Calvert County offers some of the most beautiful and varied natural resources on the East Coast, including scenic beaches and peaceful vistas of rolling hills. You will also find old tobacco barns dotting the landscape, plus fresh farm stands and vineyards.

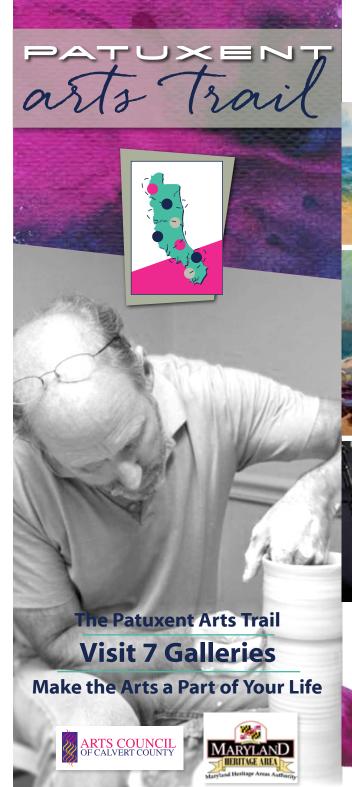
Following the Patuxent Arts Trail will help you find the art galleries that offer high-quality fine arts and craftsmanship. You will see work from international and national artists as well as many local artists who draw upon the visual riches of the Chesapeake Bay and the Patuxent River. You can start in Dunkirk and end your trip in scenic Solomons Island or start south and work your way north.

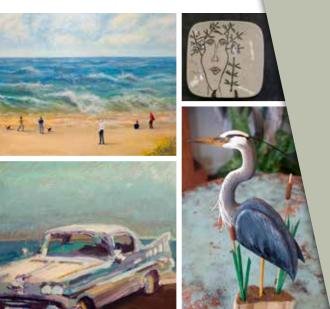
Don't go home without enjoying some of the best arts and quality crafts this area has to offer. You'll see the award-winning work of professional photographers, painters, wood-turners and potters. See what's new and exciting in other materials like fabric, glass and jewelry.

Purchase one-of-a-kind artwork for that special spot in your own home or beach house. Give unique gifts to family and friends who support the arts. It's even likely you will meet some of the artists on your travels or learn about them from gallery hosts.

The trail is an easy drive from Washington, D.C., Baltimore and Annapolis. The area has something to offer in every season and art lovers following the trail will be happily lured into restaurants and wineries that also feature artists' work.











Clockwise from top left: *Beach* by Pam Callen, Fused Glass by Denise Breitburg, *Heron* by Mary Gault, Raku Glazed Pot by Ray Bogle, *Skipjack at Rest* by Kevin Higgins and *South Beach* by Mimi Little.















Before the Storm by Robert Dawson



## nnmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center

13480 Dowell Road Dowell, MD 20629 Hours: Grounds daily, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Arts Center daily, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Phone: 410-326-4640 www.annmariegarden.org

Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center is located in scenic Solomons where the Patuxent River meets the Chesapeake Bay. The sculpture garden features a oneguarter-mile paved walking path that meanders through the woods past permanent and loaned sculptures, including more than 30 works on loan from the Smithsonian Institution and the National Gallery of Art. The award-winning Murray Arts Building includes two exhibition galleries, a gift shop and a sunny patio.

Annmarie presents a variety of popular annual festivals, rotating exhibitions, family activities and creative public programs. The Studio School offers classes for all ages and abilities from pottery to dance, all taught by professional, certified artists and arts educators. Don't miss our free-play area in the Fairy Lolly, ranked #2 of the six best playgrounds in central Maryland by Chesapeake Family magazine. Come explore this special place where art and nature meet!



'armen's gallery 14550 Solomons Island Road Solomons, MD 20688 Hours: Wednesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Phone: 410-326-2549 www.carmensgallery.com

Carmen's gallery is celebrating its 34th year on historic Solomons Island. From the moment you enter this charming waterfront gallery you know that you have found something special. Enjoy the original paintings of world-renowned artists alongside some regional favorites, including gallery owner Carmen Lee Nance Gambrill, whose studio is open for visitors on the second floor.

The gallery offerings are diverse and include artists from Belgium, England, Peru and the Ukraine as well as handmade jewelry, pottery, sculpture and fabric art. Custom framing is available on the premises. The gallery proudly hosts the juried Solomons Plein Air Festival in September and welcomes artists to Solomons from all over the nation. The best part of visiting carmen's gallery is, of course, the warm and accommodating staff and resident felines who are always looking to make new friends.



alvArt Gallery 110 Solomons Island Road Prince Frederick, MD 20678 Hours: Wednesday-Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Phone: 410-535-9252 www.calvartgallery.org

CalvART is a cooperative gallery located in Prince Frederick and affiliated with the Arts Council of Calvert County, CalvART is a showcase for artists from Southern Maryland and highlights work from a wide range of styles and media. The artists excel in paintings, pottery, jewelry, sculpture, woodturning and photography.

You are always welcomed to browse and spend a part of the day looking at artwork and meeting the artists. Consider attending one of the monthly receptions or special events.



## ridays Creek Winery

3485 Chaneyville Road Owings, MD 20736 Hours: Thursday-Monday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Phone: 410-286-9463 www.fridayscreek.com

Fridays Creek Winery is a family-owned farm winery housed in a remodeled tobacco barn that dates from the 1920s. Where tobacco once hung, local art now resides and wine now ages in oak barrels. The high ceiling and dark rough sawn barn wood create an informal and yet intimate space. This space is a nice place for a small gathering and an excellent venue to display the creations of local artists.



## hesapeake Gallery & House of Frames

475 Main St. Prince Frederick, MD 20678 Hours: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Phone: 410-257-1420 www.chesapeakeartandframe.com

Chesapeake Gallery & House of Frames, established in 1992, is family owned and operated. The gallery provides a historical setting for local artisans to display and sell their works of art. The gallery features local and regional art of all media and welcomes new and creative artists to display in a unique gallery setting. The gallery also offers a full-service, award-winning custom frame shop.



North Beach, MD 20714 Hours: Thursday-Sunday, hours vary Phone: 410-286-5278 www.artworksat7th.com www.facebook.com/Artworkat7th

Located in the quaint bayside town of North Beach, ArtWorks@7th seamlessly blends the unique talents and inspired creativity of its local artist members with the riches of the bay and the surrounding natural beauty.

Still life, landscape, bay life and abstract paintings of various styles and techniques; jewelry for the young and not-so-young; photographs of the familiar and not-so-familiar; wood sculptures featuring bay wildlife; artistic, imaginative and functional pottery and ceramic creations; and beautiful hand-made shawls are just some of the works available. Come and visit to browse and enjoy the artistry or find that special something for family, friends, acquaintances or for yourself!



10735 Town Center Blvd. Suite 1, Dunkirk, MD 20754 Hours: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Phone: 410-257-6616 or 301-855-4515 www.medartgalleries.com

Medart Galleries, a family-owned and operated business since 1968, is located in Dunkirk. The beautiful gallery is filled with original art as well as fine art limited edition prints. Visitors will also be pleased to find fused glass art and functional hand-crafted pottery in beautiful colors and patterns lining the shelves.

Custom framing is also available for both business and family wall art. Much of the excitement in the gallery emanates from the framing table, which is alive with patrons mixing and matching colored mats with molding choices. It all happens with the help of expert staff. In addition, as a Music and Arts Centers Affiliate, they rent and sell musical instruments and accessories. The Medart family is committed to community enrichment. The owners proudly serve on boards and volunteer their time and talents. Visit and see the excellent choices available or get help with your decorating and gift-giving needs.