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## **“Birds”**

Exhibit of oil paintings, June 26th to July 30th, 2011  
Fredericksburg Center for Creative Arts (FCCA), 813 Sophia St  
opening reception Fri July 1, 6 to 8:30pm during Olde Town’s First Friday

Why do we have an age old fascination and love affair with birds? From the backyard birder thrilled to spot an elusive “little wisp of a thing” to the artists through all of history who have created bird imagery; these animals seem to carry a fullness of symbolism. Or maybe they are something we wish we could be; free to float above all things and to be removed in an “other” kind of existence; just to “be.”

The artwork of local Fredericksburg oil painter Tracey Clarke comes to FCCA on June 26 and will hang through July 30. To celebrate the “Birds” exhibit, an opening reception will coincide with Fredericksburg’s *First Friday* on July 1 from 6 to 8:30pm. Along with her creative artistic vision and strong technical ability, Tracey’s oil paintings reflect her deep love of animals. This exhibit is a collection of studies of birds in oil paint exploring form and color.



The Fredericksburg Center for the Creative Arts will exhibit “Birds” in the member’s gallery. The gallery is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday from 12 noon to 4pm and Saturdays from 11am to 4pm. The gallery is closed on Tuesdays. The show is free and open to the public.

**Location: 813 Sophia Street; Fredericksburg, VA 22401**  
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