

THIS CENTURY **ART GALLERY ▲ WILLIAMSBURG**

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Spring 2006

President's Message

- ▲ We kicked off 2006 with a wonderful exhibit by two young artists, Clayton Jerome Singleton and Elizabeth Sawyer. Clayton gave a flamboyant description of his work at the members opening and returned to give a "closing" talk to residents of the African-American community in observation of *Black History Month*.
- ▲ In a continuing effort to build gallery awareness, we will again hold neighborhood social gatherings throughout the year. If you would like to support this program by inviting members of any club, or other organization you belong to, please contact Maggie Sobataka (564-6960).
- ▲ In addition to acting as docent for small groups, Maggie has developed an expanded Outreach Program for 2006, focused on art education. Art classes for the public are underway and a fall schedule has been reserved at the Community Building. Three workshops will run this year with

February Children's Reception



instructors from the **Virginia Museum of Fine Arts**, one exclusively for art teachers in the W/JCC school system. We will also offer art classes for home school students, which has been embraced enthusiastically.

- ▲ The Fall/Winter lectures, in collaboration with the **Williamsburg Library**, were well attended and will continue again later this year. Our outreach to the community is expanding and will be a major asset in repositioning the Gallery as a community art center.
- ▲ In spite of relentless efforts, finding a new building site continues to be a major challenge. However, we have ongoing discussions with the City and James City County for properties and hope to secure a site later this spring. This is our number one priority and we will keep you posted on our progress.
- ▲ Two fall fundraisers will be held this year. We have been selected by the **Williamsburg Winery** as a participant in their open house benefit held in conjunction with *Grand Illumination*. This event will be shared with the **Williamsburg Symphonia**, whom we partnered with previously for *Painted Violins* project in 2004. Our other event is in development and will be announced soon.

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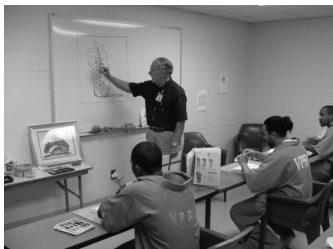
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OUTREACH PROGRAM

Maggie Sobataka
Outreach Chairman

Outreach programming continues to grow as we bring art to the Greater Williamsburg community. Currently, we are conducting our **Art Classes** for adults. The students are very enthusiastic, and more six-week sessions will be offered this fall. Our spring and summer classes will consist of one-day workshops, plein air painting and more. Be sure to watch for information since the workshops may be limited in the number of participants accepted.

Our **School Volunteer Program** is also expanding. Through meetings with the art teachers, we have prioritized how best to serve these teachers and their students. We will be developing consistent communications with the teachers and interactive programming for the 2006-2007 school year.



Art Behind Bars, **Youth at Risk**, and **Art at Crossroads** programs address the needs of the adults and youth caught in challenging life situations. Art significantly impacts these individuals, and all three programs make up an area of important outreach services.

Kids' Art Day is scheduled for the morning of **Saturday, April 29** at the **Community Building**. It is with great excitement that we announce our new partnership with **Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Williamsburg**. Gallery members can look forward to a long-term relationship with this great community agency. We share the common goal of working to enrich the lives of children. We will need the help of our members to make this a fun day for kids of all ages. To volunteer your talent or time, please contact Lori Jakubow at curlyworks@att.net.

Finally, Outreach continues to provide **Docent Tours** for any community organization or school wishing to schedule. By welcoming groups, we have an opportunity to introduce ourselves to people who may never have been to our facility and

are unfamiliar with our role in the community. While touring, we not only discuss the art and craft works, but inform the guests of our participation in the community of Greater Williamsburg. We hope they are inspired to join our Gallery and its group of dedicated volunteers.

These Outreach programs and others not reported on in this review require the participation of volunteers who care. Please contact the Gallery if you are interested in helping with our expanding **Outreach Program**.

STILL LIFE IN OIL

Art Workshop

This Century Art Gallery, in partnership with the **Virginia Museum of Fine Arts**, will offer a workshop entitled *Still Life in Oil*. The workshop will be held at the **Williamsburg Community Building**, 401 North Boundary Street, on **Saturday, April 22, 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.** Participation is **limited to 15 students**.

Artist David Tanner has designed a workshop which develops observational skills to create realistic oil paintings from still-life. Line, form, value, texture, space and color are emphasized.

The fee for the workshop is \$50.00. Registration may be made at **This Century Art Gallery** by payment of the fee. Materials are provided unless students prefer to use their own. Please plan to bring an upright easel only for working. Sign-in is 9:15 A.M. with morning refreshments provided.

Tanner has a B.F.A. from **Virginia Commonwealth University**. Since 1991, he has created commissioned oil portraits for families and institutions throughout the Eastern Seaboard. An experienced instructor, Tanner teaches drawing and painting at the **VMFA Studio School** where he is Artist-in-Residence, the **Richmond Visual Arts Center** (formerly "The Hand Workshop Art Center"), and **Crossroads Art Center**.

David Tanner's work and biographical information may be found by going to his website, www.tannerportraits.com. Questions, call **Maggie Sobataka, 564-6960**.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2006

The Gallery is pleased to welcome the following new members who have joined us through the end of February. We look forward to your continued support.

Terence Abbott
James & Ann Marie Bill
JoNell & Michael Dann
Diane Forse
Sharon D. Grossman
Adam Hathaway
Becky Howard
Dianne Jordan
David Koenig
Alice & Seigmond Kopinitz
Donna Mitchell
Paula Morse
Jan Price
Catherine Simpson
Susan Sims
Ann H. Snead
Susan Strasser
June Teuscher
Jeffrey & Shelley Weisberg
Anne & Philip Young, Jr.
Anne & J.R. Zepkin

- ▲ We need your help in a variety of volunteer positions and hope you will participate in some way as we strive to become the community art center for greater Williamsburg.

As always, I welcome your comments and suggestions.

Michael Kirby
President

Member News

The newly formed **Virginia Collage Society**, an affiliate of the **National Collage Society**, met on January 16, 2006, at **Crossroads Art Center** in Richmond, Va. A Board was elected at this time. Dues were set at \$25.00 per year for the local chapter and \$30. per year to the NCS.

The **Virginia Collage Society** is opened to all artists interested in the art of collage, assemblage, and the paper arts.

For further information, contact **DARE BOLES** at 804-672-8326 or at calvin.boles@earthlink.net.

NOREEN ADAMS, a member & desk volunteer, won the *Free Art Class* which the Gallery offered in the *Art Escape* brochure.



STRETCH YOURSELF

How to Maximize Your Contributions of Time and Money

Volunteers, did you know there is another way to maximize your contribution to the Gallery? If you or your spouse is associated with a large Corporation that has a matching gift program, you may be able to get the company to provide monetary contributions in proportion to your volunteer service.

Our Business Manager, **CHARLENE ZOLAD**, through her husband Bob, receives a matching contribution from the **ExxonMobil Foundation** for the amount of hours she volunteers at the Gallery. The program is called **Volunteer Involvement Program**. The purpose of the **Volunteer Involvement Program** is to encourage volunteerism in the community. Volunteer service, activities and projects are consistent with their pledge to be a good corporate citizen and support important societal goals including education, health and human services, and the environment.

Also, check your former employers to see if they offer matching funds programs. While some corporations have discontinued this practice, many still support education, cultural and other worthy causes by matching employee and former employee contributions. It's certainly worth a phone call.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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<i>Business Manager</i>	Charlene Zolad
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<i>Treasurer</i>	Bob Johnson

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2006. Please submit news items to Lydia Mayo via e-mail, lydiamayo@cox.net or by phone, 221-0191. Thank you.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

GARY MARATHON: OIL ON CANVAS

BARRY CHLYPAVKA: HANDTHROWN STONEWARE & STEEL VESSELS
MARCH 28-MAY 8, 2006

ART WORKSHOP

WILLIAMSBURG COMMUNITY BUILDING
APRIL 22, 2006 ▲ 10:00 AM-4 PM
Still Life in Oil

KIDS' ART DAY

WILLIAMSBURG COMMUNITY BUILDING
APRIL 29, 2006 ▲ 9:30 AM-12:30 PM
In partnership with Big Brother Big Sisters

NANCY F. MIDGETTE, WATERCOLORS

ANNE SCARPA MCCAULEY, WILD HONEYSUCKLE BASKETS
MAY 9 - JUNE 9, 2006

CLOSED JUNE 10 - JUNE 18, 2006

2006 ANNUAL MEMBER'S SHOW

JUNE 20-JULY 28, 2006

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