

Arts Newsflash

Charles Arts
County Alliance

Performing • Visual • Literary

August 4, 2016

Community Bank of the Chesapeake, Waldorf Branch

"Call for Artists"



Community Bank
of the Chesapeake*

Theme is "Artists Choice"

Deadline to Submit Extended to August 5, 2016

Community Bank of the Chesapeake, in partnership with the Charles County Art Alliance, is now accepting submissions for their fourth art show, a multi-media exhibit, to be held at the Main Waldorf Branch, 3035 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf, MD, from **August 19 to November 18, 2016**.

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 waldorfwestgallery@gmail.com. Please reference "Community Bank Gallery" in the subject line.

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

The artists will be notified later in August after the Gallery Committee meets and makes their selections. All artwork must be wired and ready to hang when delivered to the Bank.

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July 2016 Arts Insider

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



Deadline to Submit Extended to August 12, 2016 Theme is "Artists Choice"

The Charles County Arts Alliance is now accepting submissions for the Fall Art Show, a multi-media public exhibit, to be held at the Waldorf West Library, 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD, from **September 26, 2016, to January 7, 2017**. 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. Please reference "Waldorf West Fall Show" in the subject line.

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
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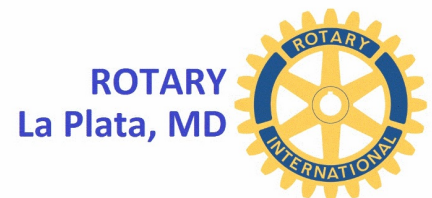
Artists who have previously shown in the gallery are invited to submit new work for consideration. Selections will be made by the Gallery Committee and the artists will be notified in August. All artwork must be wired and ready to hang at time of delivery.

On **Saturday, October 1, 2016**, 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 fall show.

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

Attention All Organizations and Businesses Charles County Fair is September 15 - 18 Help Us Fill the CCAA Arts Bags!





Travel Ticker



CCAA Member Organizations & Businesses



The Charles County Arts Alliance has been a proud partner with the Charles County Fair Board for many years. We help supervise the P.D. Brown Fine Arts Building, and staff a CCAA booth to promote the arts in our county and membership in our organization.

Each year we assemble arts bags filled with interesting flyers, pens, brochures, business cards, press releases, event announcements and other promotional materials to hand out to Charles County Fair-goers. We want to advertise the broad diversity of the arts we offer here in Charles County: music, visual art, drama, dance and literature.

This year, again, we plan to stuff 500 arts bags. We need your stuff, so we can stuff these bags. The bags are 12" wide and 15" tall. **Please deliver 500 of your promo items to our CCAA Office by 12:00 noon on Friday, September 9.** The office is located at 10250 La Plata Road, near the corner of Rts. 488 and 6, in the United Way House, La Plata, MD. Thank you!

PERFORMING ARTS {top}

**College of Southern Maryland
Children's Play (CSM Theatre Program)
"Spirit of Hispania: Hispanic Tales"**

Thursday, August 4, 6:45 pm
Prince Frederick Campus
115 J.W. Williams Road, Prince Frederick
Bring a lawn chair. In case of inclement weather, performance will be held inside.



For more information, visit <http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/special-events/twilight-performance-series>, or call the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

**Port Tobacco Players
Auditions for Ages 16 to 75
White Christmas**



Thursday, August 4, 7:00 pm
Saturday, August 6, 9:00 am
508 E. Charles Street, La Plata

Synopsis: Based on the beloved, timeless film, this heartwarming musical adaptation features 17 Irving Berlin songs. Veterans Bob Wallace and Phil Davis have a successful song-and-dance act after World War II. With romance in mind, the two follow a duo of beautiful singing sisters en route to their Christmas show at a Vermont lodge, which just happens to be owned by Bob and Phil's former army commander. **For auditions:** They are looking for a diverse cast; one female 9-12 years old part available. Auditions consist of singing, dancing, and cold reading from the script. Prepare 16 to 32 bars of a classic Broadway-style song (Berlin, Gershwin, Rogers and Hammerstein, etc.), and arrive with sheet music. No acapella, no songs from the show, and no recordings of music. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes for dancing. Performance dates are November 25 - December 18, 2016. For more information, contact Laurie Mudd at randlmudd@gmail.com. or visit <http://www.ptplayers.com/audition-announcement.html>.

FREE EVENING CONCERTS TWO LOCATIONS!

BRING LAWN CHAIRS OR BLANKETS FOR SITTING



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

Bands perform on the boardwalk, which is in the center of the community. Plenty of free parking is available. Coolers are permitted, but alcohol and glass containers are prohibited. Concerts will end at dusk.

August 4 - Peterson Brothers

August 11 - GrooveSpan

August 18 - Sin Miedo

August 25 - US Navy Band, Sea Chanters

September 1 - Tomorrow's Time

For more information, go [St. Charles Sunset Concert Festival](#).

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.

August 5 - 257th Army Band

August 12 - Eric Scott Band

August 19 - The Muddy Crows

August 26 - Southern Maryland Concert Band

September 2 - John Luskey Band

September 9 - Paul Thomas and The M W B Band

September 16 - BackFin

September 23 - Port Tobacco Pickers

September 30 - Robbie Boothe

For more information, go to [La Plata Summer Concert Series](#).

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Port Tobacco Players

Port Tobacco Players

1776

Final Performances! August 5, 6, 7

Friday, Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Tickets: \$18 Adult; \$15 Senior (60+), Youth to 18, Military

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Can musical theater be funny, insightful and educational? Yep! It's the summer of 1776, and the nation is ready to declare independence. . .if only our founding fathers can agree to do it! 1776 follows John Adams of Massachusetts, Benjamin Franklin of Pennsylvania, and Thomas Jefferson of Virginia as they attempt to convince the members of the second Continental Congress to vote for

independence from the shackles of the British monarchy by signing the Declaration of Independence. Come see the pivotal event in American history blaze to life in this unconventional, hilarious and family-friendly Broadway hit.

For more information, go to <http://www.ptplayers.com>, or call the Box Office at 301-932-6819.

Indian Head Center for the Arts Black Box Theatre

Mashup

Saturday, August 6, 7:00 pm
4185 Indian Head Highway, Indian Head
Tickets: \$10 at the Door



Featuring Jack McNutt with acoustic, rock and metal music. For more information, call 301-743-3040, or visit <http://www.indianheadblackbox.org>.

College of Southern Maryland

Auditions

Monday and Tuesday, August 8 and 9, 6:00 pm
La Plata Campus Fine Arts Center Theater
8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata



Open auditions for these productions:

- *The Runner Stumbles* (Main Stage, roles for performers 18 years and older)
- *Benched* (Cause Theatre, roles for performers 18 years and older)
- *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* (Children's Theatre, roles for performers 8 years and older)
- *Pinocchio* (Main Stage musical, roles for performers 8 years and older)

Performances will take place between September 8 and November 19, 2016.

- Prepare a one-minute monologue.
- Prepare 16 bars of a song with music for the accompanist

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Click [here](#) to join or renew and pay with PayPal.

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Thank you for supporting the Charles County Arts Alliance! Your donation is 100 percent tax deductible.

The *Newsflash* is published every Thursday. If you would like your event included, contact the CCAA

- Come dressed to move

office by email at 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.

For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828 or go to <http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/theatre-and-dance/auditions/index>.

Historic St. Mary's City and The Newtowne Players Shakespeare in the City

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

The Tempest

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, August 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 7:30 pm
Southern Maryland Youth Orchestra Performs, August 12, 13, 19, 20, 7:00 pm

Reconstructed State House of 1676

47418 Old State House Road, Saint Mary's City, MD 20686

Tickets: \$15 Adult; \$12 Senior, Military, Student; \$10 Children 6 to 11;

Free for Children Under 6

Thursday, August 18 - This Night Only - Tickets: \$10, Children under 6 are Free



Exiled to an abandoned island in the middle of the sea, Prospero, the former Duke of Milan, grows into a powerful sorcerer. When chance brings his enemies close to his shores, Prospero schemes his revenge against the ones who overthrew him: his cunning sister, Antonia, and Alonso, the King of Naples. Raising a powerful storm with the help of his faithful and spritely servant, Ariel, Prospero brings the shipwrecked king and crew into his world of mystery, danger and enchantment. Family and political drama intertwine with lighthearted comedy

and romance as fools, lovers, and villains alike traverse the island in William Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. For additional information, contact Aaron Meisinger at AaronM@digshistory.org, or call 240-895-4990.

The Hard Bargain Players

Radio Golf

Friday, Saturday, August 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27, 8:00 pm

Theater in the Woods

2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek

Tickets: \$12 Adults, \$10 Students and Members of the Alice Ferguson Foundation



Ambitious, well-connected, charismatic, Ivy League educated real estate mogul Harmond Wilks is on a path to become the first Black mayor of Pittsburgh. With a lucrative real estate development project about to break ground and a smart, supportive and equally ambitious wife by his side, he is living the dream. However, he is forced to evaluate the true cost of success when the revelation of secrets creates a moral crisis threatening all of his aspirations. For more information and to purchase tickets, contact Doris

Sharp at 240-766-8830, or email hbplayersboxoffice@gmail.com.

Take a Bow Performing Arts Group

M. The Musical Dinner Theater

Saturday, August 13, 1:00 and 5:00 pm

Sunday, August 14, 3:00 pm
The Waldorf Culture Center
109 A Post Office Road, Waldorf
Tickets: \$25, Includes Dinner



This full-scale musical production of *Matilda*, performed by the Theater Arts Camp kids, proves that miraculous things come in small packages. For more information and to purchase tickets, contact Heather Dautrich at 240-754-7732 or email takeabowperformingarts@yahoo.com.

Hickory Dickory Dark Productions Auditions

The Mystery of Edwin Drood, the Musical

Sunday, August 14, 3:00 - 5:00 pm

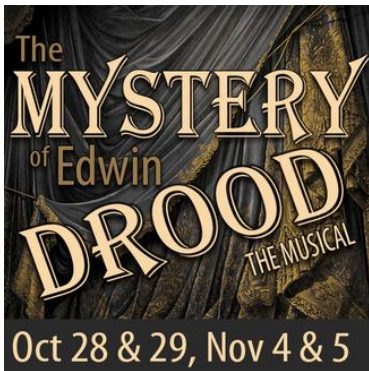
Monday, August 15, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Callbacks Possible, Wednesday, August 17

Indian Head Black Box Theater

4185 Indian Head Highway, Indian Head

Click [HERE](#) for More Information, List of Characters, Audition Requirements, and to Sign Up for An Audition Slot



This is a musical version of the last book written by Charles Dickens. It is a play within a play and every night the ending is decided by audience vote. Needless to say, the ensemble interacts heavily with the audience throughout the course of the show. Performance dates are October 28, 29, November 4 and 5, 2016.

La Plata Town Hall Kids' Summer Shows

West Lawn, 305 Queen Anne Street, La Plata

Free and Open to the Public

Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs for sitting. No concessions will be available, but you are welcome to bring drinks and snacks along. For more information, visit <http://www.townofaplata.org>.

[Uncle Devin Show](#)

Tuesday, August 16, 10:00 am

The Uncle Devin Show® is a live, interactive musical experience for children by renowned drummer Devin Walker. The show cultivates the minds of children through percussion instruments and is a dynamic cross between Fat Albert and

Schoolhouse Rock.

Port Tobacco Players Encore Kids

Auditions for Grades 1st - 8th

Tuesday, August 16, 6:30 pm

Thursday, August 18, 6:30 pm

508 E. Charles Street, La Plata


Live Music for Children!



The Encore Kids group consists of children in 1st - 8th grades. Their mission is to serve as a community outreach program of the Port Tobacco Players by providing year-round onstage opportunities for kids with an interest in and a flair for theater. To audition, prepare 16 to 32 bars of musical theater or Disney-style song and a memorized short monologue, poem or story. Bring sheet

music for the song; an accompanist will be provided. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819, or contact the PTP Education Chairperson at education@ptplayers.com.

Chesapeake Choral Arts Society

Auditions

Mondays, August 29 and September 12, 6:30 pm

By Appointment (Alternate Dates May be Arranged)

Peace Lutheran Church

401 E. Smallwood Drive, Waldorf



Auditions will consist of vocal warm-ups, pitch matching and vocal exercises to determine the singer's vocal range. No prepared piece is necessary. High School age singers and older are welcome. The choir meets regularly from September - June, rehearsing at Peace Lutheran Church on Monday evenings from 7:00 - 9:00 pm, and produces three

different concerts throughout the season. Call Carol at 301-642-0594 to set up an audition appointment. For more information about CCAS, visit www.chesapeakechoral.com, or find them on [Facebook](#).

Ms Georgia's Creative Arts Academy

Seeking Teachers in Art, Piano, Guitar, Strings and Voice



Ms Georgia's Creative Arts Academy (formerly Ms Georgia's Musical Beginnings) serves over 100 families in Southern Maryland and is rapidly expanding. Her upbeat academy focuses on developing the creative spark in each student, including those with special needs, and exposing them to the great masters in the world of Fine Arts through dynamic hands-on experiences. The Academy offers individual and group lessons, student performance opportunities, in-house performances by professional artists, and field trips to shows and museums throughout the DC area. The Academy serves students of

all ages, however the majority of the students are ages 5-11. For more information about becoming one of the Academy's teachers, contact Georgia Bonney at 301-542-9359, or georgiabonney@gmail.com.

VISUAL ARTS {top}

HERE'S WHAT IS HANGING NOW! CCAA-SPONSORED ART GALLERIES



Charles County Government Commissioners Building

"Artists without Limits" Multi-Artist Show, through September 26 , 2016
200 Baltimore Street, La Plata, MD 20646
Gallery hours: Weekdays, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home

Multi-Artist Show, through October 19, 2016
E-Wing Assisted Living Dining Hallway
29449 Charlotte Hall Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622
Gallery Hours: Daily, 10:00 am to 8:00 pm
"Meet the Artists" Public Reception, September 24, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Community Bank of the Chesapeake

Multi-Artist Show, through August 18, 2016
3035 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf, MD 20601
Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center

Solo Show by Gordon Johnson, Now through October 5, 2016
5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646
Gallery hours: Daily, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Waldorf West Library

Multi-Artist Show, through September 24, 2016
10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD 20603
Gallery Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 8:00 pm; Friday, 1:00 - 5:00 pm; and Saturday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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

Mattawoman Creek Art Center Exhibits, Workshops, Open Studio

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 call 301-743-5159. or
go to www.mattawomanart.org.
Admission is Free for MCAC Visitors! Inform the Park Ranger
when Entering the Park.
Click [HERE](#) for their summer brochure!

Plein Air Fridays!

9:00 am to Noon

Free and Open to the Public



Just show up at the location listed at 9:00 am. Meet together in the parking lot and then paint until 12:00 noon. Gather together for lunch and a friendly critique of each other's works. Bring your own art supplies, lunch and beverage. To get directions, contact Mary Kercher at mkercher@ad.com.

August 5: Mt. Aventine, Chapman State Park

August 12: Benedict Pier, Benedict

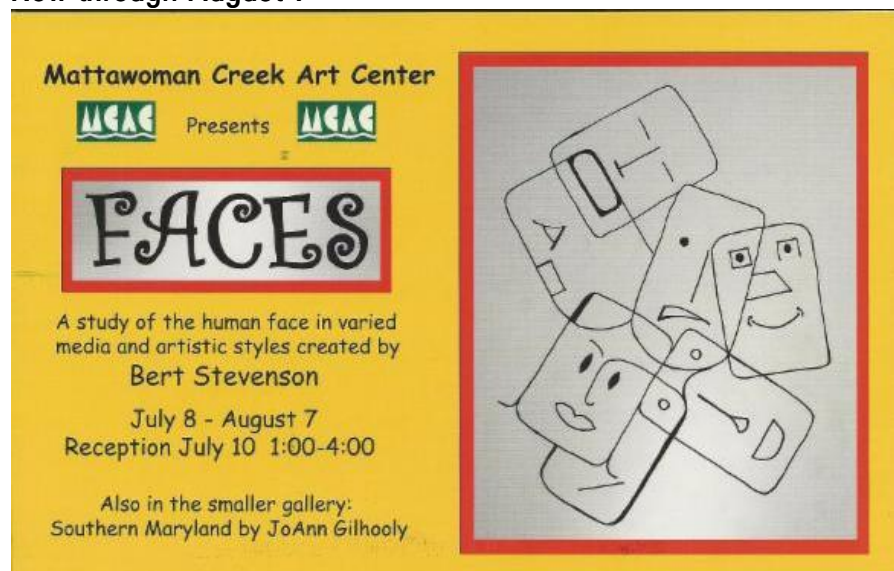
August 19: Waldorf West Library, Waldorf

August 26: MCAC, General Smallwood State Park

Faces

Exhibit by Bert Stevenson

Now through August 7



Mattawoman Creek Art Center
MCAC Presents MCAC

FACES

A study of the human face in varied media and artistic styles created by Bert Stevenson

July 8 - August 7
Reception July 10 1:00-4:00

Also in the smaller gallery:
Southern Maryland by JoAnn Gilhooly

Southern Maryland

Exhibit by Jo Ann Gilhooly

Now through August 7



Over 20 paintings portray the beauty and wonder of the Southern Maryland area.

Open All-Media Show Call for Entry

Delivery Dates: Saturday, August 6,
11:00 am - 2:00 pm; and Sunday, August
7, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Show Dates: August 12 - September 11

Reception: Sunday, August 14, 1:00 -
4:00 pm



Click [HERE](#) to download the Application Form

For more information, go to www.mattawomanart.org, contact Harriett at
ahahproductions@yahoo.com, 301-868-0364, email
mattawomanart@aol.com, or call 301-743-5159.

Call for Individual Artist Show

Deadline to Submit: August 15

Click [HERE](#) for complete Framing
Standards and Application Form.

Artists will be notified on November 1. For
more information, call 301-743-5159, or
visit <http://www.mattawomanart.org>.



Strokework -- Violas

Saturday, August 20, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Fee: \$50 Members / \$60 Nonmembers

Instructor: Sandy Scales, Member of Society of Decorative
Painters



Join Sandy Scales as she teaches a few
brushstrokes that lead to many flower and leaf
designs. Fee includes paints, prepped surfaces,
instructions and color photo of project. You will
need to bring stroke brushes and a wet palette.
Brushes will be available for purchase if needed.
All Levels.

Mattawoman Creek Art Center

Open Studio

Fridays, Now through August 27, 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! For more information, go to
mattawomanart.org.



The Great Art Heist Mystery Dinner

Friday, September 30, 6:00 - 10:00 pm

Tickets: \$55; \$65 After September 16

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Fun, food, a mystery to solve and art for sale. For more information, call 301-743-5159, email mattawomanart@aol.com, or visit www.mattawomanart.org.

National Gallery of Art *Programs in American Sign Language and Assistive Listening Devices*

Tour on Sunday, August 14, 1:00 pm

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.

National Gallery of Art *Picture This! The Close of Day: Twilight Landscapes!*

Tours for People with Low Vision or Who Are Blind

Wednesday, August 24, and Saturday, August 27, 1:00 pm

6th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC (use the
Constitution Avenue or Madison Drive entrances for easiest access
to the Rotunda)



*Lumber Schooners at Evening on
Penobscot Bay*
by Fitz Henry Lane, 1863

Picture This tours incorporate vibrant verbal description with information about works of art. Tours meet at 1:00 pm in the Rotunda of the West Building of the National Gallery and last about an hour. Everyone is welcome! For more information or to receive web links to works that will be described on the tour in advance, contact Lorena Baines at access@nga.gov or 202-842-6905. Verbally described tours are also available by request with 3 weeks' notice by e-mailing

access@nga.gov. For more information, go to www.nga.gov.

Maryland Independent, Calvert Recorder and Enterprise

Calling All Photographers!

Photos Wanted for the 2017 Calendars



CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS!
Seeking images of
Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's counties
for our
2017 CALENDARS

"We know Southern Maryland is beautiful - and so do you."

Send in your picturesque photos of Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's counties for a chance to be featured in our 2017 calendars. Landscapes in all seasons from North Beach to Waldorf, Hollywood to Dunkirk, are wanted. Photographers will receive prominent credit for their work.

Please send large, high-resolution files to Megan Johnson at msjohnson@somdnews.com by Wednesday, August 3. Please include photographer's name, hometown, and the location of the photo.

Happy Snapping!

The Calvert Recorder Calvert County Maryland Independent Charles County The Enterprise St. Marys County

Submit up to 5 of your picturesque photos of Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's Counties for a chance to be featured in the Southern Maryland News 2017 Calendars. Landscapes in all seasons from North Beach to Waldorf, Hollywood to Dunkirk are wanted. Send large, high-resolution files (5MB or greater), horizontal landscapes preferred, to Megan Johnson at msjohnson@somdnews.com. Include the photographer's name, hometown and location of the photo.

LITERARY ARTS {top}

Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco

Keep Reading Growing Strong for All Ages

Friday, August 5, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Historic Port Tobacco Courthouse

8430 Commerce Street, Port Tobacco

Free and Open to the Public; Donations of School Supplies

Gratefully Accepted



Looking for a great book to read this summer? On Friday, August 5, join the Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco as they welcome local authors to the historic Port Tobacco Courthouse. From children's literature to romance to historical works, and everything in between, there is something for everyone! Authors will be giving brief book talks and sharing their work. Books will be available for purchase. Light

refreshments will be served. Donations of school supplies will be given to Children's Aid Society for distribution. For more information, go to their [Facebook](#) page, or contact Joyce Edelen at keechjoyce@aol.com.

The Life Journeys Writers Guild

SpeakNow! Official Launch and Release Party!

Saturday, August 6, 2016, 12:30 - 3:00 pm

The Legends Club, located in the Blue Crabs Stadium

11765 St. Linus Drive, Waldorf

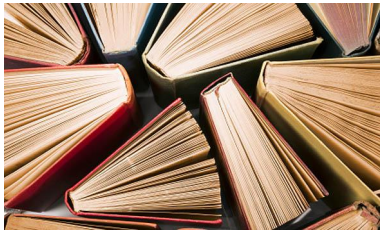


Expect "spoken word" performances, food, a presentation and book signing by Malcolm Jarell, community activist, poet and author of *SpeakNow!* For more information, please contact LJWG at 240-545-5594, or email malcolmjarell@gmail.com.

Waldorf West Library

Local Authors' Reception

Saturday, August 15, 2016 - 4:00 pm
10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf



Meet and celebrate our local authors at the Local Author's Reception. Be inspired by our own local celebrities from Charles, Calvert, St. Mary's and Prince Georges counties. Appropriate for school age through adult. Sponsored by Charles County Public Library and Life Journeys Writers Guild. For more information, contact Sarah Guy at 301-645-

1395.

Charles County Public Library *Summer Reading Program: Sports & Games* Now through August 20 Register at ccpl.beanstack.org

Charles County Public Library
2016 Summer Reading: Sports & Games
Register at ccpl.beanstack.org

This year our theme is Sports & Games! The program runs from June 18th - August 20th at all four county libraries. We'll have hundreds of programs and activities to keep you occupied all summer long!



The summer reading program offers three levels of participation: Bronze, Silver and Gold. Choose any or all, with drawings for prizes in each level. Go to ccpl.beanstack.org for complete details.



Join us for a summer of fun, games and reading! Our summer reading program offers three levels of participation so each customer can choose how they use the library! You can participate in one level or in all levels - it's up to you!

Bronze Level Participation: Use the library! Check out books, use our computers, attend programs or ask a reference question. Use a Summer Reading bookmark to collect stamps (one for each library activity you do, up to 3 stamps per day). Collect 10 stamps and turn in your bookmark to staff for a prize coupon to indicate which drawing you want to be entered in.

Silver Level Participation: Log the minutes you spend reading on Beanstack. Read for more than 10 hours during the summer to be entered in a drawing for gift cards. (That's less than 15 minutes per day - you can break up your reading however you want!)



Gold Level Participation: Log the minutes you spend reading AND write reviews of the books/magazines/ebooks/audio books you read on Beanstack. Customers who write at least 10 reviews and read for at least 10 hours will be entered into a drawing for the grand prize.



Our prizes range from Lego kits and K'Nex to make-your-own spa and bubble gum kits to kites and Lego disks. Grand prizes include tickets to the Nationals, Wizards, DC United and Myrtle games and to the Renaissance Festival. The more you read and use the library the more you could win!



Charles County Library Programs For July/August 2016



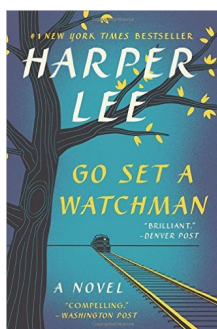
Get a copy of the [July/August](#) brochure to see all the programs available at your local libraries. There are art classes, computer classes, book discussions for all ages, craft programs, preschool story times, games, writing classes, and lots of other activities for every interest and age!

For more information, call 301-645-1395, or go to <http://www.ccplonline.org>.



[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.



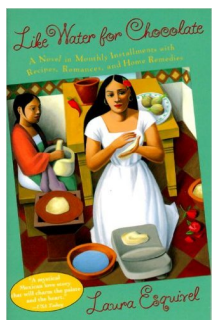
August 4: *Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee.

Maycomb, Alabama. Twenty-six-year-old Jean Louise (Scout) Finch returns home from New York City to visit her aging father, Atticus. Set against the backdrop of the civil rights tensions and political turmoil that were transforming the South, Jean Louise's homecoming turns bittersweet when she learns disturbing truths about her close-knit family, the town, and the people dearest to her. Featuring many of the iconic characters from *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *Go Set a Watchman* perfectly captures a young woman, and a world, in painful yet necessary transition out of the illusions of the past, a journey that can

only be guided by one's own conscience.

P.D. Brown Library Adult 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. For more information, call 301-645-2864.



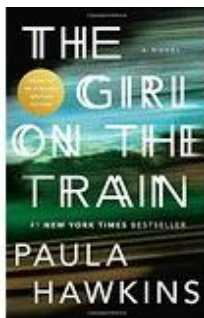
August 6: *Like Water for Chocolate: A Novel in Monthly Installments with Recipes, Romances, and Home Remedies* by Laura Esquivel.

The youngest daughter of a well-born rancher, Tita has always known her destiny: to remain single and care for her aging mother. When she falls in love, her mother quickly scotches the liaison and tyrannically dictates that Tita's sister Rosaura must marry the luckless suitor, Pedro, in her place. But Tita has one weapon left—her cooking. Forced to make the cake for her sister's wedding, Tita pours her emotions into the task; each guest who samples a piece bursts into tears.

Tita's unrequited love for Pedro survives the Mexican Revolution, the births of Rosaura and Pedro's children, even a proposal of marriage from an eligible doctor. In a poignant conclusion, Tita manages to break the bonds of tradition, if not for herself, then for future generations.

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.



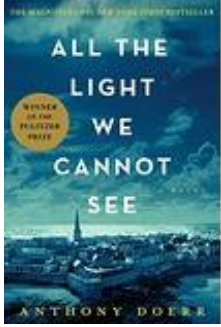
August 11: *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins.

Rachel takes the same commuter train every morning and night. Every day she rattles down the track, flashes past a stretch of cozy suburban homes, and stops at the signal that allows her to daily watch the same couple breakfasting on their deck. She's even started to feel like she knows them. Jess and Jason, she calls them. Their life, as she sees it, is perfect. Not unlike the life she recently lost. And then she sees something shocking. It's only a minute until the train moves on, but it's enough. Now everything's changed. Unable to keep it to herself, Rachel goes to the

police. But is she really as unreliable as they say? Soon she is deeply entangled not only in the investigation but in the lives of everyone involved. Has she done more harm than good?

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.

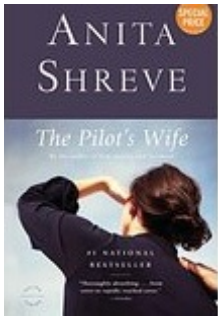


August 24: *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr. Marie-Laure lives with her father in Paris near the Museum of Natural History, where he works as the master of its thousands of locks. When she is six, Marie-Laure goes blind and her father builds a perfect miniature of their neighborhood so she can memorize it by touch and navigate her way home. When she is twelve, the Nazis occupy Paris, and father and daughter flee to the walled citadel of Saint-Malo. In a mining town in Germany, the orphan Werner grows up with his younger sister, enchanted by a crude radio they find. Werner becomes an expert at building and fixing

these crucial new instruments, a talent that wins him a place at a brutal academy for Hitler Youth, then a special assignment to track the resistance. More and more aware of the human cost of his intelligence, Werner travels through the heart of the war and, finally, into Saint-Malo, where his story and Marie-Laure's converge.

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.



September 7: *The Pilot's Wife* by Anita Shreve.

A pilot's wife is taught to be prepared for the late-night knock at the door. But when Kathryn Lyons receives word that a plane flown by her husband, Jack, has exploded near the coast of Ireland, she confronts the unfathomable, one startling revelation at a time. Soon drawn into a maelstrom of publicity fueled by rumors that Jack led a secret life, Kathryn sets out to learn who her husband really was, whatever that knowledge might cost. Her search propels this taut, impassioned novel as it movingly explores the question, How well can we ever really know

another person?

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Community Senior Centers Get the [SCOOP](#) on What's Happening!



The Department of Community Services operates each of the County's Senior Centers, where citizens 60 and older may access a variety of programs and services, including: Social/Recreational activities, Clubs, Special Events, Trips, Nutritious Lunches, Health and Screenings Programs, Health Scope/Visit the Nurse, Educational programs, Physical Fitness programs, Creative Arts, and Computer Lab/Classes. For more activities and events, get the [August](#) copy of *The SCOOP*, Charles County's Senior Center News, or click [here](#) to go to their website.

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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.