



The Newsletter of the Calvert Artists' Guild  
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## February 2009 President's Note

Happy New Year! I want to thank you for selecting me as your President for 2009. I have a hard act to follow – I will need help from each one of you! My heartfelt thanks go to Mary Blumberg for the wonderful job she did as President last year, and to Dianne Dickey for her excellent work as our Secretary. Our 30<sup>th</sup> year was a great one – our membership grew to 100 artists. I am confident that with our Board's efforts, and your contributions, we can continue to grow our Guild. Activities have already been set up for 2009 and it promises to be a busy year. We are continuing the tradition of at least one event every month... page 5 of this newsletter has the current listing of events. One of the best features of membership in the Guild is participation in our shows. For those of you who are new to the Guild, these shows give you the opportunity to show and sell your work in a supportive and fun environment. Start working on inventory now! Our first show is only six weeks away and we will have a total of five shows this year.

I encourage you to check out the workshops we have scheduled. We started the New Year with Mimi Little's acrylics workshop on January 10<sup>th</sup>. I heard great feedback and was pleased that so many of you attended. Those of you who got a taste of silk painting at our December meeting will want to sign up for our June workshop – Betty Leppin will return and provide a full workshop on silk painting.

As a closing thought, I want to encourage everyone to become active in our Guild. I want to hear from you if you have an idea or an issue. Please feel free to call or email me, or any member of the Board.

Thanks again for placing your trust in me. Let's make our 31<sup>st</sup> year a resounding success!

Cindy



## Calvert Artists' Guild March Spring Show March 14-15, 2009

Calling all artists to mark your calendars for Saturday and Sunday, **March 14 and 15, 2009** 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 14<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 7th, no registrations will be accepted after this date. Artwork must be brought to Annmarie Garden Gallery, Friday March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009, 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 Cindy Pond; 410-326-2367; CLPond@verizon.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 Scholarship Chairman and is asking for any help in making this a success. Carole sends 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. Jennifer Smetana was the 2008 winner and has kept in touch with letters.

### FYI:

Are you an artist trying to make a difference in your community? If so, let Art Calendar know! E-mail us at [Khall@ArtCalendar.com](mailto:Khall@ArtCalendar.com), along with a link to your web site site/s, and tell us a bit about what you are doing.

## Workshops and Classes

### At the Calvert Pines Senior Center – Ongoing

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

Instructor: Sally Den Hartog, (10 sessions)

Dates: Wednesday Jan. 28 – Mar. 31, 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. 23 – Mar. 6 – 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 6<sup>th</sup>. Contact Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net

**Watercolor Classes:** Karen Russell, ongoing classes at studio in Leonardtown. Beginners, Intermediates.

Thursday mornings from 9:30-12:30, \$25/class. Call 301-475-7225, email: paintandplane@md.metrocast.net

**Watercolor** 2009 classes beginning February 26 at the new Studio School in Annmarie Garden. Thursdays, 1 to 4pm, for 6 sessions. (Feb. 26 - Apr 2nd) Please contact Jamie Jeffrey by phone at 410/326-4640 to register or email her: [gardenprograms@chesapeake.net](mailto:gardenprograms@chesapeake.net). You may also go to the garden office and sign up in person. If you have any questions or concerns please call or email Mary Blumberg. 410/394-0626; [marybwatercolor@comcast.net](mailto:marybwatercolor@comcast.net).

**Learn to make a clay torso.** Some experience working with clay helpful but not absolutely necessary. This is a multi-day class: Saturday February 21, 10 - 3 (make torso); Sunday Feb 22 12 - 1 (remove torso from armature and place to dry); Saturday February 28 11 - 2 (glaze piece and/or discuss non-glaze finishes and hanging); Saturday March 7 9:30 - 10 pick up fired torso. Cost: \$110, includes all materials. Maximum 5 students. For info, to sign up: Tammy Vitale, 410-326-9473 [TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com](mailto:TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com).

**Learn to make a ceramic/found object totem** (clay collage) wall hanging. Your finished totem will measure approximately 24" long. \$50 includes all materials. You bring work gloves and eye safety glasses (and any found objects you'd like to use). Saturday March 7, 10 am to 3 pm. For info, to sign up: Tammy Vitale 410-326-9473 [TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com](mailto:TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com).

**Basic Drawing:** Beginners & Intermediates. Class meets 6 times on Saturdays at Artworks @ 7<sup>th</sup> gallery in North Beach, 10 to 11:15 a.m. Ages 14 and up. Class size limited. Call for info: Nancy Jung-Warmke, 240-393-7459, Feb 14, 21, 28, March 14, 21, & 28, Fee: \$120

*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 Tammy Vitale, 410-326-9473; [TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com](mailto:TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com).*

## 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 2009.

Betty Leppin– December Meeting Program –  
"Silk Painting"



## News on a Sad Note

We heard on the news Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, of the death of Andrew Wyeth, at age 91. (1917-2009) The art world is stunned! It is so sad to learn of his passing. He did live a long life and made a lasting impression on art lovers & me especially. I loved his work and will cherish the print I own of "Around the Corner", the AW book, video, and CDs of Wyeth. Some were fortunate to have been to the Farnsworth Museum to see his exhibits and to visit Chadds Ford PA museum. Quite a loss to the art world. I pray for Jaimie and the family to have strength to get through this difficult time. Just thought that all artists should know of this loss.

Gerry



## Welcome New Members

### Cindy & Randy Earley

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### Diane Nargiz

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### Jane Parker

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### Roster Corrections/Revisions:

**Page 25:** The new e-mail address for Candy Cummings is: prodigaldaughter@md.metrocast.net.

**Page 30:** The new e-mail address for Tammy Vitale is: TammyVSculptor@hotmail.com.

Please change these in your Directory/Roster book.

### New CAG Board for 2009

Cindy Pond, Pres.; Joan Humphreys, Treas.; Megan Richard, Secty



“Sea Gulls” on Yupo — by Pat Troiani



## February 7, 2009-SATURDAY CALVERT PINES SR. CENTER, Pr. Frederick Meeting and Program – 10:00 a.m. Pat Troiani- “Watercolor on Yupo”

Join members and guests in the art room at Calvert Pines Senior Center, Pr. Frederick for a meeting and Program, on Saturday, February 7th, at 10:00a.m. Calvert Pines Sr. Center is located at 450 W. Dares Beach Rd., Pr. Frederick, has plenty of parking and easy access. Pat Troiani will present a program on “Watercolors on Yupo”. Pat Troiani, a former art teacher in Pennsylvania public schools for 15 years retired to the Outer Banks of North Carolina in 1985. She taught composition and watercolor painting to adults in her home studio while continuing her career as a professional watercolor artist. Schools attended include Traphagen School of Design, New York City, NY; Millersville State University, Lancaster, PA; and earned an MFA from Maryland Institute, College of Art, Baltimore, MD. In 2008 she moved to Solomon’s, MD. Pat’s subjects are inspired by the Southern Maryland scenery and wild life of the area. Painting florals are a favorite subject matter, using traditional watercolor techniques, but she also likes painting on “Yupo”, a very slippery acid-free paper. Collage is another favorite and more recently, she has started painting in oils. Portraits of pets or your home are also available by appointment. Some of her awards include: North Carolina Senior Games, The Frank Stick Show, Outer Banks, NC, Beach Book Cover 2004, Land Mark Shows at the Pasquotank Art Association, Peoples’ Choice Award at the Chowan Arts Council, and The Mollie Fearing Show. Pat’s paintings can be seen at: Art Works @7<sup>th</sup>, North Beach MD, Calvart Gallery, Prince Frederick, MD, Heron’s Way Gallery, Leonardtown, MD, Jarrett Thor Fine Arts, Colonial Beach, VA, The Island Gallery At the Christmas Shop Manteo, NC and Gaskin’s Gallery, Avon, NC. While many are originals, she offers limited edition Giclee reproductions of her paintings. For additional information contact, Pat Troiani; 410-394-2467, e-mail lewpatasbury@comcast.net; Cindy Pond, 410-326-2367, CLPond@verizon.net; or call the Sr. Center 410-535-4606 for directions. We will also discuss the March show and 2009 plans. Bring goodies to go with coffee. Coffee will be furnished. Hope to see you there!

Pat Troiani



## *Upcoming Trips for 2009*

**April/May** – Annapolis Trolley & Boat Cruise, \$50

**June** – Butterfly Garden @ Smithsonian Museum of Natural History, Washington DC, \$30

**August 13, Thursday** – Chesapeake Lighthouses Tour, St. Michaels, MD, \$90

**September 10, Thursday** – Carroll County Historic Homes & Lunch Tour, \$90 (chance to take photos of architecture & historic homes)

Make your reservations in person at one of the senior centers in order to complete required paperwork and make payment. For info: 410-586-2748, 410-257-2549  
Participants age 50+ receive priority unless accompanying a senior citizen.

Keep your eyes open for other travel opportunities!!

## *MEET THE ARTIST!*

### *Featuring: Dianne Dickey*

I have been painting approximately 5 years and became a member of the Calvert Artists' Guild in 2004 after the first artwork I ever entered into competition was awarded Best In Show in the Calvert County Senior Arts Competition. I was encouraged to join after my success in the senior art show. The watercolor bug had bitten me by then and I thought that exposure to the wealth of experience that existed in CAG would be invaluable in expanding my skills. These last few years have certainly proven that to be true. I think it's fair to say that watercolor discovered me when I started attending a weekly art workshop at Calvert Pines Senior Center led by Sally den Hartog and Barbara Bowman. I had always wanted to try watercolor and received a lot of instruction, inspiration, and encouragement from Sally and Barbara. I have toyed with pastels and have done some work with acrylic, which is my second favorite medium to work in. Watercolor is my favorite because I love the way paint moves across good paper. The sensation makes it so easy to get lost in the process and that's when time ceases to exist. For inspiration, I rely on my personal life experiences and on the interests and experiences that my family has shared with me. Prior to my becoming an artist, I was a Certified Kitchen and Bath Designer and a sea kayak instructor (20 years). I have been trained for the Calvert Community Emergency Response Teams and also have been able to use my skills as an amateur radio operator in disaster situations, including the La Plata tornado, Hurricane Isabel, and the 9/11 attack on the Pentagon. I am a self-taught keyboard player and also perform occasionally at local venues on the mountain dulcimer. My work has received awards at several local shows, but I am proudest of my success in the Calvert senior competitions. I have entered my work three of the last four years. In those three years I have received three Best in Shows, Two People's Choice Awards and an additional acknowledgement of Best in Show from the Arts Council of Calvert County, the first award of that nature they have made. I don't always (hardly ever) *do* the traditional Southern Maryland

subjects and my buddies up at the Pines sometimes think I'm crazy when I do my layouts, but I really like to listen to the beat of that different drummer. Since becoming aware of my abilities I have taken classes, many workshops, read and experimented, all the while continuing to develop my personal style. My goal with every painting is an attempt to make a personal connection with the viewer and to create an interest in the story behind the painting. (There's always a story) My work is currently at the Chesapeake Gallery in Prince Frederick and in several private collections. I hope to have a website up and running before June.

Dianne Dickey

"Panfish – Crappie" by Dianne Dickey



## *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.aswexpress.com](http://www.aswexpress.com) (art supplies)  
[www.jerrysartarama.com](http://www.jerrysartarama.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)  
[www.artistsmagazine.com](http://www.artistsmagazine.com) (magazine, articles)  
[www.artistsnetwork.tv](http://www.artistsnetwork.tv) (online video workshops)  
[www.northlightbookclub.com](http://www.northlightbookclub.com) (art book discounts)  
[www.wetcanvas.com](http://www.wetcanvas.com) (artists' community offerings)  
[www.clearbags.com](http://www.clearbags.com) (bags-packaging cards, prints)  
[www.webpictureframes.com](http://www.webpictureframes.com) (framing & gallery)  
[www.potomacmedia.com](http://www.potomacmedia.com) (giclee prints)  
[www.CreateBetterPaintings.com](http://www.CreateBetterPaintings.com) (articles, demos)

*Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc.*  
*CALENDAR of EVENTS 2009*

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

**February 7, 2009-Saturday**, Meeting & Program "Watercolor Yupo Demonstration", Guest: Pat Troiani, Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md., 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.; Cindy Pond, 410-326-2367, CLPond@verizon.net; Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516, Joan\_Humphreys@yahoo.com.

**March 14-15, 2009 - Saturday and Sunday** - Annmarie Garden Show, 10:00-4:00. Artists' Reception Saturday, 2pm to 4pm. Contact persons: Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516; Joan\_Humphreys@yahoo.com; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net

**April 18, 2009 - Saturday**, CAG meeting and Scholarship judging program; 10:00 a.m., Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md., Contact: Carole Purcell, 410-326-6669; Cindy Pond, 410-326-2367, CLPond@verizon.net; Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516; Joan\_Humphreys@yahoo.com.

**May 16-17, 2009, 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; Cindy Pond, 410-326-2367, CLPond@verizon.net

**June 6, 2009, Saturday** - Paint-Out Day, Location:: Fridays Creek Winery, 3485 Chaneyville Road, Owings (see pg. 74 in So. Md. Trails book), 10:00-2:00, Contact person: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net, directions: Frank or Rich Cleary; 410-286-9463

**June 27, 2009, Saturday** - Silk Painting Workshop, Instructor: Betty Leppin, Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md., 9:00am-2:00pm,; Contact: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net; Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516; Joan\_Humphreys@yahoo.com.

**July 25, 2009, Saturday** - Solomons Outdoor/Gazebo Show. Noon-6:00 p.m., Solomons Boardwalk, Contact: Rex Miller, 410-326-2604; donna.s.miller@verizon.net; Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516; Joan\_Humphreys@yahoo.com.

**August 23, 2009, Sunday** -Annual Potluck meeting, Asbury-Solomons Clubhouse, 2pm to 6pm. Bring a potluck dish. Program: TBD, Contact persons: Barbara Fetterhoff, 410-394-3365; Cindy Pond, 410-326-2367, CLPond@verizon.net

**September 12, 2009 - Saturday** - Paint-Out Day, Location TBD; 10:00-2:00, Contact persons: Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516; Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663.

**September 19-20, 2009 - Saturday-Sunday** - ArtsFEST, Annmarie Garden, Solomons, Md., 10:00-5:00

**October 10-11, 2009, 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 7, 2009 - Saturday** - Workshop, TBD, 9:00am-2:00pm, Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md.; Contact person: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2

**December 5, 2009 - Saturday**, Annual Meeting & Program, 10:00 a.m., Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md.; Program: TBD; Contact persons: Cindy Pond, 410-326-2367, CLPond@verizon.net; Joan Humphreys, 410-586-3516, Joan\_Humphreys@yahoo.com.

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