



Visitor News from Calvert County, Maryland



September 2017

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### Calendar of Events

Fridays, Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

**Farmers' Market, Classic Car Cruise-in & Art Fair**  
6-9 p.m.

[North Beach](#)

Fridays, Fridays, Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

**Rock the Dock Concert Series Featuring Big T (DJ)**  
6:30-10:30 p.m.

[Chesapeake Beach Resort & Spa](#)

Mondays, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25  
**Monday Memories House & Garden Tours**

10 a.m. & 1 p.m.

[Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum](#)

## A Treat for the Aesthete

# Artistic Adventures

Calvert County has something to offer in every season but art lovers know that September brings extra adventures for those with a passion for virtuosity.



**Playing:** If you delight in whimsical street performers, living statues or bubble artists, look no further than ArtsFest at [Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center](#). From

10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sept. 16 and 17, enjoy more than 165 artist booths, 30 performers on two stages, activities for kids in the Discovery Tent, Studio School, the Zany Zone and great food, wine and beer. It is a fabulous weekend of great shopping and artful activities.



**Painting:** Expand your horizons and watch the masters paint Calvert County's beautiful town of Solomons during the Solomons Plein Air Festival. More than 30 artists from all over the country will

set up their easels throughout the town and allow the public to watch them move from bare canvas to a final masterpiece. The competitive side of the festival pits artists against each other for prizes awarded after four days of painting "en plein air" (outside on location). [Visit online](#) to map out your journey Sept. 18-24.

Saturday, Sept. 9  
**Taste the Beaches**  
1-5 p.m.  
[Chesapeake Beach](#)

Saturday, Sept. 9  
**Bee Gees and Donna  
Summer Tribute Concert**  
5-10 p.m.  
[Jefferson Patterson Park &  
Museum](#)

Tuesday, Sept. 12  
**Dixie Power Trio & The  
New Line Brass Concert**  
7:30-9:30 p.m.  
[Chesapeake Beach Railway  
Museum](#)

Thursday, Sept. 14  
**Live Music Featuring Tim  
Hayden**  
6-8 p.m.  
[Scorpion Brewing Company](#)

Friday, Sept. 15  
**Maritime Performance  
Series Featuring Creole  
Gumbo Jazz Band**  
7 p.m.  
[Calvert Marine Museum](#)

Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 16-  
17  
**Artsfest: Fine Arts Festival**  
10 a.m.-5 p.m.  
[Annmarie Sculpture Garden  
& Arts Center](#)

Monday-Sunday, Sept. 18-  
24  
**Solomons Plein Air  
Festival**  
[Solomons Island](#)

Saturday, Sept. 16  
**Teddy Bear Tea Party**  
1-3 p.m.  
[Jefferson Patterson Park &  
Museum](#)

Saturday, Sept. 16  
**Village Day - Bone Tools**  
10 a.m.-3 p.m.  
[Jefferson Patterson Park &  
Museum](#)

Sunday, Sept. 17  
**Calvert County  
Watermen's Festival**  
Noon  
[Watermen's Wharf](#)

Tuesday, Sept. 19



Exploring: [The Patuxent Arts Trail](#) is a timeless adventure any day of the year. Following the Patuxent Arts Trail will help you find the art galleries that offer high-quality fine arts and craftsmanship, from photography, paintings and pottery to pieces in materials like fabric, glass and jewelry. 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.

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## Portraits in Propagation Celebrating Agriculture at the Annual Fall Farm Festival



A working farm can be a work of art in itself, a sensory feast -- especially during harvest season. Who can resist the bright hues of fall produce, the rich smell of fertile soil, the silken warmth of a baby goat?

Get to know Calvert County's rural community and experience rich agricultural heritage at five working farms during the annual [Calvert County Farm Festival](#) Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 21-22.

Purchase pumpkins and other fall produce, take a hay ride, sample wines and much more from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., rain or shine.

[Spider Hall Farm](#)  
3915 Hallowing Point Road, Prince Frederick  
410-610-0094

[Fridays Creek Winery](#)  
3485 Chaneyville Road, Owings  
410-286-9463

[Perigeaux Vineyards and Winery](#)  
8650 Mackall Road, St. Leonard  
410-586-2710

[Horsmon Farm](#)  
1865 Horsmon Farm Lane, St. Leonard  
443-532-5761

[Mulberry Hill Farm](#)  
1605 Solomons Island Road, Huntingtown  
410-257-3885

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Read Scholar Summer  
Music Series Featuring  
Rachel Eddy  
7 p.m.

[Calvert Marine Museum](#)

Thursday, Sept. 21  
Live Music Featuring Bay  
Jazz Project  
6-8 p.m.

[Scorpion Brewing Company](#)

Saturday, Sept. 23  
3rd Annual Patriotic Jeeps  
Tiki Trek Event  
12-6 p.m.

[The Tiki Bar](#)

Sept. 27-Oct. 1  
Calvert County Fair

[Calvert County Fairgrounds](#)

Thursday, Sept. 28  
Live Music Featuring  
Hangman's Faire  
6-8 p.m.

[Scorpion Brewing Company](#)

Thursday, Sept. 28  
JPPM Speaker Series:  
"Chocolate Through Time"  
7-8:30 p.m.

[Jefferson Patterson Park &  
Museum](#)

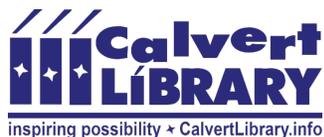
Friday, Sept. 29  
Pirate Day  
10 a.m.-5 p.m.

[Calvert Marine Museum](#)

Saturday, Sept. 30  
Patterson House Farewell  
Tour

11 a.m.-3 p.m.

[Jefferson Patterson Park &  
Museum](#)



Calvert Library offers complimentary or reduced-price passes to more than 20 participating community partners, including museums, wineries, parks and more. All you need is a library card!

Quick Links

Celebrating the Waterman

## The Art of Docking



You do not want to miss the [16th Annual Calvert County Watermen's Festival](#) at Watermen's Wharf at the end of Solomons Island. The festival is best known for its boat docking contest, during which skillful boat captains from all over the region show off their docking skills for cash, prizes

and trophies. With never a dull moment, this is a spectacular event to watch. Mark your calendars for Sept. 17 and enjoy live docking and entertainment in the heart Maryland's maritime community.

Meet Me on the Midway

## A Fair to Remember



All are invited to step back in time and experience the traditional sounds, sights and flavors of an [old-fashioned country fair](#) in Calvert County Sept. 27-Oct. 1.

Meander through barns of livestock, cheer on wood-cutting contests and pig

racers and enjoy a bustling midway full of carnival rides. Our fair buildings are chock full of prized gourds, gigantic pumpkins, handmade quilts, pies and crafts that compete for the coveted blue ribbon and, in some cases, the chance to compete at the Maryland State Fair.



This year the Pirates of the Colombian Caribbean starring the sensational Murcia family world-famous high wire act joins the Calvert County fair. Watch as they execute daring feats, acrobatics and tricks on the 2-inch steel cable. Performed in authentic pirate costumes, the show is complete with a beautiful pirate ship backdrop and set,

exciting and suspenseful music, fantastic use of lighting and smoke effects for an experience that you will never forget. It is nonstop action from beginning to end and guaranteed to thrill all ages.

And be sure to bring your appetite. Our local restaurants and vendors delight foodies with a variety of local favorites including crab cakes, succulent fried oysters, authentic barbecue and famous stuffed ham sandwiches.



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## All the Pretty Seahorses



In 2004, the Calvert County art community, businesses and area students joined to create a public art project to commemorate Calvert County's 350th anniversary. The 'Seahorse By the Bay' project saw 26 seahorses creatively decorated by Calvert County school students and placed throughout the county for celebratory display. Organizers then raffled off the seahorses to raise money for Calvert County's burgeoning art community. One seahorse, recently re-adorned by

former Calvert Marine Museum artist Jim Langley, is on prominent display at the Solomons Visitor Center.

We invite the public to stop by and view this beautiful fish - [a species that remains plentiful and flourishing](#) in our beloved Chesapeake Bay. We also invite the 25 other "Seahorse By the Bay" seahorse owners to check in and let us know where all the seahorses live now. We would love to feature a photo of as many seahorses we can find in our newly renovated Solomons Visitors Center. Email [Katie.Brittain@calvertcountymd.gov](mailto:Katie.Brittain@calvertcountymd.gov) for more information.