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April 16, 2015



ArtsFest 2015 is Coming!

Call for Artists, Authors, Exhibitors!

Saturday, June 13, 2015  
(Rain Date: Sunday, June 14)  
11:00 am - 5:00 pm

La Plata Town Hall  
305 Queen Anne Street  
La Plata, MD

Next "Early Bird Discount" Ends **April 30!**

The Charles County Arts Alliance is pleased to announce our 23rd annual ArtsFest, to be held on Saturday, June 13, 2015, from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm, on the beautiful grounds of the La Plata Town Hall, in La Plata, Maryland. ArtsFest is the largest arts festival in Charles County, and one of the largest in Southern Maryland. We are pleased to be presenting ArtsFest for the fourth year in partnership with the Town of La Plata.

Visual and literary artists of all media are invited to display and sell their works. In addition, nonprofit arts organizations are invited as exhibitors to display information and encourage participation in their performing, visual and literary arts activities. Also invited as nonprofit exhibitors are cultural, historical, heritage and environmental organizations.

Time is of the essence, so please register for your booth space today and save money! The last "Early Bird Discount"

ends on April 30. The final deadline for registration is May 31.

Click [HERE](#) to download the ArtsFest 2015 Registration Form for all visual and literary Artist Vendors (sales) and Nonprofit Organization Exhibitors (no sales).

Click [HERE](#) to download the ArtsFest 2015 Food Vendor Registration Form.

Forms are also available on the CCAA website at [www.charlescountyarts.org](http://www.charlescountyarts.org).

For more info or if you have any questions, please contact our CCAA Office at [info@charlescountyarts.org](mailto:info@charlescountyarts.org), or call 301-392-5900.



## Lincoln 150 - On the Trail of the Assassin

History comes alive this weekend! After shooting President Abraham Lincoln on April 14, 1865, John Wilkes Booth rode on horseback with co-conspirator David Herold to Dr. Mudd's home for surgery on his fractured leg before continuing his escape. Now you can immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of the Lincoln 150 Commemoration. Enjoy Civil War re-enactors, encampments, music, theater, guided tours, literary readings and food.

Friday, April 17, 6:00 - 8:30 pm

### ***An Evening of Civil War Music and Words***

College of Southern Maryland, Center for Business and Industry (BI) Building, Room 113  
8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata  
Free

The College of Southern Maryland presents "Charles County in the Civil War," a lecture by Dr. Christine Arnold Lourie, CSM Professor of History; followed by "Civil War Music and Words," a dramatic presentation with music, performed by CSM theatre students. For more information, call 301-934-7828.

Friday, April 17, 6:00 pm

Saturday, April 18, 9:30 am, 10:45 am, 12:00 noon

### ***A Global View of The Escape***

James E. Richmond Science Center,  
5305 Piney Church Rd, Waldorf, MD 20603  
Tickets: \$5 per Person

Experience history through science at the James E. Richmond Science Center. Using the latest digital dome technology and Science on a Sphere, audiences will get a vivid picture of Booth's escape path. For more information, call 301-934-7464, e mail [JERScienceCenter@ccboe.com](mailto:JERScienceCenter@ccboe.com), or visit <http://www.ccboe.com/sciencecenter>.

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Saturday, April 18, 10:00 am - 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 19, 11:00 am - 7:00 pm

### ***Lincoln 150 - On the Trail of the Assassin***

Dr. Samuel Mudd House Museum  
3725 Doctor Samuel Mudd Road, Waldorf, MD 20601  
Event Parking: \$5 Cash per Car (Parking is at Malcolm Elementary School, 14760 Poplar Hill Road, Waldorf, with shuttles to the Dr. Mudd House)  
House Tour Admission: \$8 for Adults, \$2 for Children (6 - 16); Free for Members  
Commissioner President Peter Murphy's Welcome, Saturday, April 18, 1:30 - 1:45 pm

Activities include: Port Tobacco Players Theater Production titled, "The Assassin's Doctor," living history group and sutlers, first person impressions (Abraham Lincoln, Robert E. Lee, Ulysses S. Grant, Dr. Mudd, etc.), guest speakers, authors who specialize in the Civil War era, book signings, music performances, and Civil War dolls display. For more information, call 800-766-3386, or email [welcomecenter@charlescountymd.gov](mailto:welcomecenter@charlescountymd.gov).

Saturday - Sunday, April 18 - 19, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

### ***Villains, Rebels & Rogues***

Rich Hill Farm House (home of Samuel Cox)

Rich Hill Farm Road, Bel Alton, MD 20611

Free

Join professional archaeologists as they excavate around Rich Hill Farm uncovering evidence of its 19th century appearance. Hear from local historians as they share Rich Hill's connection to the Lincoln assassination and learn about the little known people who lived and worked on this historic Charles County farm. For more information, call 800-766-3386, or email [welcomecenter@charlescountymd.gov](mailto:welcomecenter@charlescountymd.gov).

Saturday - Sunday, April 18 - 19, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm (last tour begins at 3:00 pm)

### ***Conspiracy - The Talk of Port Tobacco***

Port Tobacco Historic Village

8430 Commerce Street, Port Tobacco, MD 20677

Event Admission: \$5

Come take a walk around Port Tobacco Village, a Maryland port town that was a hotbed of Confederate activity and where residents may have been involved in the conspiracy. Learn about one of the conspirators who lived and owned a business there. For more information, call 301-392-3418, or email [historicdistrict@charlescountymd.gov](mailto:historicdistrict@charlescountymd.gov).

For more information about Lincoln 150, visit <http://www.charlescountymd.gov/Lincoln150>.

## **PERFORMING ARTS** [{top}](#)

Thomas Stone High School

United States Navy Band

Thursday, April 16, 7:00 pm

3785 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf

Free Admission



The United States Navy Band, the premier wind ensemble of the U.S. Navy, presents a wide array of marches, patriotic selections, orchestral transcriptions

and modern wind ensemble repertoire. For more information, go to <http://www.navyband.navy.mil>.

Maurice J. McDonough High School Show Choir

Disney Spectacular

Thursday - Friday, April 16 - 17, 6:30 pm

7165 Marshall Corner Road, Pomfret

Tickets: \$5

The song and dance production features Disney hits including "Circle of Life," "Let It Go," "It's a Small World," "You've Got a Friend in Me," "Hakuna

In This Flash

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Matata," "I Just Can't Wait to be King," and more, plus a visit from Mickey and Minnie Mouse! For more information, call 301-934-2944.

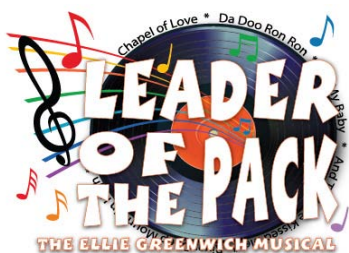
## Westlake High School

### Leader of the Pack: The Ellie Greenwich Musical

Thursday - Saturday, April 16 - 18, 7:00 pm

3300 Middletown Road, Waldorf

Tickets: \$8 Adults; \$7 Senior Citizens; \$6 Students; School system staff can receive two free tickets with their identification badge.



The musical celebrates the life and music of Ellie Greenwich, a popular artist well known for teenage pop songs during the 1960s. Popular songs featured in the musical include "Chapel of Love," "Be My Baby" and "Do Wah Diddy." For more information, call 301-645-8857.

## North Point High School

### Into the Woods

Thursday - Friday, April 16 - 17, 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 18, 1:00 and 7:00 pm

2500 Davis Road, Waldorf

Tickets: \$8 General Admission; \$5 Students and Senior Citizens; CCPS staff also receive one free ticket with their identification badge.



The musical is inspired by the Grimm Brother's fairy tales *Cinderella*, *Rapunzel*, *Little Red Riding Hood*, and *Jack and the Beanstalk*, and follows the story of a husband and wife as they try to start a

family and encounter a witch who puts a curse on them.

Elementary and middle school students can attend the matinee showing on April 18 for half-price admission. Call 301-753-1759 for more information.

## St. Charles High School

### Once Upon a Mattress

Friday, April 17, 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 18, 2:00 and 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 19, 2:00 pm

5305 Piney Church Road, Waldorf



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## Golden Renaissance JEWELLERS



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Tickets: \$8 General Admission; \$6 Students, Senior Citizens, Military, and Thespians; CCPS staff also receive a free ticket with their identification badge



The show is a musical comedy that was written as an adaptation of the Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale *The Princess and the Pea*. The story follows Princess Winnifred and her desire to marry Prince Dauntless the Drab. His mother, Queen Agravain, creates a test for all princesses interested in marrying her son and the princess has to comply. Call 301-753-2090 for more information.

## Henry E. Lackey High School William Shakespeare's Comedy of Errors

Friday - Saturday, April 17-18, 6:30 pm

Sunday, April 19, 2:00 pm

3000 Chicamuxen Road, Indian Head

Tickets: \$8 Adults; \$7 Students, Senior Citizens, Military;

CCPS staff receive a free ticket, along with one guest, by showing their identification badge.



The play highlights the story of two sets of identical twins who were accidentally separated at birth. *Comedy of Errors* is one of Shakespeare's earlier plays and includes rules for drama

introduced by Aristotle. Call 301-743-5431 for more information.

## College of Southern Maryland 12th Annual Jazz Festival

Friday - Saturday, April 17 - 18, 8:00 pm

La Plata Campus, Fine Arts Theater

8730 Mitchell Road

Tickets: \$5 in Advance; \$7 Day of Concert



The Friday concert features the Randy Runyon Trio. Saturday's concert spotlights the North Point High School Jazz Ensemble, with The Randy Runyon Trio, CSM's Solid Brass Big Band Ensemble, and guest performer Matt Harris. Contact

the Box Office at [bxoffc@csmd.edu](mailto:bxoffc@csmd.edu) or call 301-934-7828, for more information.



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## Newtowne Players

### Picnic by William Inge

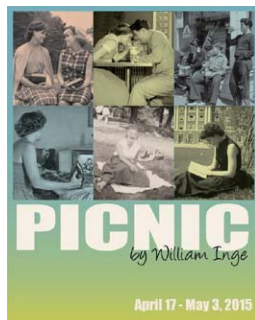
April 17 - May 3

Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, 8:00 pm

Sundays, 3:30 pm

Tickets: \$15 Adults; \$12 Seniors (65+), Military; \$12 Children under 12; \$10 Thursday Performances

Three Notch Theatre, 21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park, MD



Emotions ignite when a handsome drifter arrives in a small Kansas community on the morning of their Labor Day picnic. Set in a small town in 1950s Kansas, *Picnic* details the lives of "ordinary" Americans, from hopeful widows and embittered spinsters to idealistic teenagers and restless wanderers. For more information, call 301-737-5447, or go to <http://www.newtowneplayers.org>.

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

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## Eastern States Theater Association

### One-Act Festival

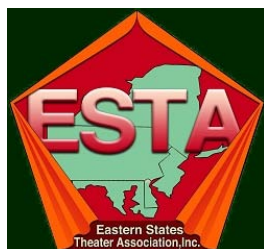
Performances, Saturday, April 18

Port Tobacco Players Theater

508 Charles Street, La Plata, MD

Tickets: \$20 per Session

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Nine theater groups from New York; Pennsylvania; Washington, DC; Delaware and Maryland will compete, with one winner advancing to the American Association of Community Theater's [ACCTFest 2015](#) to be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in June.

Session I - 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Community Theater League

Chevy Chase Players

Session II - 1:30 - 6:30 pm

Port Tobacco Players

M&M Productions

Reedy Point Players

Rochester's Black Sheep Theater

Session III - 8:00 - 11:00 pm

Hamilton Gibson

The Colonial Players

The Barnstormers

For more information about this event, go to <http://www.estafestival.org>. To order tickets, go to <http://www.mctfa.ticketleap.com>.

## April Newsletter



CCAA **members** receive the monthly newsletter, **The Arts Insider**, on the first of each month.

The *Newsflash* is published every Thursday. If you would like your event included, contact the CCAA office by email at [info@charlescountyarts.org](mailto:info@charlescountyarts.org) or phone 301-392-5900, no later than the Monday before your event.

The CCAA is an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization. All membership dues and donations are 100 percent tax deductible.

## CCAA Board of Directors

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## College of Southern Maryland

### Barbershop Concert

Monday, April 20, 7:30 pm

Prince Frederick Campus

Multipurpose Room, Building B

115 J.W. Williams Road, Prince Frederick

Tickets: \$5 in Advance, \$7 Day of Concert



Southern Mix, conducted by Paul Douglass, provides an evening of harmony and fun.

Visit

<http://csmd.edu/Arts/somix/index.html> or to reserve tickets, contact the Box Office at [bxoffc@csmd.edu](mailto:bxoffc@csmd.edu), or call 301-934-7828.

## Life Journeys Writers Club Dinner Theater

### The Prison Plumb Line, the Play

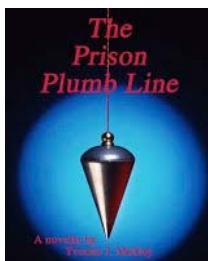
Tuesday, April 21

Doors open at 7:00 pm; Dinner served at 7:30 pm

Showtime: 8:00 pm

The Mexico Restaurant, 10598 Crain Highway, White Plains

Cost: \$25



Five women in prison, five chances for change. *The Prison Plumb Line*, the novella, is based on Yvonne Medley's twenty years of volunteerism (Bible studies and Writing Workshops) in Correctional Facilities for men, women and youth. For more information call 407-970-1550 or 301-705-8972, email [emeddle@aol.com](mailto:emeddle@aol.com), or go to [www.prisonplumbline.com](http://www.prisonplumbline.com).

## Southern Maryland Christian Academy

### Airline

Thursday - Saturday, April 23 - 25, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Doors Open at 6:30 pm

9805 Faith Baptist Church Road, White Plains, MD

Advance Tickets: \$7 Adults, \$5 Students

At the Door: \$9 Adults, \$7 Students



The cheapest airline in world history is Go Bananas Airline, so wretched that even the Bermuda Triangle rejects its planes. Come out and watch this comedic farce as some crazy characters take flight. Will they make it through the storm or will they just Go Bananas? Refreshments will

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be sold. For more information, contact Mrs. Adrienne Glista at 301-870-2550.

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## College of Southern Maryland

### Renaissance Festival

Thursday - Sunday, April 23 - 26

La Plata Campus, Fine Arts Center and Lawn

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata



CSM's festivities commence on Thursday, April 23, at 7:30 pm, with an evening of madrigals and other vocal music in the Fine Arts Center Theatre. Join us again in the Fine Arts Center Theatre on Friday, April 24, at 7:00 pm, for William

Shakespeare's classic, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Two full-days of revelry will take place on the Fine Arts Center lawn on Saturday, April 25, from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, and Sunday, April 26, from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm, with musical performances, arts, crafts, weaponry demonstrations, face-painting, games and food vendors. Activities are either free or priced by the vendor.

For more details, admission fees, and the schedule of events, go to <http://www.csmd.edu/Arts>.

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## Quality Printers

### Open Mic Night

Friday, April 24, 6:30 - 9:00 pm

10485 Theodore Green Boulevard, White Plains



Come out and showcase your musical talent, or just come to enjoy music from your local musicians. Whether they are originals or covers, we are looking for all styles of music. All we ask is that you keep the music suitable for family listening. Snacks and coffee will be provided. For more information, call 240-349-2953.

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## Town of La Plata

### Celebrate La Plata!

Saturday, April 25, 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm

Town Hall, 305 Queen Anne Street, La Plata

Free family fun! Face painting, art activities, magic show, Moon Bounce, pedal cars, refreshments for sale from local favorites and





bed races! Stop by the CCAA tent and say Hi! For the complete schedule of events, go to <http://www.townoflaplata.org>.

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## College of Southern Maryland

### Chorale Concert

Tuesday, April 28, 7:30 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$5 in Advance, \$7 Day of Concert



CSM's Chorale, under the direction of Krystal McCoy, is a mixed choir of women's and men's voices that performs a variety of styles, including traditional and modern choral music, gospel music, contemporary popular music, and historical styles such as

the madrigal. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or go to <http://www.csmd.edu/Arts/Choir/index.html>.

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## College of Southern Maryland

### Latin Ensemble Concert

Leonardtown Campus

Wednesday, April 29, 7:30 pm

Building A, Auditorium, 22950 Hollywood Road

Ticket s: \$5 in Advance; \$7 Day of Concert



Join Ritmo Cac h? for an evening of Latin music. Contact the Box Office at [bxoffc@csmd.edu](mailto:bxoffc@csmd.edu), 301-934-7828, or <http://www.csmd.edu/Arts> for more information.

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## La Plata High School

### The Wizard of Oz

Thursday - Saturday, April 30 - May 2, 6:30 pm

Sunday, May 3, 2:30 pm

6035 Radio Station Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$10 Adults; \$5 Students; CCPS staff also receive a free ticket with their identification badge



The play follows Dorothy, a young girl from Kansas, who finds herself in a strange place, the Land of Oz, after a tornado comes through her town. During the performances, the La Plata student actors will be joined by students from Mary H. Matula, T.C. Martin

and Walter J. Mitchell Elementary Schools. Call 301-934-1100 for more information.

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## Henry E. Lackey High School

### Cabaret Night

Thursday, May 7

Doors open 6:00 pm; Dinner & Entertainment 6:30 pm

3000 Chicamuxen Road, Indian Head, MD

Tickets: \$12 Adult, \$8 Student, \$5 with CCPS Badge, Free for Children 4 and Under

**Henry E. Lackey High School**  
**Presents**  
**Cabaret Night**  
**THURSDAY, MAY 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**Doors open at 6:00pm / Entertainment at 6:30pm**  
**students \$8 / adults \$12 / 4 & under, free**  
Fundraiser sponsored by Lackey's Performing Arts Boosters Club.

The night features a family style spaghetti dinner with salad and desserts as well as students from chorus, band, orchestra and drama providing entertainment for the evening. Select pieces of art will also be on display by the talented students in Lackey's Fine Arts Department. For more information visit <http://lackeyarts.org>.

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## Flute Magic! 2015 Flute Camp!

Monday - Friday, July 6 - 10, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Ages 8-18, Maximum 20 students

First Baptist Church of Waldorf

10045 Bunker Hill Road, Waldorf

Now in its 7th year!  
Flutists, aged 8 - 18,  
share a week of flute fun



and challenge in Southern Maryland. Classes include group and private flute lessons, ensemble classes, optional piano class, and arts and crafts. Instructors present recitals, and the students

will present the Grand Finale Concert on Friday, July 10, at 2:30 pm. Staffed by all professional flutists and educators.

Click [here](#) to download a registration form. Visit <http://lsnell.mtacc.org> for more information or call Lucy Snell, director, at 301-751-5029.

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## VISUAL ARTS [{top}](#)

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Art Smart Studio

SmArt EArth Arts Celebration

Recycle Art Contest at Celebrate La Plata

Saturday, April 25

Register Now!



Instead of throwing things away into the landfill, let's recycle them to create beauty! This art contest will be a chance for people of all ages to show their love for the arts and our Earth all at once, during Celebrate La Plata event on Saturday, April 25. The instructions are to create 2D or 3D art using at least 60% of materials that would ordinarily get thrown away, into a beautiful piece of art, functional or not.

- Category 1) 5-11 years
- Category 2) 12-17 years
- Category 3) 18 years and up

The art will be judged using these criteria:

- Materials; 60% or more are recyclable locally, (besides; glue, tape & string).
- Entry is handmade by participant.
- All materials are clean, safe and neat.
- Entry shows creativity.
- Entry is aesthetically pleasing to look at.

Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and crowd's favorite.

Winners will be announced during the Celebrate La Plata event at 2:40 pm. To register contact Art Smart Studio

at [art.smart.studio1@gmail.com](mailto:art.smart.studio1@gmail.com).

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## Arts Alliance "Call for Artists" for the Summer Art Show at Waldorf West Library

Deadline to Submit is **April 30!**



Theme is "Artists Choice"

The Charles County Arts Alliance is now accepting submissions for the Summer Art Show, a multi-media public exhibit, to be held at the Waldorf West Library, 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD, from June 29 to September 25, 2015. The Library consists of four separate gallery spaces on two floors.

Local artists are invited to submit a maximum of two works of art on any subject, to the Charles County Arts Alliance for consideration (there is no submission fee). Artwork entries must be submitted electronically as digital images (jpegs) attached to an email sent to [waldorfwestgallery@gmail.com](mailto:waldorfwestgallery@gmail.com).

The email must include:

- Artist's name
- Artist's mailing address
- Artist's email address
- Artist's phone number
- Artist's biography (half-page max, in MS-Word)
- Artist's headshot (jpeg)
- Title of artwork
- Medium/materials used
- Size/dimensions
- Year created
- Price, if applicable

Artists who have previously shown in the gallery are invited to submit new work for consideration. Selections will be made by the Gallery Committee and the artists will be notified at a later date in June.

On Saturday, July 11, a "Meet the Artists" Public Reception will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, at the Waldorf West Library's Main Gallery, to honor all the artists participating in the summer show.

For more information, contact the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900, or [info@charlescountyarts.org](mailto:info@charlescountyarts.org).

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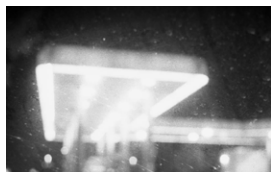
## College of Southern Maryland Tony Hungerford Memorial Gallery Annual Juried Student Exhibition

Now through May 4

La Plata Fine Arts Center, 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 9:00 pm;

Saturday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm



"Gas Station" by Katharina  
Fleming, 2014 Faculty  
Purchase Prize

Paintings in broad brush strokes, photos in captivating focus, and sculptures molded with playfulness are among the types of artwork showcased each spring as part of the College of Southern Maryland's Annual Juried Student Exhibition presented in the Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery. Artist Laurel Kukazewski will be the Juror for

this year's exhibit. For more information, call the box office at 301-934-7828 or go to <http://csmd.edu/Arts>

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## Mattawoman Creek Art Center

5565 Upham Place, Marbury, MD 20658

The Gallery is open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays,

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

For more information about events, workshops and discounts for early registration, call 301-743-5159 or go to

[www.mattawomanart.org](http://www.mattawomanart.org).

## Spring Art Show

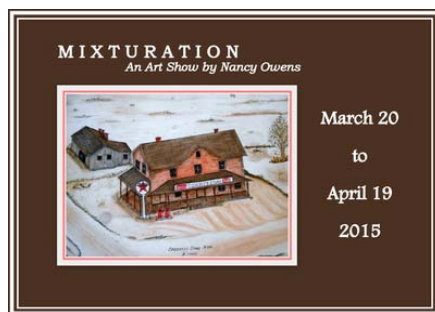
### Mixturation

Featuring Art by Nancy Owens

Now through April 19

Gallery Hours: Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays,

11:00 am - 4:00 pm



## Romanticism Revisited

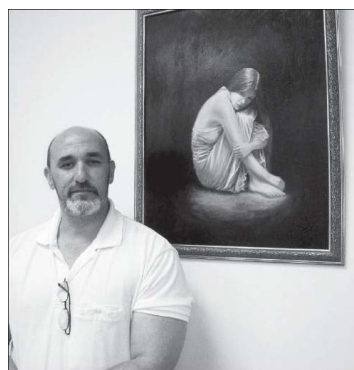
Invitational Show by Robert Wayt Smith

April 24 - May 24

Gallery Hours: Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays,

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Reception: Sunday, April 26, 1:00 - 4:00 pm



## Sunday Movie and Dessert!

Free Movie and a Treat!

May 3, 2:00 pm

Power of Art: Rembrandt



Renowned art historian Simon Schama explores the power and passion of art, focusing on Rembrandt. Born to a family of millers in Leiden, Dutch Republic (now the Netherlands), in 1606, Rembrandt Harmenszoon van Rijn left university at 14 to pursue a career as an artist. Despite being known as a portrait painter, Rembrandt used his talent to push the boundaries of painting. This direction made him unpopular in the

later years of his career as he shifted from being the talk of the town to becoming adrift in the Amsterdam art scene and criticized by his peers.

## MCAC Friday Open Studio

Now through May 22, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Free!



Come create: paint, draw, take photos, sculpt, knit, quilt, etc. Bring your own materials and your lunch. Bring your friends (both members and nonmembers). Share ideas and techniques. Critique each other's work. Enjoy the creative process!

## Mattawoman Creek Art Center Workshops

### China Painting for Beginner and Intermediate Students

Tuesdays, April 21 - May 26, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm (6 Sessions)

Fee: \$180 MCAC Members / \$210 Nonmembers

(\$30 off registration if received by April 6)

Fee for Materials and Supplies: \$95, Paid to the Instructor  
Instructor: Brenda Bush



The beginning student will learn the process and techniques of painting on fine china (porcelain). Students will learn about mixing the paints and gain an understanding of painting materials, layout techniques, supplies and their uses. The

intermediate student will have a refresher class and then a specialized class on the application of liquid gold (both bright & roman gold) to unpainted pieces of china. This 6-week course will allow the student to complete one to three pieces of china. Firing of the china is included in the price. Plans are in the works for a field trip to the Maryland China Company.

## Watercolor on Yupo

Wednesday, April 22, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Fee: \$40 Members / \$50 Nonmembers

Instructor: Jung Lea Smith ([www.jungsmith.com](http://www.jungsmith.com))



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La Plata Public Library Book Bazaar

Now through Saturday, April 18

**Used Book Bazaar**  
**APRIL 11 - 18**

**LA PLATA LIBRARY (LOWER LEVEL)**  
301-934-9001

**Special Members Only Sale**  
Friday, **APRIL 10**, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Membership available at the store.

Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Fridays and Saturdays: 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Hundreds of books, audiobooks and movies at bargain prices!

Become a Member on the spot, and get 5 free books! For more information call 301-934-9001 or visit [www.ccplonline.org](http://www.ccplonline.org).

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### Life Journeys Writers Club

#### Big Quarterly Gathering!

Saturday, April 18, 2:00 - 4:30 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

Free Admission !



A celebration is planned!!! Glean from our guest speaker -- an attorney, specializing in Arts/Entertainment. Enjoy great giveaways, food, networking and more. Click [here](#) to register. For more information, call 301-705-8972, email [emeddle@aol.com](mailto:emeddle@aol.com) , or go to [www.lifejourneyswritersclub.com](http://www.lifejourneyswritersclub.com) .

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### College of Southern Maryland

#### Connections Literary Readings

Retired Lieutenant Colonel Ron Capps

and Author/Poet Fred Foote

Friday, April 24, 7:30 pm

La Plata Campus, LR Building (Library), Room 102, 8730

Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$3 in advance; \$5 at the event; or \$3 with CSM Student ID; Free for Veterans and Active Duty Service Members (with Military ID)





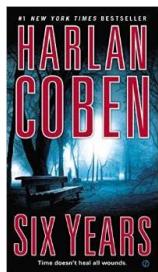
Award-winning writers and veterans Retired Lieutenant Colonel Ron Capps (left) and Dr. Fred Foote will read from their works and discuss their time in the U.S. military and how it has influenced their literary writing. For more information, call 301-934-7864, [Connections@csmd.edu](mailto:Connections@csmd.edu), or go to [www.csmd.edu/connections](http://www.csmd.edu/connections).



## Adult Discussion Book Groups

### Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month from 11:00 am - 12:00 noon, at the Senior Center, 100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head. Call 301-375-7375 for more information or to place a copy of a book on hold.



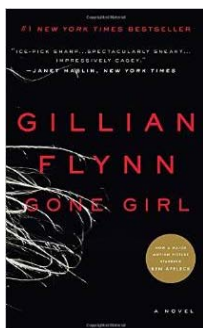
April 22: **Six Years** by Harlan Corben.

Six years have passed since Jake Fisher watched Natalie, the love of his life, marry another man. Six years of keeping his promise to leave Natalie alone, and six years of tortured dreams of her life with her new husband, Todd. So when Jake comes across Todd's obituary, he can't keep himself away from the funeral. There he gets the glimpse of Todd's wife he's hoping for...but she is not Natalie. Soon Jake's

search for the woman who broke his heart puts his very life at risk, as he uncovers the secrets and lies that love can hide.

### La Plata Library Book Discussion Group

Note Date Change for April! Meets at 7:00 pm on the second Thursday of every month at the La Plata Library, 2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata. Call 301-934-9001, for more information.



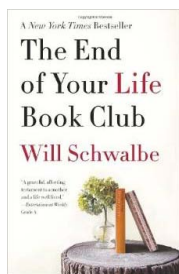
April 23: **Gone Girl** by Gillian Flynn. On a warm summer morning in North Carthage, Missouri, it is Nick and Amy Dunne's fifth wedding anniversary. Presents are being wrapped and reservations are being made when Nick's clever and beautiful wife disappears from their rented McMansion on the Mississippi River. Is her husband a killer? Where is the wife? With her razor-sharp writing and trademark psychological insight, Gillian Flynn delivers a fast-paced, devilishly

dark, and ingeniously plotted thriller.

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## Waldorf Adult Book Discussion Group

Note: Date Change for April! Meets on the first Saturday of every month from 9:30 - 10:30 am, at the P.D. Brown Memorial Library, 50 Village Street, Waldorf. To join, call 301-645-2864, and reserve a book with your library card.



May 2: ***The End of Your Life Book*** by Will Schwalbe. During her treatment for cancer, Mary Anne Schwalbe and her son Will spent many hours sitting in waiting rooms together.

To pass the time, they would talk about the books they were reading. Once, by chance, they read the same book at the same time-and an informal book club of two was born. A profoundly moving memoir of caregiving,

mourning, and love-The End of Your Life Book Club is also about the joy of reading, and the ways that joy is multiplied when we share it with others.

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## Waldorf Senior Center Afternoon Book Club

Meets on the first Wednesday of every month from 1:00 - 2:00 pm, at the Waldorf Senior Center, 3092 Crain Highway, Waldorf. For more information, call 301-638-4420.



May 6: ***Every Last One*** by Anna Quindlen.

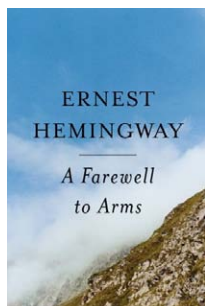
Anna Quindlen creates an unforgettable portrait of a mother, a father, a family, and the explosive, violent consequences of what seem like inconsequential actions. Mary Beth Latham is first and foremost a mother. Caring for her family and preserving their everyday life is paramount. And so, when one of her sons, Max, becomes depressed, Mary Beth becomes

focused on him, and is blindsided by a shocking act of violence. What happens afterward is a testament to the power of a woman's love and determination, and to the invisible line of hope and healing that connects one human being with another. *Every Last One* is a novel about facing every last one of the things we fear most, about finding ways to navigate a road we never intended to travel, to live a life we never dreamed we'd have to live but must be brave enough to try.

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## Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Meets at 1:00 pm, on the first Thursday of each month at the Clark Senior Center, 1210 Charles Street, La Plata. For more information, call 301-934-9001.



May 7: ***A Farewell to Arms*** by Ernest Hemingway. Written when Ernest Hemingway was thirty years old and lauded as the best American novel to emerge from World War I, *A Farewell to Arms* is the unforgettable story of an American ambulance driver on the Italian front and his passion for a beautiful English nurse. Set against the looming horrors of the battlefield-weary, demoralized men marching in the rain during the German attack on Caporetto, and the profound struggle between loyalty and desertion, this gripping, semi-

autobiographical work captures the harsh realities of war and the pain of lovers caught in its inexorable sweep.

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## Chicks for Lit Book Club

Meets on Saturdays from 10:30 - 12:00 noon, at the Potomac Branch Library, 3225 Ruth B. Swann Drive, Indian Head, MD. Pre-registration is required; click [here](#) to register for this discussion. For more information, call 301-375-7375.

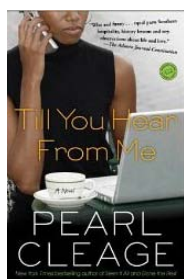


May 9: ***The Luminaries*** by Eleanor Catton. It is 1866, and Walter Moody has come to stake his claim in New Zealand's booming gold rush. On the stormy night of his arrival, he stumbles across a tense gathering of 12 local men who have met in secret to discuss a series of unexplained events. Moody is soon drawn into a network of fates and fortunes that is as complex and exquisitely ornate as the night sky. Richly evoking a mid-nineteenth-century world of shipping, banking, and gold rush boom and bust, *The Luminaries* is at once a fiendishly clever ghost story, a gripping page-turner, and a thrilling novelistic achievement.

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## Writers of Color Book Club

Note location change! A book club for all who enjoy reading books by authors of African descent who write contemporary fiction. The Club meets bi-monthly at alternating locations. The May meeting will be held at the Waldorf West Library, 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. For more information, call 301-645-1395.



May 21: ***Till You Hear from Me*** by Pearl Cleage. Just when it appears that all her hard work on Barack Obama's presidential campaign is about to pay off with a White House job, thirty-five-year-old Ida B. Wells Dunbar finds herself dealing with her outspoken father, the Reverend Horace A. Dunbar, Atlanta civil rights icon; and childhood friend and smooth political operator Wes Harper, also in town to pay a visit to the Reverend Dunbar, his mentor.

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## Charles County Library Schedule For March and April



Get a copy of the [March/April](#) brochure to see all the programs available at your local libraries. There are computer classes, book discussions, craft programs, preschool story times, games, writing classes, and lots of other activities for every interest and age! For more information, call 301-934-9001 or go to <http://www.ccpnline.org>.



offers book discussion groups at all of their branches [and online too!](#) Click the [link](#) to sign up.

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### Nanjemoy Community Center



The Nanjemoy Community Center offers a wide variety of programs and services designed to

fulfill the needs of the Nanjemoy community for all ages from tots to senior adults. For details of all events, get a copy of their [April](#) newsletter. For more activities and events, get a copy of the [April](#) edition of ***The Scoop***, Charles County's Senior Center News.

The Center is located at 4375 Port Tobacco Road, Nanjemoy, MD 20662. For more information, call 301-246-9612, 301-934-5423, 301-753-1647, or click [here](#) to go to their website. The Center is open Monday and Wednesday - 8:30 am - 8:00 pm; Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

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About the Charles County Arts Alliance, Inc.

The mission of the Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) is to stimulate, promote, encourage, and provide recognition of the arts and the creative spirit. Founded in 1987, the CCAA promotes ALL the arts in Charles County: music, visual art, drama, dance and literature.

The CCAA is the official arts council of Charles County and is recognized as such by the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC), an agency of the Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) of the State of Maryland. In this capacity, the CCAA serves as the "umbrella" organization for the arts community in Charles County. The CCAA promotes Charles County arts organizations and individuals, provides financial support to nonprofit organizations and the schools through its annual arts grant programs, sponsors the creation and presentation of new, diverse cultural activities and special events for the community, provides arts scholarships, and ensures the Charles County's underserved population, people with disabilities, residents with limited income, minorities, and senior citizens have access to the arts. The CCAA builds partnerships with local government, the business community and the educational community, in an effort to enhance the overall quality of life for the citizens of Charles County.