

The Newsletter of the Calvert Artists' Guild P. O. Box 602
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# December 2007 **President's Note**

As the Winter season and break begins, I hope that you will take advantage of some time to sit back and curl up in front of the fire with a good art book, be inspired, think about new paintings and ideas you want to try out in the new year, take a workshop, or go on a road trip. There are excellent opportunities to view artwork in museums in the area. Enlist an art friend and check out some of the following shows: In Baltimore at the Walters Art Museum is Déjà vu? Revealing Repetition in French Masterpieces. Examines the works of Monet. Degas. Cezanne, Matisse & others. At the National Gallery of Art in Washington, there is an Edward Hopper exhibit until January 21. It includes 48 oil paintings, 12 prints, and 34 watercolors to be enjoyed. Also showing & closing January 6 is the J.M.W. Turner exhibit with over 145 paintings and watercolors. The website for the museum provides great background information for these shows. Until January 13, you can see Brushed with Light: American Landscape Watercolors at the Brooklyn Museum of Art. At the Metropolitan Museum of Art until January 6, you can view The Age of Rembrandt, includes 20 of his works celebrating the 400<sup>th</sup> birthday of Rembrandt. Museum visits are great for stirring your creativity and giving you that boost to get your creative juices flowing. Be sure and join the printmaking workshop Jan. 5 to learn monotype printing.

As outgoing President of the Artists' Guild, it is time to have new leadership, new ideas, and opportunities. I want to thank each one of you so much for your assistance and cooperation this past year for shows, workshops, paint-outs, programs, and events! I was overwhelmed and pleased to see such good participation. The cooperation and working togetherness shows that the Artists' Guild has the potential for much success. 2008 will be a GREAT YEAR!!

Thank you again for all of your efforts on the Guild's behalf. Be sure to give support to your new President and board members.

Yours in art, Gerry :-)

# It's Time for 2008 Dues!

Time to renew your membership with the Calvert Artist's Guild for 2008. The dues calendar year is Jan. 1 – Dec. 31 which means its time to get your membership current for 2008! See the dues form attached in this newsletter. Many thanks!

# February 2, 2008-SATURDAY

#### CALVERT PINES SR. CENTER, Pr. Frederick Meeting and Program – 10:00 a.m. Eileen Baca - "Scherenschnitte"

Join members and guests in the art room at Calvert Pines Senior Center, Pr. Frederick for a meeting and Program, on Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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. Eileen Baca will present a program on Scherenschnitte (shear-n-SNIT- a) which means "scissor cuts" in German is the art of paper cutting design. Eileen has been a member of the CAG for many years and shows her works at our shows, ArtWorks @7th Gallery, and Unique Boutique. For additional information contact Eileen Baca, 410-257-0254, bacaej@comcast. net; Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626; marybwatercolor@ comcast.net, or call the Sr. Center 410-535-4606. We will discuss the March show and 2008 plans. Bring goodies to go with coffee. Coffee will be furnished. Hope to see you there!

#### Call for Volunteers

CAG needs a few good people to volunteer to fill the following committee positions:

- Rotating Exhibits Chairpersons –find various locations, i.e. Banks, Library, Courthouse, etc.
- Fieldtrip Coordinator Work with ACCC and/or Sr. Centers to plan fieldtrip ideas.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact; Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626; marybwatercolor@comcast. net or Gerry Wood 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net

# Calling All Art Instructors

If you are teaching art classes or workshops this spring or know of any coming up, please let us know so that we can get the information out to our membership. The Artists' Guild frequently receives inquiries regarding art classes and workshops and we can't connect them to you if we don't have your schedule. Contact Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626;marybwatercolor@comcast.net or Gerry Wood at 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net.



Rosa Valladares Printmaking Workshop Saturday, January 5, 2008

Join artists in the art room at Calvert Pines Senior Center in Prince Frederick for a printmaking workshop with Rosa Valladares. She will present printmaking techniques including digital printing, monotype, and linoleum. The workshop will be held on Saturday, January 5, 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 or Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626; marybwatercolor@comcast. net. Contact for directions, Sandy Marquess, 410-535-4606, 301-855-1170. Mark your calendars now! (See registration form below!) Most supplies furnished.

Rosa graduated from Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) in 2002, with an MFA in Printmaking. In 1997, she received a scholarship for a year specialization in lithography at Tamarind Institute in New Mexico. In her country Peru, she earned a BA in Printmaking and Drawing from the National School of Art in Lima, Peru in 1990, where she graduated with a Silver Medal award. Later, she became a professor in the same school and taught lithography for five years and spent one year teaching a collagraph workshop. As a professional artist she has participated in several exhibitions in Peru as well as international shows in Argentina, Rumania, Korea, Colombia and United States. She has had two articles published in the "Bellas Artes" magazine, which is one of Peru's more prominent publications in the arts.

Don't miss this opportunity for an outstanding artist to present our first 2008 workshop!

# Election of CAG Officers for 2008 Held at December 1st Meeting

President: Mary Blumberg Secretary: Dianne Dickey Treasurer: Joan Humphreys

Volunteer Positions:

Newsletter Editor: Tammy Vitale

Workshops: Gerry Wood

Graphics/Roster: Suzanne Shelden

Publicity: Cindy Pond Scholarship: Carole Purcell Webmaster: Lara Rupinski

We welcome these new officers and board to the 2008 term. Other volunteers will be greatly appreciated and

welcomed! (see box on page 1)

## Registration form for Printmaking Workshop, Saturday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. with Rosa Valladares

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					

Calvert Artists' Guild "March Spring Show" March 29-30, 2008, Sat.-Sunday

Calling all artists to mark your calendars for Saturday and Sunday, March 29 and 30, 2008 for the annual Southern Maryland 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, batik, weaving, as well as paintings. An artist's reception will be held on Saturday, March 29th from 2pm to 4pm. The entry fee for CAG members is \$ 25.00 and nonmembers fee is \$35.00. 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 21st. Artwork should be brought to Annmarie Garden on Friday March 28th, 2008, from 10am to 1pm. (Entry Form to be emailed and in the February newsletter). If you have any questions, please contact, Gerry Wood at 301-863-9663; email gbwood2@verizon.net or Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626; marybwatercolor@ comcast.net. We hope this show will be bigger and better in 2008.

It is not the language of painters but the language of nature which one should listen to, the feeling for the things themselves, for reality, is more important than the feeling for pictures.

- Vincent van Gogh



Wild Bird Seed - 22 x 30 Mary Blumberg

# GALLERY OPPORTUNITIES 3 Galleries - Calling for Artists

ArtWorks @ 7<sup>th</sup>, 9128 Bay Avenue, North Beach, MD 20714, 410-286-5278. Seeking artists to join co-op gallery, contact: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663 or email: gbwood2@verizon.net.

CalVART Gallery, 110 So. Solomons Island Rd., Pr. Frederick, Md 20678, Seeking artists to join co-op gallery, contact: Kaaren Oakley, 410-326-1761 or email: oakley@chesapeake.net

Herow's Way Gallery, is moving to a new space in downtown Leonardtown. They are seeking a group of artists interested in keeping the ArtSpace at MAC (Maryland Antiques Center) open as a separate Gallery next year. They are keeping the lease through March in order to help make this happen. Additionally, right next door, the St. Mary's Winery Co-op is starting renovation soon. They have \$500,000 to work with and plan on a 20,000-gallon a year winery capability.

The winery has seven or eight acres and will build a bridge and a Kayak launch that will connect to a 60 acre Federal Bird Sanctuary for endangered Forest Interior Dwelling (FID) Birds. This is immediately adjacent to the Maryland Antiques Center. When this opens up, MAC is in the best tourist draw location in St. Mary's and we would like to be sure that a gallery is maintained so that artists can benefit from the tourism trade. If interested, please contact: Mary Ida Rolape, 301-769-3179, mirolape@starband.net.





# Annual Garden in Lights Event

#### December 7, 2007 – January 1, 2008

Annmarie Garden, Solomons. 6-9pm weather permitting. A whimsical drive-through holiday light display filled with light sculptures custom-created by the staff at Annmarie Garden. In 2007, it's Mutiny on the Bay! as pirates invade the ever-popular bay scene, searching for treasures buried among the sea life. Embark on an Endangered Animal Expedition with some popular tour guides as you learn about the world's endangered species. Admire dazzling dresses of ballroom dancers in the Garden's twist on Dancing with the Stars. Travel Through the Rainbow to the land of make-believe and catch a glimpse of unicorns, dragons and other mystical creatures. Other features will include a Circus Animal Parade, and a Winter Wonderland. The Holiday "I Spy" game will also be back with a new list of creations to find. Each area will have several hidden decorations for visitors to spot as they drive through the lighted scenes. Closed December 24th. Suggested donation: \$5 per car. 410-326-4640



# Books for the Holidays – Good Art Reads for Gift-giving or for Keeping all to Yourself!

All the Mighty World - The Photographs of Roger Fenton, 1852-1860 By Gordon Baldwin, Malcolm Daniel and Sarah Greenough

Bloomsbury Rooms - By Christopher Reed - The Bloomsbury circle included Virginia and Leonard Woolf, her sister Vanessa Bell, Duncan Grant, Roger Fry and other British luminaries. This book explores the decorative arts of their residences.

Anonymous - Enigmatic Images From
Unknown Photographers, By Robert Flynn
Johnson

Eat, Pray, Love: One Woman's Search for
Everything Across Italy, India and
Indonesia, by Elizabeth Gilbert

## Join the Calvert Artists' Guild

## Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc. Membership

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 interested in the arts is encouraged to join. Membership privileges include special rates for workshops, membersshows, the Guild newsletter "ColorSpots", special membership directory/roster and recognition and link on our website.

The dues year is a calendar year Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> – Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. \$25.00 dues. Membership form enclosed/attached. Make checks payable to Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc., and mail to P.O. Box 602, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Join Us Today! Renew your membership!

Don't miss being included in the 2008 Directory/Roster!

Mark your calendars for the dates shown on the Calendar of Events 2008! Save those dates early.

#### Announcements:

"Magic of Watercolor" Classes – Thursdays, in the new Studio School at Annmarie Garden. Classes begin on Feb. 21, and will be 1 pm to 4 pm. The class is limited to 10 students. Contact: Mary Blumberg, 410-394-0626, marybwatercolor@comcast.net

#### Out and About

Annual Holiday Gift Market at The Women's Museum® featuring a variety of items from a select group of women artisans and designers. Tues., Dec. 4, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Wed., Dec 5, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at the National Museum of Women in the Arts - 1250 New York Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20005-3970

Homer, Eakins, and Bellows: American Paintings, 1870–1925, from the National Gallery of Art's Permanent Collection

March 30, 2007 – December 31, 2007 at the National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

#### Edward Hopper

September 16, 2007 – January 21, 2008 at the National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

<u>Let the World In: Prints by Robert Rauschenberg</u> <u>from the National Gallery of Art and Related</u> Collections

October 28, 2007 - March 30, 2008 a CAWert Artists' Guild, Inc. National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

#### Announcements

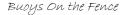
**Deadline January 25**: 2008 BWS Mid-Atlantic Regional Watercolor Exhibition, Show Apr.7 – May 12. SASE to Baltimore Watercolor Society, c/o Joyce Bell, 9873 Diversified Ln., Ellicott City, MD 21042, 410-465-8145, www.BaltimoreWatercolor.org.

If you know of other workshops or events, please contact Gerry Wood or Tammy Vitale to distribute the information.

# About Mary Blumberg, the new CAG President

Excellence and uniqueness, a major facet of Mary Blumberg's paintings, is a result of many years of study in a variety of creative art forms. From her outstanding participation as a docent for the Museum of Art in Ft. Lauderdale and her successful interior design studio, to being chosen for the Grumbacher Gold Medal, her work speaks of accomplishment in both watercolor and watermedia and her knowledge of art. She has studied with Jeanne Dobie, Christopher Schenk, Alex Powers, and many other nationally known artists during workshops in her home town, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and attended both workshops and classes at the Art League School in Alexandria, Virginia. Being able to work with nationally known local artists, Miles Batt, Dianne Nance and Eleanor Clarke, has been a special learning experience in the development of her personal style. Her paintings have appeared in many state and local shows, such as the Florida Watercolor Society Annual Exhibitions and nationally she has been accepted in the Torpedo Factory Open Media Exhibit in Virginia. She has won significant awards in these venues. Mary is a member of the Calvert Artists' Guild, Southern, Florida, and Baltimore Watercolor Societies, and is past president of the Gold Coast Watercolor Society in Ft. Lauderdale. In addition, her work can be found in several private collections including those custom-sized for hanging in private yachts.

Mary Blumberg





# CALENDAR of EVENTS 2008

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

- \*January 5, 2008 Saturday, Art Workshop "Printmaking"; Instructor: Rosa Valladares, 9:00-2:00, Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md, Contact: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net
- \*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
- \*Apríl 19, 2008 Saturday, CAG meeting and program; 10:00 a.m., Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md, Speaker: TBD; 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** Paínt-Out Day, Flag Ponds Park, St. Leonard, 10:00-2:00, carpool, \$4.00/car
- \*June 21, 2008, Saturday Watercolor ArtWorkshop, Instr: Línda Gríffin, Calvert Pines Cr, Pr. Frederick, Md, 9:00am-2: 00pm.; Contact: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verizon.net
- **July 12, 2008, Saturday** Paínt-Out Day, Greenwell State Park, Hollywood, (St. Mary's), 10:00-2:00; Contact: Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663; gbwood2@verízon.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, mary bwatercolor@comcast.net.
- \*September 20-21, 2008 Saturday-Sunday ArtsFEST, Annmaríe Garden, Solomons, Md., 10:00-5:00

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- September 27, 2008 Saturday Paínt-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, abwood2@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
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