

# Colorspots

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Newsletter of the Calvert Artists' Guild



CALVERT ARTISTS' GUILD  
P. O. Box 602  
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## Prez Notes

Ho, Ho, Holy Moley, I'm running late again! Let me start off by wishing everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Kwanza or whatever holiday tradition that you observe.

We have capped off a successful year with a woodcarving workshop with Carolyn Huff and a meeting where by-laws were changed and new/old officers were elected/re-elected.



The Guild found a great new venue for our Art Shows and meetings as well as a new venue for our workshops. I would like to thank Calvert Pines for allowing us to use their facilities for all these years and hope we can have a great working relationship with Asbury Solomons and the Mount Hope Community Center. We are going to be starting the year off with an explosion of color as our first workshop is a tie-dye workshop so everyone let your inner hippie out and sign up to sling some dye onto T-shirts.

As fast as this past year went it won't be too long until it is time for our annual shows so I hope everyone is getting creative and churning out lots of great art.

I'm hitting a wall here so I'm just going to finish by saying Have a Fairly Merry Christmas and don't forget to send in your dues by January 31st!!!

# DECEMBER MEETING

## By-Law Changed

At the December 8th meeting, a CAG by-law proposal change was voted on. The change to the by-laws concerns Article VII, Section E. (page 18 in Roster) which states: "All officers shall hold office for no more than three consecutive terms." To be changed to state "All officers shall hold office with no term limit." This proposal was passed and allowed the current officers to continue elected terms.



### Election of CAG Officers for 2013 was held at December 8th Meeting:

President:	Lonnie Harkins
Secretary:	Cindy Pond
Treasurer:	Gerry Wood

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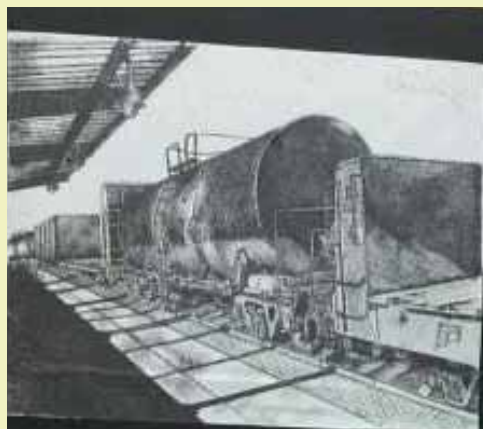
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*We welcome the officers and volunteer board to the 2013 term. Congratulations to the elected officers!*

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*After the meeting, Faith Gallot demonstrated a workshop on pen and ink drawing techniques.*



# Featured Artist

**Nia Olabesi** is a native Washingtonian now residing in Southern Maryland. She is an accomplished jazz stylist, recording artist, actor, musician and producer. Nia has toured extensively throughout the U.S. for over a decade performing in various jazz venues, night clubs and music festivals along with her band *The Nia Olabesi Trio*.

Nia became a member of the Calvert Artist Guild in 2011. In her first Guild Show Nia received the First Place Ribbon for "Underwater" in the Mixed Media 1 category. She has worked with painting and photography through the years and was introduced to pottery and acrylics in 2010. "Working with acrylics bold colors, mediums and various viscosities is like making music. The textures that can be achieved from the use of gels, pastes and other mediums are fascinating. The techniques of layering, mixed media and collage brings depth and interest to my art which is non-representational abstract. Like acting, the work takes on its own character. What a journey!"

Nia had big dreams at a young age, growing up in a family of artists, musicians, dancers, singers and fashion designers She decided quite young that she would pursue the arts. She loves to dance, sing, act, and she especially loves the visual arts. She is self-taught in many areas and has a natural talent for music although she has studied hard and long and has paid her dues as a band leader, dancer and singer. After many years she came back to painting in 2011 and says "It's a blast! I'm thrilled to say I continue to create my life through the living arts."

When asked about her creative process Nia says "My first thought when working on a new piece is surface....What type of surface do I want to use? I play with some ideas, concepts... Next, is the fun part of choosing textures, oh how I love textures, layering and trying out new techniques. I study the techniques of various artists to learn more about mediums of interest to me. Once I have a surface in mind, I let it marinate, release it and... the process begins. The next thing I know I'm in the studio on a scavenger hunt for my tools. The tools I need to create the layers of texture. I'm often at the thrift store, in the hardware section or outside in the park, at the beach and always collecting things... I use spatulas, sponges, newspapers, crayons, bottle caps, twigs, sand and whatever else I can find... "It's All Good ."

I then give some thought to my choice of palette, it's like prepping for a first date with a professional makeup artist. Mixing colors, to get to a particular shade, learning along the way and there really are no mistakes. It's always exciting to try new techniques with a beautiful palette. It's mysterious and magical all at the same time. The techniques are like the characters in the story of *Alice in Wonderland*, like the Mad Hatter, *The Cheshire Cat* and *The Red Queen*. When I paint I really never know how deep the rabbit hole goes."

Finally She says "I am so enjoying being a member of CAG. I love the camaraderie and it's a lot of fun. I love networking, meeting new artists and making new friends". Nia's artwork, pottery and photography can be seen in several galleries in Southern Maryland and Easton, Pennsylvania.

## Welcome new members

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# Tie-Dyeing Workshop

**Mike & Virginia Richardson**  
Saturday, January 12th, 2013  
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



Please join us in the art room of Mt. Hope Community Center, Pushaw Station Road, Sunderland, Md 20689 for the fun Tie-Dyeing Working with instructors Mike and Virginia Richardson.

“Locally based in St. Mary’s County, Maryland, making and teaching the art of Tie Dye to anyone who is interested. Creating, teaching, selling and promoting art in the county, whenever possible. It began a few years ago with the young relatives in the family, and through popular demand, it quickly expanded into a fun summer project that was well-received in the community. Yes, Virginia Creations now offers classes, birthday parties, “make and take” at the summer booth or ready-made at vendor events, special requests, and more! They have participated in many volunteer events, at such venues as with the Public Library, local daycares and some classroom groups at the local schools. They recently helped a Kindergarten team of teachers and volunteers at Park Hall Elementary make 167 field trip tie-dyed t-shirts in just 7 hours on a weekend! Their 9-yr old son, Christopher, also enjoys the craft, and recently won several ribbons at the St. Mary’s and Calvert County Fairs for his tie-dye creations. When not working on tie-dye or family projects, Mike teaches business and economics, while Virginia teaches computer classes at the College of Southern Maryland.”



As for materials to bring, wear clothing that you don’t mind getting messed up. Chances are, you won’t get any dye on them at all, but sometimes folks drop the bottles, or splatter, and you should not wear anything that is considered nice or expensive. We will bring white teeshirts, in a variety of sizes, but folks can feel free to bring an item of their own if they want to do that instead. They should ONLY bring 100% cotton items, as the dyes we use only work on natural fibers, such as cotton. Any poly/cotton blend will NOT produce optimal results.

Thanks for the opportunity to work with you, we are very excited about it!

## Registration Form

### Tie-Dyeing Workshop

NAME

ADDRESS

PHONE

EMAIL

\$35.00 enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ (CAG Member)

\$45.00 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

# 2013 Calendar of Events

## Mark Your Calendar !

### **JANUARY 12, 2013**

#### **SATURDAY**

Art Workshop: "Tie-Dyeing" Mike Richardson, Instructor;  
9:00-2:00, Mt. Hope Comm. Ctr. Sunderland, MD.,  
Contact persons; Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199,  
baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net;  
Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

### **FEBRUARY 9, 2013**

#### **SATURDAY**

Meeting & Program: Asbury-Solomons Clubhouse, TBD,  
Solomons, MD., 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.;  
Contact persons; Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199,  
baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net;  
Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

### **MARCH 9-10, 2013**

#### **SATURDAY AND SUNDAY**

Asbury-Solomons Auditorium Show, Solomons, MD.,  
10:00-5:00.  
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Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

### **APRIL 20, 2013**

#### **SATURDAY**

CAG meeting and High School Art Award judging program;  
10:00 a.m., Asbury-Solomons Clubhouse, Solomons, MD.,  
Contact: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199

### **MAY 11-12, 2013**

#### **SATURDAY AND SUNDAY**

Asbury-Solomons Auditorium Awards Show, Solomons,  
MD., 10:00-5:00, Contact persons: Lonnie Harkins,  
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### **JUNE 15-16, 2013,**

#### **SATURDAY AND SUNDAY**

Asbury-Solomons Auditorium Show, 10:00-5:00 p.m.,  
Solomons, MD. .  
Contact: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199,  
baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net;  
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### **JULY 20, 2013**

#### **SATURDAY**

Workshop, Mt. Hope Comm. Ctr., Sunderland, MD.,  
9:00am-2:00 pm; Contact: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199,  
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### **AUGUST 18, 2013**

#### **SUNDAY**

Annual Potluck meeting & program, Asbury-Solomons  
Clubhouse, Solomons, MD., 2pm to 5pm. Bring a potluck  
dish. Program: TBA; Contact persons: Barbara Fetterhoff,  
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### **SEPTEMBER 21, 2013**

#### **SATURDAY**

Paint-Out Day, Location: TBA. 10:00-2:00, Contact persons:  
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Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

### **OCTOBER 12-13, 2013**

#### **SATURDAY & SUNDAY**

Annual P.R.A.D. (Patuxent River Appreciation Days) Show,  
Solomons, MD., 10:00-5:00 daily, Contacts:Gerry Wood,  
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### **NOVEMBER 2, 2013**

#### **SATURDAY**

TBD Workshop, Mt. Hope Comm. Ctr., Sunderland, MD.,  
9:00am-2:00pm; Contact persons: Lonnie Harkins,  
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Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

### **DECEMBER 14, 2013**

#### **SATURDAY**

Annual Meeting & Program, Asbury-Solomons Clubhouse;  
Solomons, MD., 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.,  
Contact persons: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199,  
baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net; or  
Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net

# Check Out the Show!



**Candy Cummings**  
Retrospective Art Show  
December 12- January 31  
Lexington Park Library Gallery

Many pieces available for sale -  
Open to the Public - Bring Your Friends

Candy has been creating art since her childhood in St. Mary's County and throughout her years away from the area for art school, travel and career. This show will present pieces dating back to 1968, reflecting the dramatic changes she works through in the creation of her unique & diverse art. Many pieces have been shown at Anmarie Garden, the Visionary Art Museum in Baltimore, in articles in the Washington Post, the Enterprise and various regional magazines & art shows.

She is the founder of the Lexington Park Library Art Gallery & has curated almost 100 individual and group shows and is active in the Calvert Art Guild and other local arts groups

She is a cancer survivor and has created

## **Magical Cancer Cure Hats**

which are being given to cancer patients undergoing treatment. Candy explains, "They are intended to make the cancer victim laugh at the disease and eliminate the fear that so stifles healing."

The show runs through January 31



For a preview peek at her work go to:  
[www.candycummings.com](http://www.candycummings.com)

# Tricks of the Trade

We have added a new column to our newsletter. It will contain tips that aid in our creative endeavors. These tips can be painting techniques, photography suggestions, where to buy the best jewelry or pottery supplies. Tips will not be limited to any form of art. The purpose is to share with our members' things that may help us improve our skills.

For example, Faith Gaillot gave a pen and ink demonstration at our last CAG meeting on December 8th. Her drawings are beautiful. She shared the many techniques used to create them. One tip she gave was how to correct buckling paper. Turn the paper over with the art side facing down. Wet the paper then put a towel over it with something flat on the top.

This column is not to replace the wonderful demonstrations and workshops offered by CAG. I gave Faith's process to show the kind of tips the column would like to use. CAG members can send me their "tricks of the trade" to put in the column. You will be given credit in the column for the tip.

I will get the column started by offering a tip given to me by Cindy Pond during our Paint Out at Running Hare Vineyard. I am not a plein air painter but thought I would give it a try. I could not get the greenery right. I used every shade of green tube oil paint I had in my case. I was getting frustrated so I drank some more wine! Cindy came up and suggested I add purple to my greens. Viola! My painting came to life. Thank you Cindy.

Please send any of your "tricks of the trade" and comments to Gee at [geeartlino@comcast.net](mailto:geeartlino@comcast.net)

# It's Time for 2013 Dues!

Time to renew your membership with the Calvert Artist's Guild for 2013. The dues calendar year is Jan. 1 – Dec. 31 which means its time to get your membership current! There will be a \$5 late fee for those paying after January 31, 2013. This deadline helps to get the dues submitted in a timely manner. Many thanks!

## CALVERT ARTISTS' GUILD, INC. DUES STATEMENT

Please return this portion of the form with your dues check by January 31, 2013. After Jan. 31st there is a \$5.00 late fee!

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NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS

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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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Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

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Check # \_\_\_\_\_

This is your receipt for your records and membership card to keep.  
Please detach at dotted line.  
Thank you!

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