a painting so bewitching and "disturbing" of a fully clothed woman which would scandalize the establishment as it hung in a room replete with nudes - a fact that no one even noticed! That beauty was *Madame X* and her "little black dress"!!

Lunch with John Singer Sargent: Thursday May 15 at noon. Dillon Library, Bedminster NJ. Admission 20.

*To register see below.

Continuing our tribute to JSS, Women's Forum will be heading over to the Metropolitan Museum of Art and *Sargent and Paris*. Sure to be an extraordinary exhibit as we have an opportunity to get an up-close look at some of the masterpieces featured in the documentary.

TRIP TO THE MET: Thursday, May 22. Bus leaves Dillon Library,

Bedminster NJ at 9am. Return pick-up at the museum 3pm. Admission 45.

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Upcoming dates for WF: June 5 & 26.

As always,

Evelyn

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