

The Calvert Artists Guild Newsletter

Calvert Artist's Guild P.O. Box 602 Prince Frederick, MD 20678

President's Note

Hello again everyone. It's that time again and I am struggling to find something to say. I know, I know, you say "when has Harkins <u>ever</u> been at a loss for something to say?" Well, writing is way different than just opening my yap and spouting off! And, yes, I do struggle with something to put down on paper.

I would like to thank all the artists that participated in ARTsFEST. The weather didn't want to cooperate much but it turned out to be a pretty good show. Set up and take down went very smoothly. I don't know about everyone else but I enjoyed myself. I'm thinking we'll have to exclude Harry Knott next time, that or steal all his mice!!! Several artists besides Harry had quite nice sales as well. Good for all of you!!

We had a pretty decent turnout for our Paint Out at the Running Hare Winery. Gee Freeman is the only one to actually do any painting but myself and several others took a lot of photographs of the grapes and vines, the buildings, as well as the musician that provided live music. The day cleared up, the rain went away left us with cool cloudy weather, perfect for sitting around and having a wee bit of the grape. I don't know about anyone else but I will be returning for the views, the good music (on Saturdays) and the great wine.

Lonnie Harkins, CAG Prez



Saturday November 5, 2011 "Stained Glass" Workshop by Barney Harris

On Saturday, November 5, 2011 The Guild will be hosting a stained glass workshop by Barney Harris 9:00am-2:00pm, Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, Md. Contact persons: Lonnie Harkins, 410-326-7199 baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net or Gerry Wood, 301-863-9663, gbwood2@verizon.net. See the Registration Form on page 4.

Barney Higgins Harris – Bio



Barney Higgins Harris attended the Corcoran School of Art and worked in various other media including pastel and charcoal portraiture, pottery and weaving, before finding her niche in leaded art glass in the early 1980s. Zekiah Glass was created in 1989, and in 1999 she and her husband moved from Southern Maryland to the Northern Neck of Virginia.

Today, she concentrates on custom architectural commissions. In addition, she runs a bed & breakfast with its primary clientele being guests who wish to learn to do stained glass.

In between classes and commission work, she enjoys creating original stained glass panels of both organic and geometric design. Mermaids are a favorite theme and allow her to experiment freely with imaginative colors and textures. Waterscapes, often featuring herons and other local birds, reflect her love of the beauty of the Chesapeake Bay region.

Zekiah Glass has been featured in several diverse publications: The Washington Post newspaper and other major metropolitan newspapers throughout the Eastern seaboard, Washingtonian magazine, the Rivah Visitors Guide, Northern Neck News, and Chesapeake Life magazine, to name a few.

Barney is a member of the Rappahannock Art League, Women's Business Network and National Capitol Art Glass Guild.

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> October Featured Artist Lynn R. Ferris



A southern Maryland girl at heart, Lynn relocated out of the area for many years living in Florida and Texas always with a desire to return to family and friends in Maryland. She was happy to relocate to Chesapeake Beach in Calvert County in 1998.

Currently a retired (yippie!) NASA civil servant, Lynn has been interested in the arts since childhood. Watercolor became her medium of choice because she enjoys the fluidity and unpredictability it brings to a painting. It can be challenging at times but then there are those "happy accidents" you don't get with other mediums. Since retiring, Lynn has been able to dedicate more time to studying and improving her watercolor skills with a desire to become a respected and accomplished artist in the local community. In order to accomplish that goal, she knew she had to "step up" her game. She joined the Calvert Artist's Guild

(CAG) in the hopes of gaining inspiration and encouragement. It's proven to be a very good experience networking with individuals with like interests and talents as well as great camaraderie.

Lynn is also currently taking watercolor classes and workshops at the Art League School in Alexandria VA, and has been juried into several of the Art League Gallery all media shows. Her first award was received at the 2011 CAG Annmarie Garden Awards Show which was very exciting – Second Prize for her "Birds of a Feather" watercolor.

Living in a part of the country with four distinct seasons and on the shore of the Chesapeake Bay brings a great amount of inspiration to her work. Water and boat scenes, birds, animals, flowers, landscapes, and sunsets are some of her favorite subjects. She also enjoys traveling and has visited various parts of the United States as well as visits to England, Denmark, Switzerland, Austria, and Germany and has plans to visit many more countries in the future. All of these travels have provided great subject matter and ideas for her artwork, providing more photos than she will ever have time to paint!

When asked what advice she would give to others, Lynn says "my advice for others would be the same as I give myself: practice/paint more; set reasonable goals; keep entering shows and don't get discouraged."

Lynn is an associate member of the Baltimore Watercolor Society, Southern Watercolor Society, and the National Watercolor Society with a goal to someday be a signature member.



Watercolor: "Birds of a Feather" - Lynn Ferris



ARTsFEST 2011 Participants included Carmelo Ciancio, Candy Cummings, Lynn Ferris, Gee Freeman, Debbie Green, Lonnie Harkins, Harry Knott, Jackie Cutlip-Niles, Nia Olabesi, Cindy Pond, Geoffrey Reynolds, Linda Rosenthal, Jo Ruggieri, Michele Steiger, Carol Wade, Debbie Weimert, and Gerry Wood.



Annual Meeting & Program

Saturday, December 10, 2011 Calvert Pines Center, Pr. Frederick, MD 10:00 a.m.,

On Saturday, December 10, 2010 we'll hold the Calvert Artists' Guild Annual Meeting & Program, at Calvert Pines Sr. Center, 450 W. Dares Beach Rd., Prince Frederick, MD starting at 10:00am. Bring finger foods (foods that do not need to be cut up). During the business meeting we will hold elections and discuss the events planned for 2012. Following the business meeting we will have a demonstration of watercolor painting by Gerry Wood.

Contact persons: Lonnie Harkins:410-326-7199 baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net,

Or Gerry Wood: gbwood2@verizon.net, 301-863-9663.

The Running Hare Winery September Paint Out Location



Our turn out for the Running Hare Winery Paint Out was guite good for what started out as a drizzly overcast day. Shortly after Guild members arrived the drizzle tapered off and left us with a cool overcast that was great lighting for those of us that were taking photographs. While some of us wandered among the vines Gee Freeman set up easel and canvas on the patio area of the Events building overlooking the vines and began an oil painting. Later members gathered at the Tasting Room for wine tasting and live music provided by Brandon Kennedy, a guitar player/singer that plays Saturday afternoons. For those of you that did not make it you missed a great opportunity!!



WANTED – SUGGESTIONS FOR 2012 WORKSHOPS & PROGRAMS

Please send suggestions for workshops and programs to the Calvert Artists' Guild, Inc. P.O. Box 602, Prince Frederick, MD 20678 or email: Lonnie Harkins at baronvonsmoogle@netscape.net Phone 410-326-7199 or contact any of the officers. We will try to put your suggestions on the 2012 schedule.

New CAG Members

Please welcome the following new members to our organization:

Judy Larsen, 13049 Mills Creek Drive, Lusby, MD 20657,410-326-

4416, Designingwoman 5@gmail.com

Mel & Tricia Powell, 422 Overlook Dr., Lusby, MD 20657, 410-394-0211,

meldpowell@comcast.net

Matthew Spaulding, 4240 Weeping Willow Lane, Huntingtown, MD 20639, 301-938-0032, Matt@MatthewSpaulding.com

Urgent Call for Newsletter Editor!

We are in desperate need of a Guild Member willing to take on the duties of Newsletter Editor. Kay Collins, who did a superb job, had to relinquish the role. If you think you have the time and skills to do the job.

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GerryWood, 301863-9663gbwood2@verizon.net, or Cindy Pond, CLPond@comcast.net

FYI:

Kudos to member, Jackie Dinora, who won a prize at a recent Baltimore Watercolor Society Juried Show. Congratulations Jackie!

Calendar of Events 2011

October 8-9, 2011, 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

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Board Member Nominations Needed

Lonnie Harkins and Gerry Wood have agreed to serve in the same positions they now serve in for 2012. Cindy Pond will be unable to perform the office of Secretary next year therefore we need nominations for the position. Nominations can still be tendered for the offices of President and Treasurer even though the current officers have agreed to serve. Please send nominations to one of the current board members. Board Member elections will take place during the December 10 meeting at Calvert Pines Senior Center in Prince Frederick (see Calendar of Events).

Registration form for Stained Glass Workshop, Saturday, November 5 th , 2011 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. with Barney Harris
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