

# Colorspots

*The Newsletter of the Calvert Artists' Guild*  
P.O. Box 602  
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## April 2012

### President's Note

Hi everyone! How is everyone enjoying the February weather we are having in April? Let's hope that it straightens itself out by the May Show. Speaking of Shows, the March Show was a success. Although we had a smaller than normal group of entries each artist had plenty of work to fill the entire room. Our new signs helped guide the public to the event. Thanks Cindy for getting those ordered. They are easy to put up, easy to take down, and best of all, easy to store.

We have found another venue for shows that we will be trying out in June. The Gazebo show has been moved to the auditorium at Asbury in Solomons. We have approximately 5 times the room that we have at the Annemarie Community Gallery. It is also better lit than the Mezzanine at Annemarie. Probably the greatest bonus, in my opinion is that they have no problem with us moving the lights! Parking for customers is available on the shore side of the facility but artists will still have to use the overflow parking. The Gazebo show never had a lot of participants since Mother Nature was so fickle and prone to changing her mind. We are hoping that with the auditorium being indoors with a controlled environment we can draw a larger number of participants. More on that as the time nears.

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### April 21, 2012-SATURDAY

#### CALVERT PINES SR. CENTER, Pr. Frederick

Meeting & Art Award Program: Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md., 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m., located at 450 W. Dares Beach Rd. The May show and other 2012 events will be discussed. The High School Student Art Award entries will be judged. Many Thanks go to Kay Simkins for coordinating the program this year. We have five student entries this year!!! Bring goodies to go with coffee. Coffee will be furnished. Hope to see you there! Contact persons; Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199, [baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net](mailto:baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net); Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, [gbwood2@verizon.net](mailto:gbwood2@verizon.net).

### Featured Artist Matthew Spaulding



Matthew graduated from St. Lawrence University with a bachelor's degree in neuroscience. As a student he received a Tanner Fellowship for an independent study, allowing him to develop a photographic essay of conservation efforts on the Chesapeake Bay. His passions for photography and the sciences have led him to conduct marine research off the coast of Maine, study endangered birds in rural North Dakota, assist with Diamondback Terrapin research on the Chesapeake Bay, and study in Australia's Great Barrier Reef and rainforests.

Matthew specializes in editorial, landscape, nature and travel photography and is a member of the National Press Photographers Association (NPPA) and Professional Photographers of America (PPA). He is a contributor to the National Geographic Image Collection and his photographs have been published with ESPN affiliate Inside Lacrosse, The American Red Cross and through various stock agencies.

Matt has been ardently shooting photos since age eleven when his father gave him his old film camera. As a child he loved exploring the natural world, and photography provided a way of capturing everything that he found interesting. Matt joined a photography club in middle-school, and built a small darkroom in their basement. "I've been fascinated with the medium ever since, and I think there is something exciting about the ability strong imagery has to evoke emotion in the viewer and artist alike". Matt's grandmother was also a great influence on him. She gave him hundreds of National Geographic magazines when he was young. "I could feel something in those photos that drew my attention, and I quickly found myself differentiating and identifying the elements of a powerful photo". When looking at Matthew's photographs you can also see the influence of Ansel Adams.

Most of Matthew's knowledge about photography is self-taught, although he says "It's really the experiences that teach me most, like fumbling with a tripod on a dark winter night or getting eye level with an aggressive snake and misjudging my distance". When asked what was the best thing you have done for your art career? Matt says "Letting my camera ride "shotgun" when driving so I don't miss as many unexpected shots. Some of my favorite images were taken with just seconds to spare, and I hate missing opportunities when I see them although the obsessive attention I give to photography when I'm constantly carrying a camera and traveling can sometimes have a negative effect on my overall experience, so it's also important for me to spend time simply enjoying nature and hiking".

Since graduating from St. Lawrence University, Matthew has worked as a whitewater rafting guide on the Yellowstone River in Montana, sailed to the West Indies to live for eight months aboard a 37 foot sailboat, and recently served with the American Red Cross as an AmeriCorps VISTA Volunteer Coordinator. As an avid outdoorsman he is also an advanced scuba diver and nationally registered Wilderness Emergency Medical Technician. Matt is now focusing on becoming a field instructor with the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS) and pursuing work as a science teacher.

Matthew's artistic future will be spent working on publishing his ongoing journalistic work. "The benefit of being young is also part of the dilemma in navigating the paths ahead, and I'm working to focus more of my photo-journalism projects for future publishing".



## KUDOS

**Gerry Wood** - had artwork selected for exhibition in the first statewide juried art show: "Habre de Venture: Dwelling Place of the Arts," on behalf of the Charles County Arts Alliance. This show takes place for a five-month period, from February - June 2012, at the historic colonial plantation belonging to Thomas Stone, one of Maryland's four signers of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. This is the inaugural exhibit of the brand-new Visitor Center Gallery located at the Thomas Stone National Historic Site, in Port Tobacco, Maryland. This show is being proudly presented as a partnership between the Charles County Arts Alliance and the Thomas Stone National Historic Site of the U.S. National Park Service. Gerry's artwork entitled "Sotterley Mansion-Gateway" will be on display from February 1 - June, 2012. Congratulations to all artists!

Remember the Guild is on Facebook. Try this link <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Calvert-Artists-Guild/106227186074949>. Remember to bookmark the page!!



"Sotterley Mansion-Gateway" by Gerry Wood

**Pat Troiani**- Watercolor Workshops April 24 & 25  
9:30 a.m. - 4:00p.m. Jarrett Thor Fine Arts Gallery  
Colonial Beach, VA [Watercolor on Yupo](#)  
May 19 & 20 10 am - 5 pm.  
Crossroads Art Center, Richmond, VA.

E-mail [lewpatasbury@gmail.com](mailto:lewpatasbury@gmail.com) for information., Visit, [www.pattroiani](http://www.pattroiani) to view her work.

## New Members

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Beaded & Wire Jewelry

## Calvert Artists' Guild May Multi-Media Awards Show Sat-Sun, May 19-20, 2012

Calling all artists to mark your calendars for Saturday and Sunday, **May 19 and 20, 2012** for the annual **May "CAG Multi-Media Awards Show"** at Annmarie Garden. Hours are **10am-5pm** Saturday & **10-4** Sunday. We will again feature ribbons and monetary awards. Monetary awards to be presented at the Reception on Saturday May 19th. The judge for awards is Joan Bell, of Annapolis, MD.

**Rules:** Artwork must be original and have been completed within last two years. Artwork must not have won an award in a previous CAG Show. Artists in all mediums are encouraged to join in this special show. We would like to see drawing, ceramics, photography, textiles, jewelry & metalwork, painting, printmaking, sculpture, and mixed media. Jurying will take place on Friday afternoon 1-4, with critique and ribbons Friday 4-5pm. A reception will be held on Saturday, May 19th from 2pm to 4pm to meet the artists and present the CAG HS Art award and monetary awards. Exhibiting artists are asked to sign up to sit the gallery for a two-hour shift on Saturday or Sunday. **Registrations are to be postmarked by May 11th, no registrations will be accepted after May 12th.** Artwork should be dropped off at Annmarie Garden Gallery on Friday, May 18, 2012, from 10:30am to 12 noon. Do not bring in artwork before 10:30 a.m. Volunteers are needed to help set-up the show between 9:00-10:30. The entry fee for the May 2012 Awards show is \$25.00 for members. The entry fee covers administrative fees, awards, advertising and program costs, and any merchant account fees associated with credit card sales. **IMPORTANT:** Annmarie Garden has set the sales commission to 25%, Artists will be responsible for the 25% commission due Annmarie Garden, which will be deducted from sales proceeds payments. We are informing the artists in advance so that artists can raise prices for the show to cover the commission. If you have any questions please contact Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199; baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net or Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net.

Judging criteria is shown on the entry form and the media categories. This is always a fun and successful annual show.

(Please see registration form on separate page attached)

We hope this will be a very successful show.

## Opportunities for Artists

North Beach Artist Market - The Wheel Clothing Store in cooperation with the Town of North Beach is looking for artists to be a part of an "Artists Market" in conjunction with, but separate from, the Farmer's Market in North Beach. For additional info contact Lonnie Harkins at baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net.

**Porch Party** – Saturday, May 5, 2012 Location: Grounds of the Craft Guild Shop 26005 Point Lookout Road, Leonardtown Road (next to the Maryland Antiques Center) Time:10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Registration: \$20.00 with your own table, chair and tent (if you wish) Space size: 10' x 10'

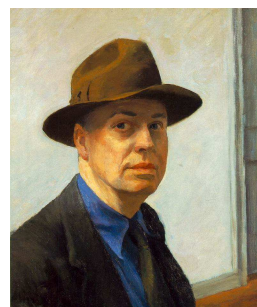
**St. Mary's County Crab Festival** – Saturday, June 9, 2012 Location: St. Mary's County Fairgrounds, Leonardtown, MD (in conjunction with the Leonardtown Lions Club – 2012 Crab Festival) Time:11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration:\$35.00 with table and 2 chairs (inside or outside space available) Space size:10' x 10', electricity available.

**Fall Follies** Saturday, September 8, 2012 Location: The Town Square on Washington Street, Leonardtown, MD. Time:10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Registration:\$30.00 with your own table, chairs and tent (if you wish)Space Size:10' x 10' Space is limited for each event; Contact Nancy Wiehe at (301) 885-8926 for any further information or questions.

**Potomac River Regional Art Show** - July 13 to August 5, 2012The Ninth Annual Potomac River Regional Art Show, to be held July 13 to August 5 at the Town Center in Colonial Beach, VA, is now open for artists to enter their works. The show is sponsored by the Colonial Beach Artists Guild and the Colonial Beach Chamber of Commerce. Each artist may enter two pieces of art work, and the first 85 pieces registered will be accepted. All accepted art pieces will be judged after hanging for cash awards totaling at least \$1,000. The guild is honored to have Jennifer Glave and B.J. Kocen of Richmond, VA as judges for this year's show For further information contact Carl Thor at 804-224-7200 or Shirley Rush at 804-224-2774.

**Support the Arts!** - Maryland Federation of Arts Queen of Arts Card Party and Art Auction Friday May 18th, 6-10 p.m., Annapolis Maritime Museum The Queen of Arts Card Party is a casino night with an artistic twist. Guests will play games of chance and explore auction items while dining, drinking, and enjoying music. Every guest in attendance will receive a collector's deck of cards with each card featuring the art of an MFA artist. This year we are adding an art auction to the event to showcase the work of MFA artists. Tickets are \$75 each and can be purchased at the MFA website at [www.mdfedart.org](http://www.mdfedart.org). This is a very important fundraiser for MFA and we hope you can join us.

*"No amount of skilful invention can replace the essential element of imagination." - Edward Hopper*



## Join the Calvert Artists' Guild Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc. Membership

Dues are due! The dues year is a calendar year --Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> – Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>.

The Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc., founded in 1978, promotes the appreciation and practice of fine arts in Calvert County. This is done through sponsoring art shows and sales, organizing field trips to events and exhibitions, arranging workshops in various mediums led by recognized artists and encouraging young artists to pursue their interests in fine arts. Anyone with an interest in the arts is encouraged to join. Membership privileges include special rates for workshops, shows, the Guild newsletter, "ColorSpots", listing in the Guild Membership Roster, and recognition and link on our website.

Join Us Today! If you haven't renewed your membership, please send your check and membership form promptly (see below). The new membership Roster/Directory will be out in June 2012.

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**This is your 2012  
Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc.  
*Dues Statement***

*Please return this portion of the form with your dues check by January 31, 2012  
After Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> there is a \$5.00 late fee!*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email/website: \_\_\_\_\_

I am an artist/artisan interested in (specify medium) \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in the arts in general \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in helping with Guild activities (areas of interest) \_\_\_\_\_

*Please check your membership category:*

Individual: \$30 \_\_\_\_\_ Family \$40 \_\_\_\_\_

Youth (<18) \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to: **Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc.**

Mail to: P.O. Box 602, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

**Thank You!**

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**Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc.**  
**CALENDAR of EVENTS 2012**  
[www.calvertartistsguild.org](http://www.calvertartistsguild.org)

**(Note: Reserve these dates-Mark your calendars!)**

**April 21, 2012 – Saturday**, CAG meeting and High School Award judging program; 10:00 a.m., Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md., Contact: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199

**May 19-20, 2012, Saturday and Sunday** – Annmarie Garden Community Gallery Awards Show, 10:00-5:00, Artists' Reception Saturday, 2pm to 4pm. Contact persons: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199, baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

**June 16-17, 2012, Saturday and Sunday** – Asbury/Solomons Show, 10:00-5:00 p.m., Solomons . Contact: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199, baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net;

**July 28, 2012, Saturday** – Workshop, "Printmaking", Instructor: Diane Nargiz; Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md., 9:00am-2:00 pm; Contact: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199, baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

**August 1-31, 2012** – CAG Library Show, St. Mary's County, Lexington Park, MD, Hours: Mon-Thurs. 9-8, Fri.-Sat. 9-5, Sun. 1-5. Contact: Candy Cummings, 301-863-6693, prodigaldaughter@md.metrocast.net

**August 19, 2012, Sunday** – Annual Potluck meeting & program, Asbury-Solomons **Clubhouse**, 2pm to 5pm. Bring a potluck dish. Program: TBA; Contact persons: Barbara Fetterhoff, 410-394-3365; fetterhoff.barbara@comcast.net; Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199, baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net;

**September 15-16, 2012 – Saturday-Sunday** – ArtsFEST, Annmarie Garden, Solomons, Md., 10:00-5:00

**September 29, 2012, Saturday** – Paint-Out Day, Location: Running Hare Vineyard, 150 Adelina Road, Pr. Frederick, 10:00-2:00, Contact persons: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199, baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

**October 6-7, 2012, Saturday & Sunday** – Annual P.R.A.D. (Patuxent River Appreciation Days) Show, Solomons, Md., 10:00-5:00 daily, Contacts: Les & Dianne Dickey, 301-855-1919; bayside6@comcast.net; or Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net.

**November 3, 2012 – Saturday** – Workshop, "Wood-Carving" Instructor: Carolyn Huff, 9:00am-2:00pm, Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md.; Contact persons: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199, baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net; or Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

**December 8, 2012 – Saturday**, Annual Meeting & Program, TBD; 10:00 a.m., Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md.; Program: TBD; Contact persons: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199, baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net; or Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net.



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