



The Newsletter of the Calvert Artists' Guild  
P. O. Box 602  
Prince Frederick, MD 20678  
**February 2008**

### *From the President's Sketchbook*



Greetings to all you fellow artists!

If you have ever moved to a new town where most everything including the weather is different, you can identify with me. The things you want for a satisfactory life are; air conditioning in the summer, heat in the winter, and friends who love what you love. Well, I am batting 3 for 3! The arts community in Calvert County is fabulous! You are all so kind and welcoming and, best of all, art loving.

I have enjoyed the fellowship of artists in Southern Maryland on a part-time basis for almost ten years and now am thrilled to be selected to be your President of CAG for the coming year as a full time resident. As Gerry asked for in the last newsletter, I have a computer and am interested in the success of our Guild. Sounds easy, doesn't it? So with your help and good thoughts, we will make the coming year a success.

The activities planned for us are really impressive. Art exhibits for conviviality and a little competition, workshops to jump start new ideas, art classes to keep our fine motor skills in shape and meetings to inform and keep us on track, all are designed to achieve successful personal goals and make CAG a group to be envied. If you haven't signed up for classes or workshops, better get going! You surely don't want to miss out on the good stuff ready for you.

This note would not be complete without a plea...for volunteers! As a somewhat newcomer, I am also impressed with the help from volunteers with all our events. But, as you can guess, we always need more! So, please, call, email, sign up for a little time with your fellow artists. Just contact me and I will set you on the road to a time of your life. You will feel the spirit and maybe even see someone you vaguely remember or make new friends in art along the way.

Thanks again for selecting me to be your Pres. Let's look forward to a super art year together.

Mary B.

Calvert Artists' Guild  
March Spring Show  
March 29-30, 2008

Calling all artists to mark your calendars for Saturday and Sunday, **March 29 and 30, 2008** for the annual southern Maryland spring show at Annmarie Garden. Artists in all mediums are encouraged to join in this special show. We would like to see fiber work, jewelry, sculpture, glass, batik, weaving, ceramics, as well as paintings. A reception will be held on Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> from 2pm to 4pm. The entry fee for CAG members is \$25.00 and \$35.00 fee for non-members. Exhibiting artists are asked to sign up to sit the gallery for a two-hour shift on Saturday or Sunday. Registrations are due by March 21<sup>st</sup>, no registrations will be accepted after this date. Artwork must be brought to Annmarie Garden Gallery, Friday March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008, from 10am to 1pm, unless other arrangements are made in advance.

If you have not shown before at Annmarie Garden, you are required to submit a photo, postcard, or notecard of the type of artwork to be shown along with the registration form. (Form follows in newsletter) Annmarie Garden will keep a file of all artists and their artwork samples for future reference. This means that you only have to submit the initial photo once and for future shows, you state "photo on file" on your registration form. You do not have to resubmit new photos if you have done so previously and a file has been established. The only exception would be if you change your previous media—(i.e. from oil paintings to jewelry, ceramics to paintings, etc.). The Guild will submit all registrations and representative samples of artwork to Annmarie Garden. If you have any questions please contact Mary Blumberg; 410-394-0626; marybwatercolor@comcast.net or Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net. We hope this will be a very successful annual show. (See registration form on separate page)

### *Scholarship Award*

The Calvert Artists' Guild is sponsoring a scholarship for a deserving Calvert County high school student who wishes to pursue further art training. The amount is \$500 and honorary membership for one year to the CAG. Carole Purcell is the new Scholarship Chairman and is asking for any help in making this a success. Carole sent out application forms the end of January to the Calvert County high school art teachers, Calverton, and Home Schooled. The guild members will jury the entries and make a decision of the winner at the April meeting. For info., please contact Carole at 410-326-6669; Carolepurcell@hughes.net. Joe Wenglosky was the 2007 winner and has kept in touch and attended meetings and events when not in art school.

Happy 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, CAG!

## Workshops and Classes

### At the Calvert Pines Senior Center – Ongoing

#### Open Studio Art, 10:00am – 3:00pm,

Instructor: Sally Den Hartog, (10 sessions)

Dates: Wednesdays Jan. 25 – Mar. 28, Fee/Sponsor: \$44.00 plus supplies – you can join anytime at a prorated fee. Contact Information: 410-535-4606 & 301-855-1170, 450 W. Dares Beach Rd., Pr. Frederick, MD

### Classes at Southern Pines Senior Center

#### Potpourri of Painting – Mondays, 9:00 a.m.

#### Advanced Oil – Friday, 10am – 2pm

Instructor: Elizabeth Bygler, Dates: Jan. 18 – Feb. 29 – on-going. Fee: \$90.00

Southern Pines Senior Center, 20 Appeal Lane, Lusby, MD, 410-586-2748

#### Watercolor Classes, Beginners & Intermediate,

Mondays 1-4p.m., Wednesdays 6-9p.m., and Thursdays 1-4p.m., beginning April 7<sup>th</sup>. Contact Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net

**Watercolor 2008 classes beginning February 21** at the new Studio School in AnnMarie Garden. The days are Thursdays, 1 to 4pm, for 6 sessions. (Feb. 21 - Mar 27) There is still room for a few more. Please contact Jamie Jeffrey by phone at 410/326-4640 to register. You may also email her for an application:

[gardenprograms@chesapeake.net](mailto:gardenprograms@chesapeake.net). You may also go to the garden office and sign up in person. It's beautiful over there! This is going to be an exciting adventure in splashing paint. If you have any questions or concerns please call or email Mary Blumberg. 410/394-0626; [marybwatercolor@comcast.net](mailto:marybwatercolor@comcast.net).

Printmaking Classes – Rosa Valladares, beginning Feb. 12. Call 410-326-9414, or email Totivall@comcast.net

*If you would like your classes or workshops listed here, please send the information to: Gerry Wood at [gbwood2@verizon.net](mailto:gbwood2@verizon.net); 301-863-9663 or Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626; [marybwatercolor@comcast.net](mailto:marybwatercolor@comcast.net).*

**Pink Lady – Iris By Linda Griffin**



## 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, members-only shows, the Guild newsletter, "ColorSpots" 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 (from the December newsletter or download from the website). The new membership Roster/Directory will be out in June 2008.

#### **GREEN ANYONE? Take Action!**

1..To save paper and resources, we are considering changing the newsletter to an email format. One option is sending paper to those who prefer it, and email to the rest or we may offer both. **We need member feed back on this idea!** Please send your comments on this to Gerry Wood ([gbwood2@verizon.net](mailto:gbwood2@verizon.net)) or Tammy Vitale ([TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com](mailto:TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com)). Just an idea to make the CAG a bit more eco-friendly! (Thanks to Erin Groom for this idea and for writing this up).

2. Don't want **those packing peanuts** to wind up in a landfill? Recycle! Tammy Vitale is willing to take all your peanuts – contact her at [TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com](mailto:TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com) or 410-326-9473.

*"We actually need some frustration, exasperation, doubt, self-criticism, desire,... [to] summon a wild power from the bowels of the will we did not know we had. Then we can never again mask our magnificence, even to ourselves." Tama Kieves, **This Time I Dance***

Welcome New Members

**Wilma Ruth Sturm**

13164 Windjammer Ave., Solomons, MD 20688  
410-326-9414, parksgs@co.cal.md.us

**Rosa Valladares**

11840 Highview Circle, Lusby, MD 20657  
410-326-8220, Totivall@comcast.net

**Roster Corrections/Revisions:**

**Page 31:** The new e-mail address for **Linda Rosenthal** is: rosenthal77@verizon.net. Please change this in your address book.

**Page 32:** Please change the address of Vickey M. Spore to P.O. Box 403, California, MD 20619. Delete phone.

**Page 32:** The new e-mail address for Susan Stevenson is sstevensonbayl@comcast.net.

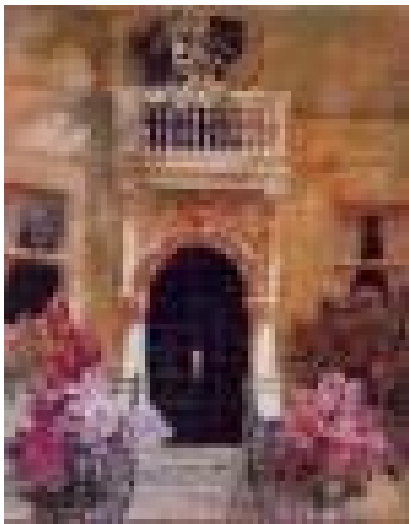
**Page 32:** The new e-mail address for Mary Ann Scaggs is gmaw12@verizon.net



Nancy Ellen Thompson – December Meeting Program  
“Doorway” – Linda Griffin

*Linda Griffin*  
*Saturday, June 21, 2008*  
*Watercolor Workshop*

Join artists in the art room at Calvert Pines Senior Center, 450 W. Dares Beach Rd. in Prince Frederick for a watercolor workshop with Linda Griffin. The workshop will be held on Saturday, June 21, 2008 from 9:00am –



2:00pm. (A break will be included for lunch at the Center--Lunch is \$2.50). Fee: Calvert Artists' Guild members \$40.00, \$50.00 non-guild members. Contact for info and reservations: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net; Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626; marywatercolor@comcast.net. Contact for directions, Sandy Marquess, 410-535-4606, 301-855-1170. Mark your calendars now! (See registration form below!)

Linda's training in art began in Europe where she grew up as the daughter of an Army officer. It was there her love of architecture began to develop. A **Washington DC** native, she achieved early success in oil painting receiving awards and commissions in Virginia, New Jersey and Washington DC. Upon discovering watercolor, however, she realized her true medium.. Having traveled extensively, her favorite subjects are regional architecture with bright color transitions, usually including flowers and strong shadows. She enjoys painting large pieces requiring the viewer to stand back! With each trip she returns armed with new inspiration. She lives in North Carolina and teaches workshops around the country

Linda is a popular instructor and has been invited to return from North Carolina. You may view her work on her website: [www.lindagriffin.com](http://www.lindagriffin.com). Don't miss these opportunities!

**Registration form for Watercolor Workshop, Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008  
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. with Linda Griffin**

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

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

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\$40.00 enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ (CAG Member)

\$50.00 enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ (Non-Member)

**Make check payable to: Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc.  
and mail with this form to:**

**CAG  
P.O. Box 602  
Prince Frederick, MD 20678**

*Member News*

Four years ago, four artists - **Carol Wathen, Eileen Baca, Rose Beitzell and M.I. Rolape** formed **Heron's Way Gallery** in a small space within the MD Antiques Center. About a year later, Eileen Baca left "the Herons" to focus more time on ArtWorks@7th, where she was one of the original founders. For the next three years, the Herons worked to expand the gallery and support the

growing art community here in Southern Md. Now the Herons have come to another fork in the Road. **Heron's Way Gallery** has moved into new space in downtown Leonardtown. The Herons were looking for someone to run the gallery space in the MD Antiques Center. They were hoping that someone would continue the tradition that they had established for supporting emerging artists. It soon became obvious that without action by the Herons, the space at the MD Antiques Center would be lost to artists and that the art community would not be able to recover the space once it was lost. **Carol Wathen** has come to the rescue! She has decided that she will manage the gallery space at the MD Antiques Center. The Gallery will be named "**Leonardtown Galleria**". Leonardtown Galleria works with members, guests and emerging artists. This is not a cooperative. Member and guest artists are asked to share the expenses through a small monthly fee and a 20% commission on sales, but members are not obligated to work or attend receptions. Shows change monthly and there is always room for more art. Carol and gallery member Sally Huff have also set aside space called "The Artist's Attic" where artwork that they have purchased over the years is being offered to the public so that they can make room to buy more art! Rose Beitzell and M.I. Rolape are managing **Heron's Way Gallery**. The new space is bright and airy. It is located next to a public parking area and a new restaurant that has a planned opening in June. Heron's Way Gallery hosts monthly shows. The Gallery is commission-based and is planning to provide full gallery services to its artists such as insurance on the art and web pages to advertise their member artists. **Heron's Way Gallery** is located in downtown Leonardtown, at 22760 Washington Street. Call (301) 475-0088 or go to [heronswaygallery.com](http://heronswaygallery.com). **Leonardtown Galleria** is located within the MD Antiques Center at 26005 Point Lookout Rd. Call (301) 475-2797 or email carol at [ckwathen@md.metrocast.net](mailto:ckwathen@md.metrocast.net).

### 2008 - Guild's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

The Calvert Artists' Guild was founded in 1978. We plan to celebrate our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary **ALL YEAR!** Plan to attend our celebrations!

- March 29**— Show, Reception, 2-4, AM Garden
  - May 3**— Show, Reception, 2-4, AM Garden
  - August 17** – Annual Pot-Luck Meeting, 2-6 Asbury Solomons Clubhouse
  - December 6** – Annual Meeting, 10-12, Calvert Pines Sr. Center, Pr. Frederick
- April 12, 2008-SATURDAY*

\*Note: Date change!



**CALVERT PINES SR. CENTER, Pr. Frederick Meeting and Informative Program - 10:00 a.m.**  
**Speaker: Cindy Herndon, Artist Quilter – Fabric Artist**  
 Join members in the reserved art room at Calvert Pines Senior Center in Pr. Frederick for a meeting and Program on Saturday, April 12th, at 10:00a.m. **Calvert Pines Sr. Center**, located at 450 West Dares Beach Road, Pr. Frederick, has ample parking and easy access. For directions contact, Sandy Marquess, 410-535-4606, 301-855-1170. Cindy will display her artistic quilts and give a presentation. Cindy discovered quilting after 20+ years of teaching composition and literature to high schoolers,. She finds the challenge of capturing a thousand words in a quilt is exciting and the creative outlet of pictorial landscape quilts are her favorite. She is often inspired by Bible verses, poetry, and photographs.  
 Quilt by Cindy Herndon  
 View her artwork at: [www.CindyHerndon.com](http://www.CindyHerndon.com)  
 We will also select the Scholarship winner and discuss the May Awards show and Reception. Bring goodies to go with coffee. Coffee will be furnished. Come support the Guild and these interesting programs! . For additional information contact Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626; [marybwatercolor@comcast.net](mailto:marybwatercolor@comcast.net). Gerry Wood 301-863-9663; [gbwood2@verizon.net](mailto:gbwood2@verizon.net)

### Upcoming Trips for 2008

**Friday, March 7, 2008**  
**Alexandria Torpedo Factory Art Center, and Old Town Alexandria**

**Cost: \$22.00** plus lunch on your own.  
 After touring the Torpedo Factory you can stroll along the streets of Old Town Alexandria. Dine at a restaurant of your choice. To make a reservation, call Ricca Baker or Kathy Shannon, 410-257-2549 North Beach Office on Aging Staff. Bus leaves at SPSC, CPSC, & Dunkirk.

**Keep your eyes open for other travel opportunities!!**



### MEET THE ARTIST!

**Our artist of distinction,  
 Tammy Vitale, Sculptor**

"One of a kind sculpture for your hearth and soul" as a final note on her e-mail says as much about the artist as the art. Tammy Vitale has been a full time clay artist for more than six years. Her sensuous torsos of the female figure are beautifully striking. One wants to touch the textures and absorb the color and design. Beginning with an impressive show as resident artist in Carmen's Gallery on Solomons Island, Vitale has used her medium, clay, to intrigue the imagination and stir the soul. Not content to design and create exciting



sculptures, clay tile-adorned furniture and whimsical wall animals, she co-founded and ran the Wyld Women Gallery, sponsored shows at the Gazebo on the Solomons boardwalk, and founded the non-profit Arts Alive! She still finds time to work with CAG exhibitions at Annmarie Garden, the Solomons Gazebo and PRAD, helping to set up tents and design displays. This gal is one busy artist!

"I love the "3-D-ness" of clay. I can do things with it I can't do with paint," she explains. Tammy's interest in the human figure is simply an outgrowth of her interest in mythology and the divine feminine and feminism. Working around the lack of display for stand-alone sculptures, she created pieces to hang on walls. Lucky for all the customers who seek her work. Vitale's sculptures have **been an integral part of** many shops and gallery offerings from Havre de Grace in Maryland to Ocracoke in the North Carolina Outer Banks. Tammy was also curator of a successful Georgetown show in 2005. Several members of the Artists Guild were included. Locally, one may see her outstanding pieces at the Heron's Way Gallery in Leonardtown. As a very special coup, she has just been juried into the Philadelphia Buyers' Market show for February 2008. Focusing on her most lucrative works of art, she is introducing a series of sculptures named *Sacred*. In this line each piece will have a necklace (which can be removed and worn) or an amulet, as well as a small booklet describing the energy that created the art. Other interesting information is written on the back, finishing the sculpture. Tammy's signature is carved when the clay is still wet.

Also recently, she has fallen in love with making beaded necklaces with focal point beads. Look for them on the *Sacred* series. To continue her artistic goals, Vitale is working on creating a glass torso by the end of February with the support of CAG artist Cindy Pond. Vitale considers networking with CAG members a vital asset to her success as an artist. You may learn more about her and her creations by checking her blog, [www.TammyVitale.com](http://www.TammyVitale.com). For a special treat to view the inspirational go to [www.Sacred-TammyVitale.com](http://www.Sacred-TammyVitale.com). You will find that her soul is in each piece she creates. What an addition to any hearth (or heart.)



Mask Sculpture-Serenity with Necklace  
By Tammy Vitale



#### Websites of Interest:

- [www.myAmericanArtist.com](http://www.myAmericanArtist.com) (magazine, articles)
- [www.artspan.com](http://www.artspan.com)
- [www.firemountaingems.com](http://www.firemountaingems.com) (gems, jewelry, beads)
- [www.ArtCalendar.com](http://www.ArtCalendar.com) (shows, promotions, info)
- [www.CheapJoes.com](http://www.CheapJoes.com) (art supplies)
- [www.DickBlick.com](http://www.DickBlick.com) (art supplies)
- [www.festivalnet.com](http://www.festivalnet.com) (festivals, art fairs, shows)
- [www.livingamongtheartists.com](http://www.livingamongtheartists.com) (workshops)
- [www.blackwater-workshops.com](http://www.blackwater-workshops.com) (workshops)
- [www.zipskinny.com](http://www.zipskinny.com) (info on your area zip code)
- [www.vistaprint.com](http://www.vistaprint.com) (bus. cards, post cards)

Nancy Ellen Thompson – December 2007 program

**Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc.**  
**CALENDAR of EVENTS 2008**  
 (Note: Reserve these dates-Mark your calendars!)

**\*February 2, 2008-Saturday**, Meeting & Program, Guest: Eileen Baca presents "schrenschnitte", Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md, 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m. Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626; marybwatercolor@comcast.net; Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516, Joan\_Humphreys@yahoo.com.

**\*March 29-30, 2008 - Saturday and Sunday** - Annmarie Garden Show, 10:00-4:00. Artists' Reception Saturday, 2pm to 4pm. Contact persons: Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net

**\*April 12, 2008 - Saturday**, CAG meeting and program; 10:00 a.m., Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md, Speaker: Cindy Herndon, Artist Quilter; Contact: Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626, marybwatercolor@comcast.net; Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516; Joan\_Humphreys@yahoo.com.

**\*May 3-4, 2008, Saturday and Sunday** - Annmarie Garden Awards Show, 10:00-4:00, Artists' Reception Saturday, 2pm to 4pm. Contact persons: Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net

**June 7, 2008, Saturday** - Paint-Out Day, Flag Ponds Park, St. Leonard, 10:00-2:00, carpool, \$4.00/car

**\*June 21, 2008, Saturday** - Watercolor ArtWorkshop, Instr: Linda Griffin, Calvert Pines Cr, Pr. Frederick, Md, 9:00am-2:00pm.; Contact: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net

**July 12, 2008, Saturday** - Paint-Out Day, Greenwell State Park, Hollywood, (St. Mary's), 10:00-2:00; Contact: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net

**\*July 19, 2008, Saturday** - Solomons Outdoor/Gazebo Show. Noon-6:00 p.m., Solomons Boardwalk, Contact: Rex Miller, 410-326-2604; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663

**August 2, 2008 - Saturday** - Paint-Out Day, Warriors Rest Sanctuary, Scientists Cliffs, St. Leonard, 10:00-2:00, Contact persons: Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663.

**\*August 17, 2008, Sunday** - Annual Potluck meeting, Asbury-Solomons Clubhouse, 2pm to 6pm. Bring a potluck dish. Program: TBD, Contact persons: Barbara Fetterhoff, 410-394-3365; Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626

**\*September 6, 2008 - Saturday** - Workshop, TBD, 9:00am-2:00pm, Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md; Contact person: Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626, marybwatercolor@comcast.net.

**\*September 20-21, 2008 - Saturday-Sunday** - ArtsFEST, Annmarie Garden, Solomons, Md., 10:00-5:00

**September 27, 2008 - Saturday** - Paint-Out Day, Jefferson Patterson Park, St. Leonard, 10:00-2:00, Contact persons: Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663.

**\*October 11-12, 2008, 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.

**\*December 6, 2008 - Saturday**, Annual Meeting & Program, 10:00 a.m., Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md; Program: TBD; Contact persons: Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516, joan\_humphreys@yahoo.com; Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626

*\*verified date and facility*

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*AnnMarie Garden*

March Show Application – attached separate file.