

# Virginia Commission for the Arts

## 2012 Fellowship Award Winner – Stephen L. Griffin, (Colonial Beach, VA)

### Artist Information

Stephen L. Griffin  
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### Biography

Stephen L Griffin was born in 1946 in Jefferson, Wisconsin and have lived in Virginia for the past thirty-two years. He moved from Fredericksburg, VA to Colonial Beach, VA in 2004. Griffin has been an active painter for over forty-five years. In 1968 he was one of twelve undergraduate students chosen from a national pool to attend the first year of the new Independent Study Program at the Whitney Museum in New York City. The ISP is still active today.

Since retiring from teaching in the Art Department at the University of Mary Washington in 2008, Griffin has continued to work in his studio in Colonial Beach, Va. He recently received a 2011-2012 professional fellowship in painting from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and a 2012 -2013 fellowship in painting from the Virginia Commission for the Arts. Griffin has also been awarded two residency fellowships from the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts in Amherst, VA.

Griffin's work hangs in many private and corporate collections and has been included in over 175 exhibitions. His work is represented by several galleries including the Glave Kocen Gallery in Richmond and the Long View Gallery in Washington DC.

### Selected Work



*VCCA Strata #1*  
2011  
Acrylic on Canvas  
30w x36h



*VCCA Strata #2*  
2011  
Acrylic on Canvas  
30w x36h



*VCCA Strata #5*  
2011  
Acrylic on Canvas  
30w x36h