



### **Limited Edition Print of FCCA's SilverSmith House Now Available for Sale**

A collection of Limited Edition reproduction prints of renowned artist Bueno Silva's rendering of the Historic SilverSmith House (circa 1785) were recently rediscovered in the storage area of FCCA! Each high quality reproduction print (measuring 22 ½" wide x 19 ½" high) is signed and numbered by the artist.

Silva created the original oil painting in 1987 to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Fredericksburg

Center for the Creative Arts (FCCA) which has been headquartered in the SilverSmith House since 1962. FCCA members may now purchase these limited edition prints for the special price of \$40.00 each (while they last). Contact 540-373-5646 for more information and to purchase your copy today!

### ***History of FCCA's Historic SilverSmith House***

The SilverSmith House was built in 1785 by John Brownlow and purchased soon after by James Brown, silversmith and father of six. The house represents a transitional period in Fredericksburg's history as it was built near the end of an era when high roof ridge peaks were the norm and half-timbered structures were common. The home typifies a middle-class tradesman's habitat in colonial times and offers testimony to the political transition that the Revolutionary War brought to Virginia.

During both Civil War battles for Fredericksburg, the house served as a forward hospital for Union forces. Wounded were brought to the building for immediate medical treatment before being moved to larger hospitals in nearby Stafford for long-term care. The house was undamaged during either battle.

Saved from demolition in the early 1960's by FCCA, the historic building has been home the art center ever since.