



The Newsletter of the Calvert Artists' Guild
P. O. Box 602
Prince Frederick, MD 20678
June 2006
President's Note

By the time you read this newsletter, the May 6-7 show at Annmarie Garden has happened and the Carolyn Egeli Studio Tour on June 3rd has taken place.

The May show was a huge success with the artist participation and the awards. There were 21 exhibitors in the show and I am so pleased with the Guild support: Rose Beitzell, Pat Berube, Dianne Dickey, Maria Fleming, Joan Humphreys, Kennedy Milan, Rex Miller, Mary Ellen Mills, Anne Oman, Phyllis Reed, Roland Reed, Mary Ida Rolape, Suzanne Shelden, Vickey Spore, Sue Stevenson, Mary Sokol, Rosa Valladares, Tammy Vitale, Carol Wathen, Gerry Wood, Doris Woodall, and Rebecca Nemchick (Scholarship). The judging and awards brought camaraderie among the artists and created excitement and enthusiasm. I feel that once a year in May we should present awards to the deserving artists and exceptional artworks.

The highlights of the reception on Saturday were the awarding of a \$500.00 scholarship to Rebecca Nemchick, a graduating student of Northern High School and the awards to artists presented by Gina Clapp, who judged the show. I was totally speechless to see that I had won "Best In Show". I can't express my gratitude.

The ballots for the "Most Popular Choice" went to Rose Beitzell for her fine detailed pyrograph of a Junco (bird). See the list of winners in following column.

All in all it was a fun weekend. Thanks to all who made it so successful. Let's do it again NEXT MAY!

Gerry Wood

CONGRATULATIONS & KUDOS
May 6-7, 2006 Show, Annmarie Garden

BEST IN SHOW: "Rocks & Waves" – Gerry Wood
MOST POPULAR CHOICE AWARD: "Junco" (Bird) – Rose Beitzell

AWARD WINNERS:

Watercolors/Watermedia:

1st - Iris Garden – Anne Oman
2nd - Amore Fiori (Storefront) – Joan Humphreys

3rd - Blue A Lure – Dianne Dickey
Honorable Mention: '53 Chevy – Joan Humphreys
Honorable Mention: 3 Pansies – Doris Woodall

Oils/Acrylics:

1st - Still Life with Apples – Marie Fleming
2nd - Break Through – Marie Fleming
3rd - Discordance – Rose Beitzell
Honorable Mention: Big Sable Pt. LightHouse – Doris Woodall
Honorable Mention: Lowlands – Joan Humphreys

Other 2-D/Mixed Media/Collage/Pyrography/Pencil:

1st - Kat AH Din – Suzanne Shelden
2nd - Four of Me – Rose Valladares
3rd - Cosmic Drift – Mary Ida Rolape
Honorable Mention: Tufted Titmouse – Rose Beitzell

Photography:

1st - A Chesapeake Morning – Joan Humphreys
2nd - Peony – Mary Ellen Mills
3rd - Blue Jays in Muir Woods – Mary Ellen Mills
Honorable Mention: Sunrise on the Chesapeake – Joan Humphreys

3-D/Sculpture/Ceramics/Clay/Glass:

1st - Names (Bowl) – Rose Valladares
2nd - Out of Africa – Tammy Vitale
3rd - SATYR – Roland Reed
Honorable Mention: Figure with Blue Stockings – Roland Reed

3-D/Sculpture/Wood/Bronze/Other:

1st - Spine – Rosa Valladares
2nd - Shangri La (Chair) – Tammy Vitale
3rd - A Palaver - Rosa Valladares
Honorable Mention: Making A Talk – Rosa Valladares



New Directory

Your new, 2006, Directory/ Roster will be out soon. If you or someone you know has changed their phone number, address, or email, please let Gerry Wood know, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net or Maria Fleming, 301-737-2365; flemingmp@verizon.net.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

SOLOMONS GAZEBO / BOARDWALK, JULY 22, 2006

The Calvert Artists' Guild will hold its **Sixth ANNUAL** art exhibit at the Solomons Gazebo/Boardwalk on **Saturday, July 22, 2006.**

Set-up: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon
Show Time: 12:00 Noon to 6:00 p.m.
Fees: \$25.00 payable to the Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc. (To cover cost of newspaper publicity ad)
\$35.00 per non-guild member

Point of Contacts: Rex Miller (410-326-2604)
Gerry Wood (301-863-9663)

Registration Date: Due to limited space, only 15 registrations will be accepted in date order with the earliest postmark taken first. No registrations accepted later than **July 19, 2006.**

Each exhibitor (or their representative) must be present for the entire show to monitor their artworks and sales. This is an outdoor show and security will be problematic. Each participant will furnish their own screens and hang his/her artworks and maintain his/her sales. (If you do not own screens, contact Gerry Wood regarding screen loans). Space allocations are based on each artist using 2 screens (both sides). The Calvert Artists' Guild will not be responsible for sales or receipts. It is suggested that in the event of inclement weather, participants bring waterproof coverings for their artwork as well as an umbrella or other personal rain protection. Exhibitors should be cognizant of wind effects on their display. The 2-dimensional works will be on screens and 3-dimensional works will be on tables/pedestals on the sidewalk area.

AUGUST ANNUAL POT-LUCK PICNIC MEETING

at the Asbury-Solomons Clubhouse
11740 Asbury Circle, Solomons, MD

Sunday, August 20, 2006 at 2:00 pm

Bring a dish to share, & art materials swap,
Program and meeting

Our August meeting is the annual pot-luck picnic to be held in the elegant clubhouse at Asbury. Bring a food dish, and if you choose, you may bring art items, supplies, materials, or books that you no longer want or use. We will have a "art yard sale/swap" for members! What fun!

Directions to Asbury Clubhouse

Take Route 2/4 to Solomons to Patuxent Parkway into Asbury-Solomons Retirement complex, just before you come to the tall 5 story building on Asbury Circle, take the road that goes around behind the building (facing the water) until you come to 11740 number address on the doorway. Parking is at the building entrance area.

11740 Asbury Circle, Solomons, MD

Phone: 410-326-2604

CAG EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION SOLOMONS GAZEBO/BOARDWALK SHOW SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2006

Set-up: 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon
Show Time: 12:00 Noon to 6:00 pm
Dismantle: 6:00 pm

Fee: \$25.00 Guild Member
\$35.00 Non-Guild Member

Make check payable & mail to:
Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc.
P.O. Box 602
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

The Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc., The Calvert County Government, The Calvert Marine Museum or any other organizer for this event is not responsible for any liability of your exhibit.

SIGNATURE

TIPS AND NEWS TIDBITS

The purpose of this column is to share information and resources. **If you have information to share in this column please let us know.**

*A Wonderful May
Award Winning Show*



May 6-7, 2006

Again, thanks to all the helpers that made the show a success. Twenty-one artists (almost one-third of the membership) and the scholarship winner participated in this show displaying a wonderfully diversified and vivid presentation. I was so proud of the Guild's participation and quality of artwork. The judge was challenged to pick winners from such fine competition. Many awards were given in 6 categories as well as Best In Show and Most Popular Choice. The popular choice ballot was offered to the people visiting the show to allow each visitor to vote for their favorite artwork. This voting was established to encourage the public to slow down and really look at each work. Rose Beitzell's pyrograph on wood of a "Junco" was voted as the most popular artwork. The other winners are listed a separate section. All the exhibitors enjoyed talking with each other and seeing who won awards and supporting one another. Congratulations to all participants. Thanks to all. We had a great show and hope to make every May Show an awards show!

Member Shows

Heron's Way Gallery – Rose Beitzell, Mary Ida Rolape, Md. Antique Center, Leonardtown, MD

Herring Creek Arts Festival, June 10th – Saturday, Tall Timbers Marina, Valley Lee, MD - Gerry Wood

If you are participating in an exhibition, please let us know so that we can inform all of our members. Contacts are on the address page of this newsletter.

Art Classes by Members

If anyone is conducting art classes and would like to list them in the newsletter, please contact Erin Groom, 301-922-9817, erinmcsorley@hotmail.com.

CALVERT ARTISTS' GUILD HAS A WEB SITE!

Click on www.calvertartistsguild.org and mark it as one of your

**Favorites* AND*

We have a new webmaster!! Lara Rupinski

Turn in your digital artwork and website link to Lara Rupinski, webmaster, so she can upload to the Web Site. Email: LARA.Rupinski@comcast.net

Scholarship Winner

The Guild for many years has sponsored a scholarship for a High School Senior. Thanks to Maria Fleming, Scholarship Chairperson for her hard work in mailing

letters, getting applications, and collecting the artwork. Due to her efforts, we are pleased to announce that this year's scholarship of \$500.00 was awarded to Miss Rebecca Nemchick, a graduate of Northern High School in Calvert County. Rebecca's clay and ceramic work of sculptures and a dolphin fountain was chosen the best of all of the applicants. Her 3-D work shows a tremendous amount of talent and we wish her well in her Art. Congratulations and good luck to Rebecca! And thanks again, Maria!

Scholarship Presentation



Rebecca Nemchick Receiving Scholarship Award

Art Opportunities

Sunday Still-Life Painting Classes— Annmarie Garden, Sundays, June 16 – Aug. 6, 1:00 p.m. Participants learn how to compose and paint a still-life painting while learning about oils, the alla-prima technique and glazing. Fee. Registration and info: 410-326-4640

Thursday Life Drawing Classes – Annmarie Garden, Thursdays, May 25 – Aug. 10, 6:30 p.m. Participants will study human anatomy and learn drawing to interpret the human form. Registration and info: 410-326-4640

Your life is the manifestation of your dream; it is an art. And you can change your life anytime if you aren't enjoying the dream. Dream masters create a masterpiece of life; they control the dream by making choices.

- Don Miguel Ruiz

P.R.A.D Show

Patuxent River Appreciation Days

October 7-8, 2006

This is advance notice for the annual PRAD show to be held in the field south of the Solomons' bridge, October

7-8, 2006. In conjunction with the PRAD show the Calvert Artists' Guild will host their show in multiple 10 x 10 tents. **THERE WILL NOT BE A LARGE TENT THIS YEAR.** If you wish to only show/sell up to 5 artworks + bin pieces & note cards, you may enter the Guild Show. If you wish to rent separate booth space for multiple items, crafts, etc. then you will need to apply for a PRAD Booth Space with the General Letter and Application. Contact John Sesso, 410-867-8122, rusty6603@netzero.net, for copies of the PRAD application and information, contact Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net for the Guild application. **The Guild show application will be available in the August ColorSpots newsletter.** CAG members that are willing to loan their 10 x 10 tent for the show please notify John Sesso or Gerry Wood. Also CAG volunteers are needed for publicity, set-up, take-down, registration, gallery sitting, and jurying for the best booth at PRAD.

Plein Aire Paint-Outs (3)

By members request we have arranged for plein aire paint-outs to be held at different locations over the summer months. Bring your paints, easel, water & lunch, and join other artists for a fun day outside painting or just bring your camera & take photos to paint from! If popular, we may add one in September.

June, 2006 – Plein Air Paintout – Flag Ponds Park, St. Leonard, MD – paint and photograph the irises (flags!), date of your choosing. Suggestion to car pool as there is a \$4.00 fee per CAR. (Calvert Residents), \$6.00 fee Non-Calvert Residents.

July 9, 2006 – Sunday – Plein Air Paintout – Battle Creek Cypress Park, Gray's Road off of Sixes Road (Rt. 506), Pr. Frederick, MD; (watch for signs) 1:30p.m.-4:30p.m. There is a boardwalk & picnic area. Admission is Free.

August 12, 2006 – Saturday – Plein Air Paintout – Warrior's Rest Sanctuary, (The American Chestnut Land Trust area), Port Republic, MD, 10:00a.m.-2:00p.m., You may paint the beach, cliffs, landscape, etc. Directions: From Rt. 4 go onto Parkers Creek Road. Turn right on Scientists' Cliffs Road. Go to the end of this road. You will come to Warrior's Rest Sanctuary-go through the gate with the white columns on either side—drive past the house, down the hill to a boat launch site. There is a rest room (portable toilet) on the property.

Note: For all of these paintouts, I have stated that artists appreciate the beauty of nature and our natural resources and attempt to portray that beauty in our paintings, and enjoy beautiful places to paint on location. No one will damage the plants or wildlife and will protect your Sanctuary. We will "take only photographs and leave only footprints". We have been given permission through application, to trespass these private areas because we are

responsible adults and will respect the properties! Please hold up our reputation! Thank you.

Jurying

(Excerpts taken from Baltimore Watercolor Society

BWS "Highlights" with permission)

I thought that this information on the processes for accepting candidates for Artist membership in art organizations was interesting. For SIGNATURE membership in BWS or other art organizations (AWS, NWS), the privilege of putting those initials after your name, is granted after a jurying process. Associate members are NOT signature members, and do not have that privilege. For consideration for membership in BWS, twice a year artists are invited to bring four paintings or send slides. The Board looks at each candidate's submissions and then votes. A majority determines the outcome. It is a respectful process, designed to maintain a high quality of work in BWS exhibits. Not every candidate's work is accepted on the first try. The national organizations, AWS (American Watercolor Society) and NWS (National Watercolor Society) have different processes. When an artist's work is selected for an NWS exhibit, that artist is invited to submit an additional 3 matted or framed paintings for review. All 4 images are evaluated, and if positively reviewed, the artist is invited to have "signature" status. For AWS, an artist must have a painting accepted in three of the annual exhibits. After having two acceptances, a candidate may apply for membership, and submit 2 slides for the next exhibit. Upon the acceptance of that third painting, signature membership is offered. The requirement that this process be completed in a 10-year period was modified to remove the time restriction. Other state and regional organizations have variations on these themes of signature membership. If you are interested, go to their web sites and review their requirements. It is no easy feat to gain signature membership in the national organizations. Each year they receive thousands of slides for the 100 slots available in their exhibits. Hundreds of excellent paintings are declined. It has been recommended that you enter 3 times the number of shows that you desire to be in. You can be relieved that the Calvert Artists' Guild does not require jurying to become a member, but of course we don't put the initials CAG as signature membership status on our paintings either!! (Thanks to Sharon Green, BWS President, for allowing us to use excerpts of her article)

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CALENDAR of EVENTS 2006

June 3, 2006, Saturday - Carolyn Egeli Studio Tour, Valley Lee, MD, 10:00a.m.-12:00 noon, Meet at Wildewood Center near McKays at 9:30 a.m. to carpool to Carolyn's Studio.

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June 24, 2006, Saturday - Watercolor Art Workshop, Instructor: Mary Blumberg, Calvert Pines Center, Art Room, Pr. Frederick, MD, 9:00:-2:30. Contact persons: Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626, marybwatercolor@comcast.net; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net.

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July 22, 2006, Saturday - Solomons Outdoor/Gazebo Show. Noon-6:00 p.m., Solomons Boardwalk, Contact: Rex Miller, 410-326-2604, donna.s.miller@verizon.net; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

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August 20, 2006, Sunday - Picnic meeting & program, 2pm to 5pm. Asbury-Solomons Clubhouse, 11740 Asbury Circle, Solomons, MD. Bring a potluck dish & optional- art materials to swap: Contact: Barbara Fetterhoff, 410-394-3365, email: fetterhoff@ameritel.net.

September 9, 2006 - Saturday - Clay Workshop, Tammy Vitale, So Pines Art Room, Lusby, MD, 9:30am-2:30pm. Contact persons: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net; Tammy Vitale, 410-326-9473, belletamaam@hotmail.com

September 16-17, 2006, Saturday and Sunday - Annmarie Garden. **ARTSFEST**

October 7-8, 2006 - Annual P.R.A.D. Show, Solomons, MD, 10:00-5:00 daily. Set-up Friday, Oct. 6th 10-12:00noon. Contact:

November 19, 2006 - Sunday, Annual Meeting & Program, 2:00 p.m., Phillips House, Pr. Frederick, MD: Contact persons: Annie Moore, 410-586-2427, annieHM@aol.com; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net