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Arts Alliance Opens Two New Solo Artist Shows

Exhibits Run Through July 2015

Jan Garland Charles County Commissioners Gallery



Nick and Bob Kutchi Charles Regional Medical Center Gallery



Jan Garland creates 2-D displays of characters, scenes, thoughts and emotions with glue, and torn bits of tissue paper or cut plastic bags with an emphasis on recycled materials. She uses recycled tissue paper from gift boxes and bags, and with a little glue and water, they become images. Plastic bags from products and stores are used in the same way and help save the landfill from the potential toxic breakdown that is harmful to the environment.

Nick Kutchi is a photographer and full time Architectural Engineer who learned how to take photographs from his dad Bob and two older brothers. He was given a camera at the age of 4 and has been taking photographs ever since.

Being a full time Certified Lighting Design Engineer, Nick's job and passion is using architectural light to "paint" on the architectural canvas of buildings and structures. Photography is also about the light and how it is used or applied. Jan has been chosen for multiple juried shows, including the Maryland Park and Planning "Memories From All Directions," the Bowie City Hall "Belair at Bowie," as well as the Charles County Arts Alliance, National Park Service and the Thomas Stone National Historical Site "Habre de Venture: Dwelling Place of the Arts."

Most recently, Jan's art has been chosen for display at the House of Delegates Office Building in Annapolis, the Department of Environmental Resources, and the Montpelier Arts Center.

The Commissioners Gallery is located at 200 Baltimore Street, La Plata, MD. Gallery hours are weekdays, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Jan's art is available for purchase. She can be reached at jangarlandart@yahoo.com.



Aquatic Canter by Jan Garland

Bob is a retired teacher with a passion for travel and photography. He was able to pass on the enjoyment of travel and photography to his three sons by taking them on many cross country trips. Bob always ensured that he taught his sons everything he knew about photography and made sure that they always had a camera of their own to allow them to grow the photographic eye.

In 2009, Nick and Bob decided to share their vision of the world around them by creating KutchiStudios. They have participated in juried art shows throughout Maryland and Pennsylvania. They are members of the Charles County Art Alliance and The Unique Boutique Art Guild. Visit KutchiStudios.com for more information.

The Charles Regional Medical Center Gallery is located at 5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD. Gallery hours are 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, daily.

Nick's and Bob's art is available for purchase. They can be reached at nick@kutchistudios.com.



A Summer Evening in Rockport by Nick Kutchi

The mission of the Charles County Arts Alliance is to stimulate, promote, encourage and provide recognition of the arts and the creative spirit in Charles County. For more info on the Arts Alliance and becoming a member, contact the Alliance at 301-392-5900, info@charlescountyarts.org, or www.charlescountyarts.org.

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