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June 4, 2015



## ArtsFest 2015 is Coming!

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

Free Admission!

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.

In addition to the 60 artists, exhibitors and food vendors, there's

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music, dancing and children's activities that will make this a fun-filled day for the whole family Click [HERE](#) to see the insert from the June 3 *Maryland Independent!*

See you on Saturday, June 13, at ArtsFest 2015!

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

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

### Tantallon Community Players

#### Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

June 5, 6, 7

Friday - Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:00 pm

Harmony Hall Regional Center

10701 Livingston Road, Ft. Washington

Tickets: \$15 Adults; \$12 Students, Seniors (60+); \$10 Groups of 10 or more

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Follow this classic tale of betrayal and forgiveness through the lands of ancient Egypt! The Biblical story of Joseph and his brothers is brought to life through vibrant song and dance in this delightful family musical. For more information and to order tickets, go to [www.tantallonplayers.org](http://www.tantallonplayers.org).

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*Golden Renaissance*  
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*The Royal Tea Room*

### Port Tobacco Players

#### Much Ado About Nothing

June 5, 6, 7

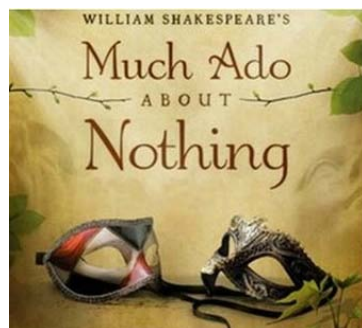
Friday - Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Tickets: \$17 Adults; \$14 Seniors (60+), Youth, Military

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As the title suggests, there's a lot of fuss over nothing in this Shakespeare comedy! Claudio and Hero fall in love and plan to get married, but the villainous Don John slanders Hero with false evidence. The wedding is ruined and Hero faints. Her family soon suspect slander and decide to pretend that Hero died from

shock. Eventually, Hero is revealed to be alive, the marriage goes ahead as planned, the villain is caught, the audience is kept in stitches and all is well! A portion of the ticket sales will be donated to the Charles County Literacy Council. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819, or go to [www.ptplayers.com](http://www.ptplayers.com).

## CCAA Member Organizations & Businesses

### Free Evening Concerts Two Locations!



Thursdays, 7:00 pm  
O'Donnell Lake  
10400 O'Donnell  
Place  
Waldorf

Fridays, 7:00 pm  
La Plata Town Hall  
305 Queen Anne  
Street  
La Plata

June 4 - Eric Scott

June 5 - Franklin Square  
Band

June 11 - U.S. Naval  
Academy Electric Brigade

June 12 - Four of a Kind

June 18 - John Lewis

June 19 - The Sea Chanters

June 25 - Lynn Hollyfield

June 26 - Drivin' Muzzy

July 9 - Anthony Swampdog  
Clark

July 3 - Paul Thomas and  
MWB

July 16 - Jennifer Cooper

July 10 - Sara Gray Band

July 23 - Sin Miedo

July 17 - U.S. Naval  
Academy Band Electric  
Brigade

July 30 - Marguerite

August 6 - Donegal X-press

July 24 - Roadhouse

August 13 - U.S. Navy  
Commodores

July 31 - The Lucky Few

August 20 - U.S. Air Force  
Max Impact

August 7 - 257th Army  
Band

August 27 - Tomorrow's  
Time

August 14 - U.S. Air Force  
Band Max Impact

August 21 - Eric Scott Band

For more information, go  
to <http://www.stcharlesmd>.

August 28 - Southern  
Maryland Concert Band

For both locations, bring lawn  
chairs or blankets.

September 4 - Dance Party

[Archbishop Neale School](#)

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For the La Plata Town Hall Concerts, coolers are allowed, but no alcohol. Concessions are available from the Town's food trailer located near the back of the parking lot; an ice cream truck is also stationed there for your enjoyment. A play area for children, the Kids' Zone, allows parents to enjoy the concert while keeping an eye on the little ones.

with Elite Beatz Entertainment & Chesapeake Country Cruizers

September 11 - Dr. Phill's Big Band

September 18 - U.S. Navy Band The Cruizers

September 25 - John Luskey Band

For more information, go to [www.townoflaplata.org](http://www.townoflaplata.org).

Southern Maryland Jazz Orchestra

Swan Point Yacht and Country Club

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The Royal Tea Room

Town of Indian Head

Town of La Plata

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## Newtowne Players

### Watermelon One-Act Festival

Three Notch Theatre

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park, MD

Saturday - Sunday, June 6 - 7

Tickets: \$12 per Session (\$10 Students, Seniors)

\$20 for Finals (Includes Food/Beverages; \$15 Students, Seniors)

\$55 Festival Pass for Both Days (\$50 Students, Seniors)

Tickets can be purchased at the door.



Watermelon Inc. Presents  
**Watermelon One-Act Festival**  
Produced by Lee Orsini  
Hosted by The Newtowne Players at Three Notch Theatre  
Lexington Park, MD  
**Join us for a festival of original plays!**  
**June 6 - 7**  
Saturday Adjudication Sessions at 10 AM, 1 PM, 4 PM, & 7 PM  
Sunday Finals and Awards Ceremony at 2 PM  
Featuring Plays Written By:  
Kim Moore Bessler • Tami Crane • Rob Gorman • Jeremy Keith Hunter  
Beth Stafford • Vincent L. Scarsella • Daria Szymborska • Rick Thompson  
Jack Weber • Keith Williams/Kenneth Plante  
Ticket holders determine the **Wild Card Finalist** & Audience Pick Award!  
Tickets sold at door (cash or check only):  
\$12 per adjudication session / \$10 (students/seniors)  
\$20 for both adjudication sessions / \$15 (students/seniors)  
\$55 festival pass (includes both days / \$50 students/seniors)  
Go to [www.threenotchtheatre.org](http://www.threenotchtheatre.org) for more information!

Come join us at the Three Notch Theatre for an entertaining weekend of original one-act performances during the third annual Watermelon One-Act Festival! Adjudication sessions start at 10:00 am, on Saturday, June 6, and the finals and awards ceremony start at 2:00 pm, Sunday June 7 (includes food and beverages). Over \$1,000 in prizes will be awarded this year. Ticket holders get to vote for the Wild Card Finalist and the Audience Pick Award. **WARNING:** Several plays contain adult content and are not suitable for children.

### Saturday's Sessions:

10:00 am

*Begin the Beguine*  
*The Helpless Director Zone*

1:00 pm

*Calling Steve*  
*The Death of a Noble Steed*

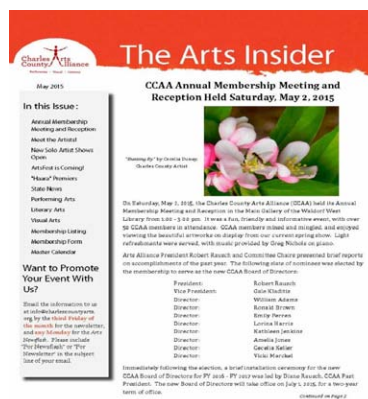
4:00 pm

*The Great Spandrels*  
*20 Questions*  
*Who's Afraid of a Hot Tin Roof*

7:00 pm

*Laughter*  
*The Penitent*

## May 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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- Roy Jenkins, PhD

*Wolf*

The Sunday finals will be determined after the Saturday performances and adjudications. For more information, go to [www.watermeloninc.org](http://www.watermeloninc.org).

Schubert Singers

Spring Concerts

Saturday, June 6, 4:00 pm  
Whitehall Baptist Church  
1205 Farmington Road East, Accokeek

Sunday, June 7, 4:00 pm  
St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
4535 Piney Church Road, Waldorf  
Free Admission, Donations Appreciated



The program includes Renaissance rounds, spirituals, repertoire pieces as well as pieces celebrating the season of spring, animals and lullabies For more information, contact

Stephen Hunt, 240-838-9459, email [schubertsingers@gmail.com](mailto:schubertsingers@gmail.com) or visit [www.schubertsingers.org](http://www.schubertsingers.org).

Ballet Arts Academy

Firebird

Saturday, June 6, 7:00 pm  
Dr. Henry A. Wise, Jr. High School  
12650 Brooke Lane, Upper Marlboro, MD  
Tickets: \$25 Adult, \$15 Youth Under 18



The spring performance features the return of *Firebird*. For more information, contact the Academy at 301-932-4002, or go to [www.balletartsacademy.org](http://www.balletartsacademy.org).

Hard Bargain Players

Down the Road

Fridays and Saturdays, June 12 - 27, 8:00 pm  
2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek  
Tickets: \$10 Adults; \$8 Students, Seniors and Members of the Alice Ferguson Foundation

Bill Reach, a convicted

Amelia Jones  
Cecelia Keller  
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Mark Walker

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serial killer, hires Dan and Iris Henniman, a husband and wife writing team, to help him write an account of his crimes. Over many weeks of interviews, the couple grow more and

more uncertain of the ethics of what they are doing. Are they simply relating terrifying events, or are they helping readers consume heinous crimes as they would any other product of our society? Are they, in fact, helping to turn Bill Reach into a celebrity? To order tickets, send an email to [hbplayersboxoffice@gmail.com](mailto:hbplayersboxoffice@gmail.com). For more information, go to [www.hbplayers.org/index.php](http://www.hbplayers.org/index.php).

## Chesapeake Choral Arts Society

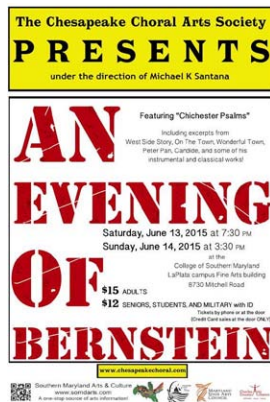
### **An Evening of Bernstein**

Saturday, June 13, 7:30 pm

Sunday, June 14, 3:30 pm

College of Southern Maryland, La Plata Fine Arts Center  
8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$15 Adults; \$12 Seniors, Military and Youth



CCAS performs "Chichester Psalms" as well as excerpts from "West Side Story," "On the Town," "Wonderful Town," "Peter Pan," "Candide," and several of Bernstein's instrumental and classical works. Tickets can be purchased at the door, or reserved by calling Carol Charnock at 301-642-0594. For more information, go to <http://www.chesapeakechoral.com>.

## Life Journeys Writers Club

### Prison Plumb Line: A Lyrical Drama

Saturday, June 20

VIP Reception 6:00 pm

Showtime 7:00 pm

DC Black Theatre Festival

Undercroft Theatre

Mt. Vernon Place United Methodist Church

900 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

Tickets: \$35 for Reception and Play; \$15 Play Only

Five women in prison, five chances for change. *The Prison Plumb Line, The Novella* is based on Charles County author Yvonne Medley's twenty years of volunteerism (Bible studies and writing workshops) in correctional facilities for men, women



and youth. To purchase tickets, go to [www.prisonplumbline.com](http://www.prisonplumbline.com), email [prisonplumbline@gmail.com](mailto:prisonplumbline@gmail.com), or call 301-705-8972.

## Quality Printers

### Open Mic Night

Tuesday, June 30, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

10485 Theodore Green Boulevard, White Plains

Free Admission



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.

## Port Tobacco Players

### Auditions

#### The Westing Game

Tuesday, June 23; Thursday, June 25, 7:00 pm;

Saturday, June 27, 9:00 am

Rehearsal Hall, Port Tobacco Players Theater

508 Charles Street, La Plata



Synopsis: The unsuspecting residents of Sunset Towers are summoned to the reading of a mysterious will, only to find themselves locked in a thrilling game, as they must discover who is responsible for killing an eccentric millionaire. Through blizzards, bombings and unlikely alliances, the game is on, and the only people who hold all the clues are one Westing heir and you.

Roles open for 8 men and 7 women. Auditions will consist of a combination of cold readings from the script and a short improv exercise. There are lots of opportunities for experienced and less experienced actors - and

the casting is diverse since the potential heirs come from all different backgrounds. Scheduled performance dates are Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from September 25 to October 11, 2015.

For more information and details on the characters, visit <http://www.ptplayers.com/auditions.html> or contact the Producer at 240-346-6448.

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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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## Port Tobacco Players

Camp Mockabee Registration is Open!

Summer Theatre Kids and Teen Camps

Ages 6 through High School

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Click [here](#) to download a Registration Form



 **THE PORT TOBACCO PLAYERS ANNOUNCES**

# **CAMP MOCKABEE 2015**

## **Summer Theatre Camp**

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: JULY 7, 2015**

<b>KIDS CAMP</b> AGES 6 to 12 July 20 - 24, 2015  "Let Your Imagination Soar!"  Join us for a fantastical journey through theatre with daily workshops ranging from acting and choreography to hair and makeup and much more!  <u>Half-Day Sessions</u> AM Session: 9:00 am to 11:45 am PM Session: 1:00 pm to 3:45 pm  Cost: \$125 per Child Price includes T-shirt and PTP Membership Fees for the 2014/2015 Season	<b>TEEN CAMP</b> AGES 12 through HS Senior Session 1 - July 27 - 31, 2015 Session 2 - August 3 - 7, 2015  <i>One-Act Broadway Musical</i>  Join in on helping produce a one-act Broadway musical, the title of which will be revealed the first day of camp. Actors, singers, designers and technicians are all needed for this wonderful collaboration. No experience necessary!  8:00 am to 4:00 pm  Cost: \$225 per Teen Price includes T-shirt and PTP Membership Fees for the 2014/2015 Season
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**CAMP IS HELD AT THE PORT TOBACCO THEATER  
508 CHARLES STREET, LA PLATA, MD 20646**

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE THEATER  
AT 301-932-6819

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

### Mattawoman Creek Art Center

5565 Upham Place, Marbury, MD 20658

The Gallery is open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays,  
11:00 am - 4:00 pm

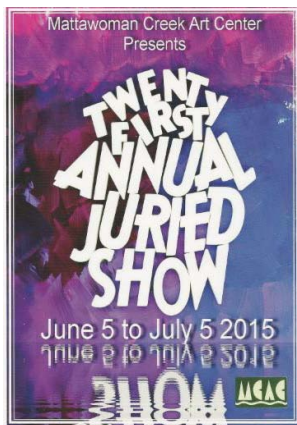
For more information about events, workshops and discounts for early registration, call 301-743-5159 or go to [www.mattawomanart.org](http://www.mattawomanart.org). Click [here](#) to download the summer programs brochure.

### MCAC Friday Open Studio

June 5 - August 28, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm



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!



21st Annual Juried Show  
June 5 - July 5  
Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays  
11:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Reception: Sunday, June 7

### Summer Tea

Sunday, June 28  
1:00 - 4:00 pm  
Free Admission!



Enjoy hot and iced teas, sandwiches, pastries and other treats, plus music by Kathy Keough on harp!

### MCAC Workshops

#### Palette Knife Color Study in Oil

Monday, June 15 (Rain Date June 22)  
10:00 am - 3:30 pm  
Fee: \$40 Members / \$50 Nonmembers



Learn how to see and paint color using a palette knife, infusing your paintings with light! The class starts with a materials and technique demonstration, followed by a color mixing exercise (returning students may do a morning painting, if they choose). In the afternoon, you will paint still life arrangements in the outdoor

light. Bring gear for oil painting outside and a palette knife with a diamond- or tear-shaped head. The instructor will have some extras to loan out, as well as other sizes and shapes for students to try out. Also bring a hat with a brim. Gessoed boards will be provided. A suggested materials list is available from MCAC or by request from the instructor, sarahihsanwardell@gmail.com. All levels.

### Watercolor Inks on Yupo

Date Changed to Tuesday, June 30  
10:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Fee: \$40 Members / \$50 Nonmembers

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



Yupo is a slick, nonabsorbent surface for painting. The water in the paint evaporates instead of soaking into the paper, which leaves interesting puddles, watermarks & very vibrant colors with transparent watercolors. Users of Yupo appreciate that one can wipe off the paint to get back to the original white which also allows for

more experimentation. Watercolor inks are extremely concentrated colors that achieve great brilliance. One can paint abstracts or add realistic focus areas. Bring your watercolor supplies. Yupo paper and watercolor inks will be provided. All levels.

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

Life Journeys Writers Club

Nuts and Bolts Gathering

Saturday, June 20, 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf



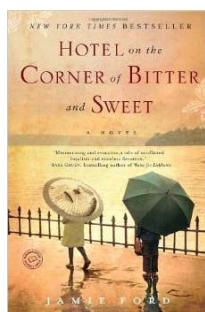
Come to network, glean publishing industry info, get inspired and more. Members will read their works, and all will critique and discuss. For more information, contact Yvonne Medley at 301-705-8972.



Adult Discussion Book Groups

Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion

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.



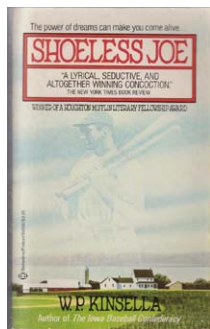
June 4: **Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet** by Jamie Ford. Henry Lee comes upon a crowd gathered outside the Panama Hotel, once the gateway to Seattle's Japantown. It has been boarded up for decades, but now the new owner discovered the belongings of Japanese families, left when they were rounded up and sent to internment camps during World War II. As Henry looks on, the owner opens a Japanese parasol. This simple act takes Henry Lee back forty years to the 1940s, at the height of the war, when he met Keiko Okabe, a young Japanese American student and they forged a bond of

friendship and innocent love. And after Keiko and her family were swept up in the evacuations to the internment camps, she and Henry were left only with the hope that the war will end, and that their promise to each other will be kept. Set during one of the most conflicted and volatile times in American history, *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* is an extraordinary story of commitment, enduring hope, the power of forgiveness and the human heart.

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### Waldorf Book Discussion Group

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.

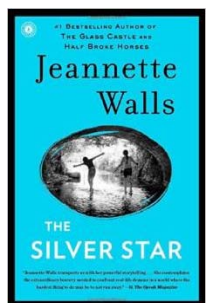


June 6: ***Shoeless Joe*** by W.P. Kinsella. "If you build it, he will come." These mysterious words, spoken by an Iowa baseball announcer, inspire Ray Kinsella to carve a baseball diamond in his cornfield in honor of his hero, the baseball legend Shoeless Joe Jackson. What follows is both a rich, nostalgic look at one of our most cherished national pastimes and a remarkable story about fathers and sons, love and family, and the inimitable joy of finding your way home.

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### La Plata Library Book Discussion Group

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.



June 11: ***The Silver Star*** by Jeannette Walls. It is 1970 in a small town in California. "Bean" Holladay is twelve and her sister, Liz, is fifteen when their artistic mother, Charlotte, takes off to find herself, leaving her girls enough money to last a month or two. When Bean returns from school one day and sees a police car outside the house, she and Liz decide to take the bus to Virginia, where their widowed Uncle

Tinsley lives in the decaying mansion that's been in Charlotte's family for generations. Money is tight, and the sisters start babysitting and doing office work for Jerry Maddox, foreman of the mill in town, who bullies his workers, his tenants, his children, and his wife. Then something happens to Liz that changes their lives. Jeannette Walls has written a deeply moving novel about triumph over adversity and about people who find a way to love each other and the world, despite its flaws and injustices.

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### New! Book to Film Discussion Series

Meets on Saturday for the summer, from 2:00 - 5:00 pm, at the Potomac Branch Library, 3225 Ruth B. Swann Drive, Indian Head. For more information, call 301-375-7375.

June 13: ***White Oleander*** by Janet Fitch. *White Oleander* tells the unforgettable story of Ingrid, a brilliant poet imprisoned for murder, and her daughter, Astrid, whose odyssey

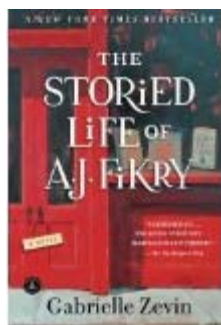


through a series of Los Angeles foster homes-- each its own universe, with its own laws, its own dangers, its own hard lessons to be learned-- becomes a redeeming and surprising journey of self-discovery.

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### 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.

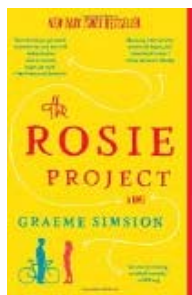


June 24: ***The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry*** by Gabrielle Zevin. A. J. Fikry's life is not at all what he expected it to be. He lives alone, his bookstore is experiencing the worst sales in its history, and now his prized possession, a rare collection of Poe poems, has been stolen. But when a mysterious package appears at the bookstore, its unexpected arrival gives Fikry the chance to make his life over--and see everything anew.

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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.



July 1: ***The Rosie Project*** by Graeme Simsion. The art of love is never a science: Meet Don Tillman, a brilliant yet socially inept professor of genetics, who's decided it's time he found a wife. In the orderly, evidence-based manner with which Don approaches all things, he designs the Wife Project to find his perfect partner. Meet Rosie Jarman. She's on her own quest to identify her biological father. When an unlikely relationship develops as they

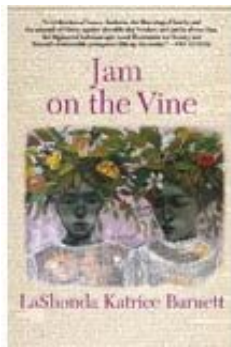
collaborate on The Father Project, Don is forced to confront the spontaneous whirlwind that is Rosie, and the realization that, despite your best scientific efforts, you don't find love, it finds you.

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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 July meeting will be held at the Potomac Branch Library, 3225 Ruth B. Swann Drive, Indian Head, from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Click [here](#) to register. For more information, call 301-645-1395.

July 21: ***Jam on the Vine: A Novel*** by LaShonda Katrice Barnett. Ivoe Williams, the precocious daughter of a Muslim cook and a metalsmith from Texas, first ignites her lifelong obsession with

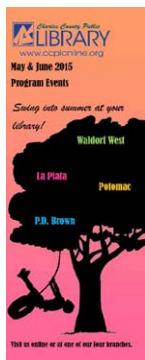


journalism when she steals a newspaper from her mother's white employer. After earning a scholarship to the prestigious Willetson College in Austin, and eventually settling in Kansas City, she founds the first female-run African American newspaper, *Jam! On the Vine*. In the

throes of the Red Summer, the 1919 outbreak of lynchings and race riots across the Midwest, Ivoe risks her freedom, and her life, to call attention to the atrocities of segregation in the American prison system. *Jam! On the Vine* is both an epic vision of the hardships and injustices that defined an era and a moving and compelling story of a complicated history we only thought we knew.

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## Charles County Library Schedule For May and June



Get a copy of the [May/June](#) 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.ccplonline.org>.



The Charles County Public Library 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 [June](#) newsletter. For more activities and events, get a copy of the [June](#) 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.

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