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Arts Newsflash

Charles County Arts Alliance
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October 1, 2015



Arts Alliance Opens New Fall Art Show at Waldorf West Library

Show Runs through January 9, 2016

You are Invited!

"Meet the Artists" Public Reception
Saturday, October 3, 2015
2:00 to 4:00 pm



The Charles County Arts Alliance presents a new fall art exhibit at the Waldorf West Library, showcasing 43 artists and 57 works of art. The artworks will be displayed in four separate gallery spaces which include the main conference room on the first floor, and two study rooms and wall space in the Fiction Section on the second floor. All the works of art can be viewed at <http://charlescountyarts.org/galleries/waldorf-west-library-gallery-2>.

On Saturday, October 3, the Arts Alliance will host a "Meet the Artists" Public Reception, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, to honor all the artists participating in this show. The public is invited to this event, and will have a chance to meet the artists while viewing their works on display throughout the Library. The Charles County Garden Club will create floral interpretations of selected artworks for this reception and light refreshments will be served. Donations will also be accepted for a gourmet gift basket with all proceeds going toward the Student Arts Scholarship Program.

The show's theme was open to the artists and includes works from: Beverly Adams, Theresa Alo, Cindi Barnhart, Patricia Valdes Biles, Shannon Bland, Taryn Packheiser Brown, Colbert Carter, Suzanne Cassidy, William Cassidy, Patricia Childes, Brenda Chin, Dorothy Crown, Brooke Douglas, Cecelia Dunay, Donald Faust, William Gibson, Sally

Marie Goldsmith, Roxana Gonzalas, Beverly Hardy, Lonnie Harkins, Patrise Henkel, Shanese Hirmas, Gordon R. Johnson, Charles Jones, Nichelle Alston Jones, William H. Jones, Nicholas Kutchi, Ursula Lawrence, Addison Likins, Robin Lower, Susannah Lynch, Vicki Marckel, Julie Meisel, Constance Moore, Maryam Muhammad, Brenna Prince, Dezurae Richardson, Annabel Lee Russell, Ernie Sinnes, Pat Troiani, Neil Wilmoth, Joseph Wimberly and Amy Julianne Young. Most of the artworks are available for purchase; the Library's information desk will have copies of the price list.

The Library is located at 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, Maryland. Hours are: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 am to 8:00 pm; Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm; and Saturday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

For more information, contact the CCAA office at 301-392-5900, or info@charlescountyarts.org.

Arts Alliance Grant Season is Open!



Deadline to Submit is October 9, 2015

Our annual grant season is now open with the posting of the applications at www.charlescountyarts.org/grants, and with hard-copies available through our CCAA Office in La Plata. Completed applications with all required copies must be in the possession of the CCAA Office (not postmarked) no later than 12:00 noon on October 9, 2015.

As in previous years, our CCAA Arts Grant Program offers two types of grants: Community Arts Development (CAD) grants for nonprofit organizations, and Arts in Education (AIE) grants for schools. The CAD grants have two sub-categories: General Operating grants for arts organizations, and Special Project grants for non-arts organizations that present activities in the performing, visual and literary arts. Schools may request up to \$750; nonprofit organizations may be eligible for up to \$6,000. All grants have matching requirements ranging from 1:1 to 3:1, depending on the dollar amount being requested. Grant applications are reviewed by a Grant Panel comprised of members of the CCAA Board of Directors and representatives from the community. The grants will be awarded at the CCAA Annual Grantee and Membership Gala on November 14, 2015.

For more information, contact the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900, or info@charlescountyarts.org.

Arts Alliance "Call for Solo Artists"

Eight Artists Needed for Four Quarterly Shows in 2016
Deadline to Submit is October 16, 2015



The Charles County Arts Alliance hosts art exhibits in the Charles County Government Building Commissioners' Gallery, and the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center Gallery, both in La Plata, MD. Submissions will be accepted for each location by October 16, 2015, for the four quarterly shows in 2016.

Local artists are invited to submit 15 artworks on any subject to the Charles County Arts Alliance for consideration (there is no submission fee). Artwork entries must be submitted electronically as low-resolution digital images (jpegs) attached to an email sent to waldorfwestgallery@gmail.com, and reference 2016 Solo Artist Show in the subject line of your email.

Entries must include:

- Artist's name
- Artist's 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. All artwork must be wired and ready to hang.

For more information, contact the CCAA office at 301-392-5900, info@charlescountyarts.org, or www.charlescountyarts.org.

PERFORMING ARTS {top}

Mattawoman Creek Art Center
 Murder Mystery Dinner Theater
 Wanted Dead or Alive
 Friday, October 2, 6:00 - 10:00 pm
 Greater Waldorf Jaycees Community Center
 3090 Crain Highway, Waldorf
 \$60 per Person



Saloon gals, sheriffs, gunslingers and gamblers are welcome! Rustle up your cowboy hat and boots and join them at the watering hole. Award for the best costume. Call 301-743-5159 to make reservations.

Port Tobacco Players
 The Westing Game
 Friday - Saturday, October 2, 3, 9 and 10, 8:00 pm
 Sunday, October 4 and 11, 3:00 pm
 508 Charles Street, La Plata
 Tickets: \$18 Adult, \$15 Seniors (60+),
 Youth to 18, and Military

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

(Mystery/Thriller) 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

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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! Can you solve The Westing Game? For more information and to order tickets, to go <http://www.ptplayers.com>, or call 301-932-6819.



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Tantallon Community Players

Company

Friday - Saturday, October 2, 3, 9 and 10, 8:00 pm

Sunday, October 4 and 11, 3:00 pm

Harmony Hall Regional Center

John Addison Concert Hall

10701 Livingston Road, Fort Washington

Tickets: \$20 Adult, \$15 Student/Senior

Buy Tickets Now!



Company follows the story of Robert (Bobby), a confirmed bachelor, who on the evening of his 35th birthday contemplates his unmarried state and through a series of dinners, drinks and even a wedding with all of his "married" friends discovers all the pros and cons of married life. The show features an energetic score and some of Sondheim's best known songs. Its strength lies in its vivid yet very real characters

to which all members of the audience will find reflections of themselves. For more information and to order tickets, go to www.tantallonplayers.org.

The Newtowne Players

The 39 Steps

Thursday - Friday - Saturday, October 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16 and 17, 8:00 pm

Sunday, October 4, 11 and 18, 3:30 pm

Three Notch Theatre

21744 South Coral Drive

Lexington Park

Tickets: \$15 Adult, \$12 Student, Military, Senior (65 and Up);

\$10 Child (12 and Under)

Buy Tickets Now!



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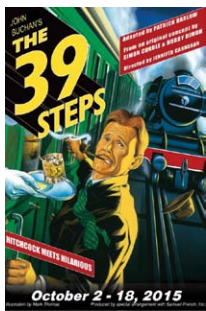


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In, *The 39 Steps*, a man with a boring life meets a woman with a thick accent who says she is a spy. When he takes her home she is murdered. Soon after a mysterious organization called "The 39 Steps" is hot on his trail and we follow the incredible adventure of our handsome hero, Richard Hannay, as he encounters dastardly murders, double-crossing secret agents, and, of course, devastatingly beautiful women, all ending in a death-defying finale!

This wonderfully inventive and gripping comedy thriller features four fearless actors, playing over 100 roles in 100 minutes of fast-paced fun and thrilling action. For more information, go to <http://www.newtowneplayers.org/joomla>.



College of Southern Maryland
Cause Theatre/Social Issues

The Bright Blue Mailbox Suicide Note

Friday, October 2, 8:00 pm

Leonardtown Campus Auditorium, 22950 Hollywood Road

Thursday, October 15, 7:30 pm

Friday, October 16, 8:00 pm

Saturday, October 17, 2:00 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center, Black Box Theatre, Room 143
8730 Mitchell Road

Tickets: \$5 For All Ages; Production May Not Be Suitable For Younger Audiences



Jake finds a suicide note in his mailbox. He doesn't know who it's from, or to whom it is addressed. His friends speculate, joke, and lose interest while Jake becomes obsessed. He goes on a crusade to find the author of the note. Instead, he stumbles upon a secret he never wanted to know. This play explores how a group of teenagers publicly and privately deal with the issue of suicide. It is honest, straightforward, and also humorous. For more information, call the

Box Office at 301-934-7828, or visit <http://www.csmd.edu/Arts/CauseTheatre.html>.

2nd Annual Rocktoberfest

Saturday, October 3, 3:00 - 10:00 pm

Casey Jones Restaurant

417 E. Charles Street, La Plata

Free Admission and Open to the Public

The Festival offers a lively outdoor gathering place for families and friends with a laid back guitar-centric vibe in

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Rocktoberfest

October 3rd 3-10pm #rocklp4good

Come on rock La Plata for good!
Be front and center at one of the festivals indoor and outdoor stages.

Featuring:
Paul Reed Smith Band
Franklin Square Band
 Troy Peterson Joe Norris **Hometown Band**
 Dr. Robert Band **Rock Bottom** Doc Stevens
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MC: Josh Josen
417 E. Charles Street, La Plata MD
 Food, Drinks and Beer available for purchase at
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FREE Live Music!
2015 commemorative pint glasses!
Family Friendly!
 The Street Market will feature a variety of vendors and the Bill Waugh & Associates - Allstate Insurance Kid Zone with activities for kids, including face painting by Kat and a 25' climbing rock wall from 3 - 6 p.m.
T-Bone and Heather, 98.3 Star FM broadcasting live during the event.
 Raffle Grand Prize:
 Paul Reed Smith® Santana SE Guitar (valued at \$1,320) and a free lesson at Island Music Co. Raffle tickets are \$10 each. You don't have to be present to win! Proceeds will be donated to Charles County Public Schools to support the Fine and Performing Arts educational programs for young artists.

the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center Urgent Care Music Festival Tent and Casey Jones Restaurant & Bar VIP Lounge. The master of ceremonies is Josh Josen, a local businessman and member of the La Plata Business Association. Festival patrons can

move between the Island Music Company Main Outdoor Stage and indoor stage for simultaneous performances by acoustic singer/song writers and musicians, playing a diverse range of popular music, including classic and modern rock, blues, country, and pop. For more information, contact Christine Parker at 301-751-7553, or visit their [Facebook](#) page.

College of Southern Maryland Ward Virts Concert Series

Brian Ganz, Piano

Sunday, October 4, 3:00 pm

Prince Frederick Campus

Building B, Multi-Purpose Room 104

115 J.W. Williams Road, Prince Frederick

Free Admission



Brian Ganz is widely regarded as one of the leading pianists of his generation. For many years Mr. Ganz has made it his mission to join vivid music making with warmth and intimacy onstage to produce a new kind of listening experience, in which the classics of composers from Chopin to Shostakovich come to life with authentic emotional power. Mr. Ganz is on the piano faculty of St. Mary's College of Maryland, where he is artist-in-residence, and is a member of the piano faculty of the

Peabody Conservatory. For more information go to <http://www.csm.edu/Arts/WardVirts/index.html>.

Port Tobacco Players

Auditions

See How They Run

Monday - Tuesday, October 5 - 6, 7:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

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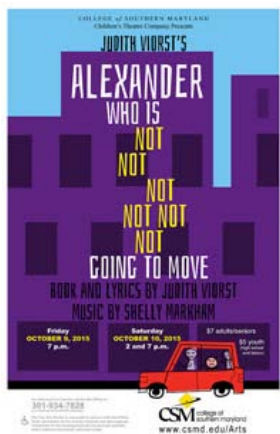


See How They Run is a British farce with heavy physical comedy. Nine adult roles are available: three female and six male. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. The show runs from January 29 through February 14, 2016, on PTP's main stage. For more information, contact the producer, Laurie Mudd.

at randlmudd@gmail.com.

College of Southern Maryland Children's Theatre Alexander, Who's Not Not Not Not Not Not Going to Move

Friday, October 9, 10:30 am (Matinee) and 7:00 pm
Saturday, October 10, 2:00 and 7:00 pm.
La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre, 8730 Mitchell Road
Tickets: \$7 Adults/Seniors, \$5 Youth (High School and Below)



Alexander has just received some really bad news from his parents. His dad has taken a job in a city a thousand miles away, which means that he and his mom and his dad and his bossy older brothers, Nick and Anthony, are going to have to move to a whole new city. He can't bear to leave the people and places he loves, so he decides that he won't move. While Alexander barricades his bedroom door, his mom and dad and even his brothers find some special ways to make it easier for Alexander to leave. They also help

him to understand that home is "where your family is, where you're with the people who love you best of all." For more information and to order tickets, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or go to <http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/theatre-and-dance/childrens-theatre>.

Alice Ferguson Foundation

33rd Annual Oktoberfest
Saturday, October 10, 1:00 - 6:00 pm
Hard Bargain Farm
2301 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek
Tickets: \$15 Adult, \$10 for Alice Ferguson Members in Advance, Children 7 and Under are Free

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Enjoy a fall festival full of fun for the whole family. Among the attractions will be German cuisine,

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

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authentic performances of

dances from Bavaria and Austria with the chance to join the [Alt-Washingtonia Schuhplattlers](http://www.fergusonfoundation.org) dance troupe on stage for audience-participation dances, homemade fall treats at the country store, hay wagon rides to the Potomac River, visiting with the animals in the barnyard, making apple cider with an old-fashioned cider press and more. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to <http://fergusonfoundation.org>.

La Plata Fall Festival

Sunday, October 11, 12:00 noon - 3:00 pm

La Plata Town Hall

305 Queen Anne Street, La Plata

LA PLATA *Fall Festival*

Come join in for a day of free family fun! Live music by the Sara Gray Band, craft and food vendors, kids activities - Moon Bounce, petting zoo and art tent. For more information, go to www.townoflaplata.org or contact Colleen Wilson at 301-934-8421, ext. 142.

Hard Bargain Players

The Mystery Plays

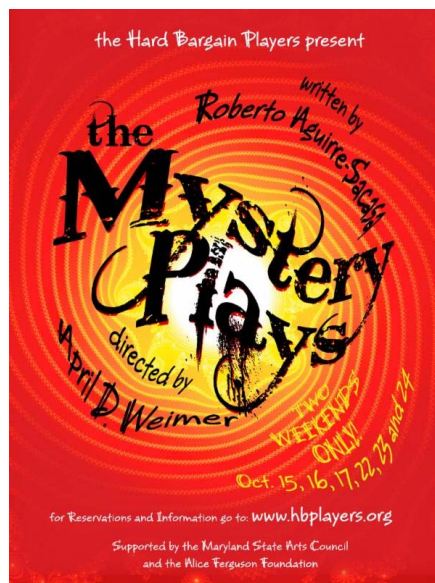
Thursday, Friday, Saturday

October 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24, 8:00 pm

2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek

Tickets: \$10 Adults, \$8 Students, Seniors and Members of the Alice Ferguson Foundation

The Mystery Plays are two interrelated one acts, loosely based on the tradition of the medieval mystery plays. In the first play, *The Filmmaker's Mystery*, Joe Manning, a director of horror films, survives a horrible train wreck - only to be haunted by the ghost of one of the passengers who didn't survive. In the second play, *Ghost Children*, Joe's attorney and friend, Abby Gilly,



travels to a small town in rural Oregon to make

peace with the man who brutally murdered her parents and younger sister sixteen years earlier. Like the original medieval mystery plays, *The Mystery Plays* wrestle with the most profound of human ideas: the mystery of death, the afterlife, religion, faith, and forgiveness - in a uniquely American way.

To make reservations, go to www.hbplayers.org or call Doris Sharp at 240-766-8830.

Life Journeys Writers Club

The Prison Plumb Line: A Lyrical Drama

Saturday, October 24

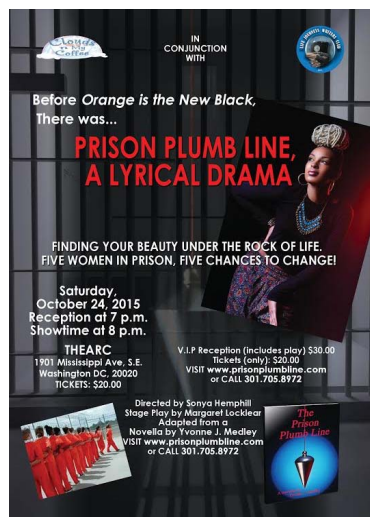
VIP Reception: 7:00 pm, Show Time: 8:00 pm

Thearc Theater (Town Hall Education Arts Recreation Campus)

1901 Mississippi Avenue, SE, Washington, DC

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Tickets: \$20 for the Play; \$30 for VIP Reception, Gift Package and Play



FIVE WOMEN IN PRISON, FIVE CHANCES TO CHANGE!!! Yvonne J. Medley began her prison ministry 20 years ago, and one of the first lessons learned was that it's easier to go to jail than you think! Evie Freeman, 20, is arrested and sure that her life is over-when in fact, she's about to discover her true talent, her true self, and through the prior journeys of her fellow female inmates, she's about to discover her true worth. Purchase tickets online at

www.prisonplumbline.com or call 407-970-1550 or 301-705-8972, or email emeddle@aol.com.

College of Southern Maryland Southern Maryland Concert Band

Saturday, October 24, 8:00 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

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



The Southern Maryland Concert Band under the direction of Michael Peerless, will continue its collaboration with CSM's music program on the La Plata Campus. CSM students will be able to join

community members and professional musicians in the SMCB for ensemble credit. For more information, go to <http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/music/concert-band>.

Indian Head Center for the Arts Black Box Theatre Welcome Back, Plotter: a Frogwarts Reunion

Friday, October 30, 7:00 pm

4185 Indian Head Highway

Indian Head

Tickets: \$12

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Hickory Dickory Dark Productions present an evening of murder, mystery, and mayhem. Join your favorite witches and wizards and hold your wand at the ready, because you might be next! For more information and to order tickets, call 301-743-3040 or email tickets.ihca@gmail.com.

VISUAL ARTS [\(top\)](#)

College of Southern Maryland

Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery

Christopher Scott Dolan

Landscapes of the District and Southern Maryland

Now through October 2

La Plata Fine Arts Center

Gallery Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 am - 9:00 pm; Saturday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Christopher Scott Dolan's goal is to create work that will justify itself and assert its own logic based upon his own



rather ill-defined criteria,
which, if reduced to its
simplest, would be "Does
that feel right or wrong?"
" For more information,
go to

<http://www.csmd.edu/Arts/HungerfordGallery.html>.

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home

"Call for Artists"

Theme is "Maryland Landscapes"

Deadline to Submit Extended to October 5, 2015



Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, in partnership with the Charles County Art Alliance, is now accepting submissions for their Fall Art Show, a multi-media exhibit, to be held at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, 29449 Charlotte Hall Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622, from October 22, 2015, to February 17, 2016. This brand new gallery will be presented along the E-Wing Dining Hallway. The Crossroads of Hughesville Garden Club will also create floral interpretations of selected art to be included in the show.

Local artists are invited to submit a maximum of two works of art for consideration (there is no submission fee). Artwork entries must be submitted electronically as digital images (jpegs) attached to an email sent to veteranshomeart@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

Selections will be made by the Charlotte Hall Gallery Committee and the artists will be notified in early October. All artwork must be wired and ready to hang.

On Saturday, January 23, 2016, a "Meet the Artists" Public Reception will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, at the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home E-Wing Multi-Purpose Room, to honor all the artists participating in the fall show.

For more information on the gallery, please contact Charlotte Hall Veterans Home at 301-884-8171 ext. 468, or veteranshomeart@gmail.com.

Southern Maryland Decorative Painters

Paint In

Saturday, October 10, 11:30 am

Charlotte Hall Branch Library

37600 New Market Road, Charlotte Hall

Open to the Public



At this meeting, the project is to paint Pumpkin Patch Playmates. Guests are always welcome. To get a list of supplies needed, contact LearnToPaint@outlook.com. For more information, go to <http://www.smdpaint.org>.

Mattawoman Creek Art Center

Smallwood State Park

5565 Upham Place, Marbury, MD 20658

The Gallery is open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays,

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

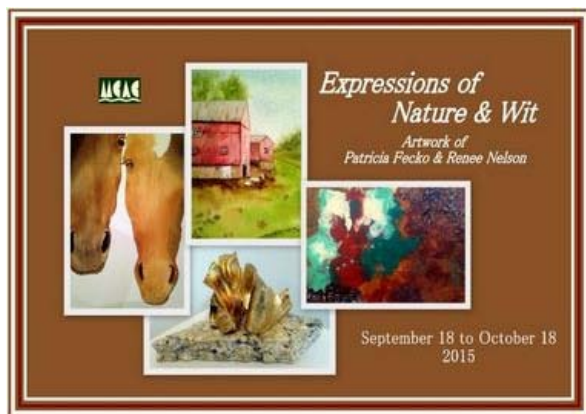
For more information about events, workshops and discounts for early registration, call 301-743-5159 or go

to www.mattawomanart.org. Click [here](#) to download the fall programs brochure.

Expressions of Nature & Wit

Artwork of Patricia Fecko and Renee Nelson

Now through October 18



MCAC Friday Open Studio

Fridays, Now through December 11

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!

Master European Artist Workshop

Thursday - Saturday, October 8 - 9 - 10; 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Fee: \$330 for MCAC Members / \$360 for Nonmembers

Pay by October 1 and Receive a \$30 Discount

Instructor: Hugh O'Neill (www.oneillgalleries.com)

Click [HERE](#) for Full Details and to Register



Daily painting demonstrations by O'Neill will illustrate key points on canvas. He is renowned for teaching by example -- demonstrating while he explains and describes each choice he makes. Among his objectives is to introduce students to powerful color and painting

techniques. Topics covered will include a more refined eye, looser flowing brushwork and powerful color mixing. The last day will be a *plein aire* demonstration with time for students to paint on their own. Critiques are part of the program as he likes to follow up on how each student progresses. Students may work in oils, pastels or acrylics. Bring your own painting materials and easel if you have one. (All levels.)

Wine, Cheese & Critiques
with Hugh O'Neill



Friday, October 9, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Cost: \$10, Payable at the Door

Bring one or two paintings to critique.
Register by calling MCAC at 301-743-5159,
or email mattawomanart@aol.com.

Plein Aire Workshop

Saturday, October 10, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Fee: \$140 for MCAC Members / \$150 for Nonmembers
Pay by October 1 and Receive a \$10 Discount
Instructor: Hugh O'Neill (www.oneillgalleries.com)



Come for the third day of the
Master European Artist
Workshop. This will be the *plein
aire* demonstration and painting
on your own. Students may
work in oils, pastels or acrylics.
Bring your own painting materials
and easel if you have one.

Please check with MCAC as the
location may change. (All levels.)

Flowers as Art

Sunday, October 11, 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Fee: \$40 Members / \$50 Nonmembers
Instructor: Bryan Swann
Additional \$25 Fee Paid to the Instructor



Flowers are beautiful. Art is
stunning. *Flowers as Art*
takes you someplace
different altogether. Bryan
Swann will teach how to
take the typical floral
arrangement to a place of
fine art. You will explore
color, line and shape.

Everyone will leave with an
arrangement and inspiration for your upcoming holidays.

National Gallery of Art

Programs in American Sign Language and Assistive
Listening Devices

Tours on Sundays, October 11, November 8, and December
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West Building, 6th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW,
Washington, DC (use the Constitution Avenue or Madison
Drive entrances for easiest access to the Rotunda)

The tours take place on



the second Sunday of every month and last about an hour. Meet the guide in the Rotunda of the West Building for the public tour. The program is interpreted into spoken English. Assistive listening devices are

available for use on any public tour with 3 weeks' advance notice. To plan your trip and view hours and maps, go to www.nga.gov and click on [Visit](#). For more information, go to www.nga.gov and click on [Calendar](#) or contact Lorena Baines at access@nga.gov or 202-842-6905.

LITERARY ARTS [{top}](#)

College of Southern Maryland

Connections Literary Series

Poet Philip Metres

Friday, October 9, 7:30 pm

La Plata Campus, Center for Business and Industry (BI)

Dr. John M. Sine Conference Room (Room 103)

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$3 in advance; \$5 at the event; or \$3 with CSM Student ID



Philip Metres is the author and translator of a number of books, including *Sand Opera* (Alice James 2015), *To See the Earth* (2008), and *Behind the Lines: War Resistance Poetry on the American Homefront* (University of Iowa 2007). He is a professor of English at John Carroll University in Cleveland. This program will focus on the role literature can play in peace building and conflict transformation, how literature can serve as a source of and a model for healing

and reconciliation in conflicts from Iraq, Israel/Palestine, and Northern Ireland, as well as right here at home, in Southern Maryland. For more information on Philip Metres go to www.philipmetres.com or behindthelinespoetry.blogspot.com. For more information on the Literary Series, go to <http://www.csm.edu/community/connections-literary-series/connections-readings/index>.

Charles County Public Library

Used Book Bazaar

October 17 - 24

Members Only Sale on Friday, October 16

La Plata Branch (Lower Level)

2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata



CITIZENS FOR CHARLES COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY, INC.

Fall Used **BOOK Bazaar**
October 17 - 24

LA PLATA LIBRARY (LOWER LEVEL)

301-934-9001

Special Members Only Sale

Friday, **OCTOBER 16**, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Membership available at the bazaar.

Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

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

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Eric Giles

Interstitial Drawings

Reception, Saturday, October 31, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

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Halloween Costume Party & Closing Reception

October 31, 2015 6 - 9 p.m.

Come in costume and be entered in a raffle to win a piece of new work!



Eric Giles' work explores what is possible to make in small gaps of time found between the events of his over-scheduled life and what tales lurk in the spaces we only experience from the corners of our eyes. He has been a

practicing artist for twenty-five years and works in a wide variety of mediums on projects ranging from graphic novels and illustration to installation and gallery shows. Giles currently teaches as an adjunct faculty member at the College of Southern Maryland. Come in costume and be entered in a raffle to win a piece of new work! For more information, go to www.qualprnt.com or call 240-349-2953.

Charles County Library Schedule

For September/October and November/December



Get a copy of the [September/October](#) and [November/December](#) brochures 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>.



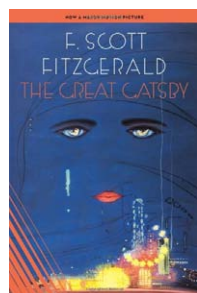
The Charles County Public Library offers book discussion groups at all of their branches [and online too!](#) Click the [link](#) to sign up.



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.

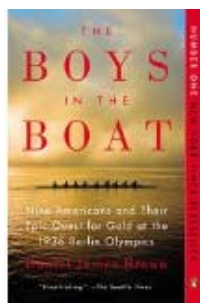


October 1: **The Great Gatsby** by F. Scott Fitzgerald. Fitzgerald's third book stands as the supreme achievement of his career. This exemplary novel of the Jazz Age has been acclaimed by generations of readers. It's the story of the fabulously wealthy Jay Gatsby, his love for the beautiful Daisy Buchanan, and lavish parties on Long Island. It is an exquisitely crafted tale of America in the 1920s.

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

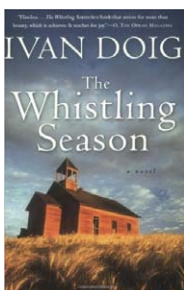
your library card.



October 3: ***The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics*** by Daniel Brown. Out of the depths of the Depression comes an irresistible story about beating the odds and finding hope in the most desperate of times--the improbable, intimate account of how nine working-class boys from the American West showed the world at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin what true grit really meant. *The Boys in the Boat* is the Maryland Humanities Council's One Maryland One Book selection for 2015.

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.

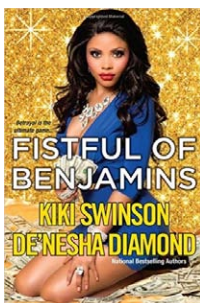


October 7: ***The Whistling Season*** by Ivan Doig. "Can't cook but doesn't bite." So begins the newspaper ad offering the services of an "A-1 housekeeper, sound morals, exceptional disposition" that draws the attention of widower Oliver Milliron in the fall of 1909. That unforgettable season deposits the ever-whistling Rose Llewellyn and her font-of-knowledge brother, Morris Morgan, in Marias Coulee along with a

stampede of homesteaders drawn by the promise of the Big Ditch--a gargantuan irrigation project intended to make the Montana prairie bloom. When the schoolmarm runs off with an itinerant preacher, Morris is pressed into service, setting the stage for the "several kinds of education" (none of them of the textbook variety), Morris and Rose will bring to Oliver, his three sons, and the rambunctious students in the region's one-room schoolhouse.

Writers of Color Book Club

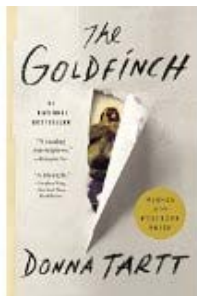
A book club for all who enjoy reading books by authors of African descent who write contemporary fiction. The Club meets every month on the second Thursday at alternating locations. The October meeting will be held at the Waldorf West Library, 10405 O'Donnell Place Waldorf. For more information, call 301-645-1395.



October 8: ***Fistful of Benjamins*** by Kiki Swinson and De'Nesha Diamond. *Special Delivery* by Kiki and *Gun Play* by De'Nesha are two separate tales of devious players and hustles as both main characters venture into very different worlds of danger and suspense.

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.



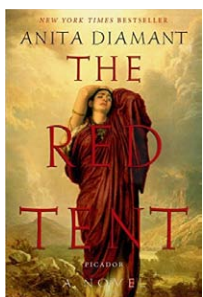
October 8: ***The Goldfinch*** by Donna Tartt. Theo Decker, a 13-year-old New Yorker, miraculously survives an accident that kills his mother. Abandoned by his father, Theo is taken in by the family of a wealthy friend. Bewildered by his strange new home on Park Avenue, disturbed by schoolmates who don't know how to talk to him, and tormented above all by his longing for his mother, he clings to the one thing

that reminds him of her: a small, mysteriously captivating painting that ultimately draws Theo into the underworld of art.

The Goldfinch is a mesmerizing, stay-up-all-night and tell-all-your-friends triumph, an old-fashioned story of loss and obsession, survival and self-invention, and the ruthless machinations of fate.

Potomac Book Discussion

Meets on the second Saturday of each month from 10:30 am - noon, at the Potomac Branch Library, 3225 Ruth B. Swann Drive, Indian Head. For more information, call 301-375-7375.

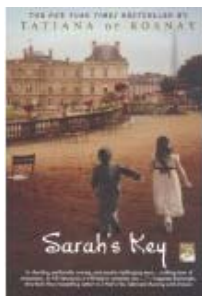


October 10: ***The Red Tent*** by Anita Diamant. Her name is Dinah. In the Bible, her life is only hinted at in a brief and violent detour within the more familiar chapters of the Book of Genesis that tell of her father, Jacob, and his twelve sons. Told in Dinah's voice, Anita Diamant imagines the traditions and turmoils of ancient womanhood--the world of the red tent. Dinah's story reaches out from a remarkable period of early history

and creates an intimate connection with the past.

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.



October 28: ***Sarah's Key*** by Tatiana de Rosnay. Paris, July 1942: Sarah, a ten year-old girl, is brutally arrested with her family by the French police in the Vel' d'Hiv' roundup, but not before she locks her younger brother in a cupboard in the family's apartment, thinking that she will be back within a few hours. Tatiana de Rosnay offers a brilliantly subtle, compelling portrait of France under occupation and reveals the taboos and

silence that surround this painful episode.

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. Get a copy of their [October](#) newsletter. For more activities and events, get a copy of the [October](#) issue 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, 301-753-1647, 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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