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November 17, 2016

#### YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED!

# 2016 ANNUAL GRANTEE AND MEMBERSHIP GALA



Sunrise Tuscany by Ernest Sinnes, Charles County Artist

Bella Tuscany!

Saturday, November 19, 2016

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Old Waldorf School 3074 Crain Highway, Waldorf, MD

TICKETS: \$40 - TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO PURCHASE THESE DISCOUNT TICKETS IN ADVANCE!

#### TICKETS AT THE DOOR WILL COST \$50

Join us as we celebrate the arts and award over \$46,000 in grants to 14 Charles County nonprofits and 7 schools! Enjoy our Tuscan "trattoria" with a sumptuous Antipasti Buffet by Rucci's, vino, and music magnifico by the Gretchen Richie Jazz Cabaret! A Silent Auction will be held to benefit the CCAA Arts Scholarship Program.

Please join us for our grandest evening of the year! Our annual Gala brings together the entire arts community of Charles County for a night of fun, festivities and warm fellowship. You won't want to miss it!

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#### November 2016 Arts Insider

**Thanks** to Our Sponsors

Advance tickets are \$40 per person (\$10 is tax-deductible) and must be purchased by noon, TODAY. Tickets purchased at the door will cost \$50 per person.

Buy Tickets Now!

, or stop by the CCAA Office at 10250 La Plata Road, La Plata, MD, to pay in person with cash or a check. The office hours are 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Tickets will be available in

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

#### Charles County Arts Alliance and PNC **Foundation**

Arts Scholarships Are Now Available! Deadline to Apply: March 17, 2017



You can pay with PayPal,

will-call at the Gala.

Each year, the Arts Alliance offers \$1000 scholarships to one eligible graduating student from each of the high schools in Charles County. The funds are to be applied toward tuition in a 4year college or university to advance the education of the student toward a career in the arts. In addition, the Arts Alliance has partnered with the PNC Foundation to award \$1000 scholarships to three seniors who meet certain financial requirements.

Click **HERE** to download the CCAA Scholarship Application.

Click **HERE** to download the PNC Foundation Scholarship Application.

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

#### PERFORMING ARTS (top)

Southern Maryland Christian Academy Drama Club Flue Season: A Comedy of Horrors

Thursday - Friday, November 17 - 18, 7:00 pm

Saturday, November 19, 6:00 pm

9805 Faith Baptist Church Road, White Plains

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

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

Refreshments will be sold



The school is freezing cold and Carla, the head custodian, can't seem to get the building warm enough to satisfy the exacting and demanding principal. But things start turning around for Carla when she discovers a mysterious boiler in the basement: the S.T.U. 9000 (the most efficient furnace on the market). Little does Carla know that S.T.U. stands for "Student Thermal Units." When a student accidentally gets "fed" to the furnace,

S.T.U. becomes greedy and demands more "food" to feed his massive appetite. At first, Carla is frightened, but when the building becomes warm and the principal gets off her back, well, life is good, no worries... For more information, call Mrs. Goshorn at 301-870-2550.









#### Bullock's Piano Salon Complete Family Music Center — School Band Rental Program, Rental, Sales, Service, New & Us







#### College of Southern Maryland

#### **Pinocchio**

Thursday, November 17, 7:30 pm Friday, November 18, 8:00 pm Saturday, November 19, 2:00 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$15 Adults; \$12 Seniors, Military, Youth of High School

Age and Below



Pinocchio is an original musical based on the classic fairy tale by Carlo Collodi about the puppet who wanted to become a real boy. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

Buy Tickets Now!















## **Travel Ticker**

#### National Cherry Blossom Festival Sing into Spring Competition

Open to Residents of DC, Maryland and Virginia, Ages 15 and Up

Applicants Under 18 Require Parental Consent

Deadline to Apply: November 18, 2016

Click <u>HERE</u> for Compete Details and to Register

Click **HERE** for Videos of Last Year's Applicants



The National Cherry Blossom Festival, Inc. is seeking vocal talent for the 2017 National Cherry Blossom Festival Parade®. The Festival will present vocal soloists and/or group vocalists from the Washington, DC, area to perform in the National Cherry Blossom Festival Parade® on Saturday, April 8, 2017. To be considered, submit the online application and \$15 entry fee (payable by credit card only). All entry fees are non-refundable. The competition is comprised of video entries posted at youtube.com. For more information, contact Diana Cirone at dcirone@ncbfdc.org.

#### Henry E. Lackey High School Do Not Go Gentle

Friday - Saturday, November 18 - 19, 6:30 pm

Sunday, November 20, 2:00 pm

3000 Chicamuxen Road, Indian Head

Tickets: \$8 Adults; \$7 Students, Senior Citizens, Military; \$6

**Thespians** 



The production features the life of Lillian, an 84-year-old woman who recently passed away. The show follows Lillian as she attempts to teach her surviving loved ones lessons about life, and features flashbacks of Lillian's life. Call 301-743-5431 for more information.

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#### Indian Head Center for the Arts Black Box Theatre God of Carnage

Fridays, Saturdays, November 18 - December 10, 8:00 pm 4185 Indian Head Highway, Indian Head Adult content and language not suitable for

**Buy Tickets Now!** 

children

Tickets: \$15 Adult; \$12 Seniors, Military, Youth



Fridays & Saturdays at 8 p.m. Nov. 18-19, Dec. 2-3, 9-10

(Adult Drama/Language) Winner of the 2009 Tony Award, the play begins with a playground altercation between eleven-year boys which brings together two sets of Brooklyn parents for a meeting to resolve the matter. At first, diplomatic niceties are observed, but as the meeting progresses, and the rum flows, tensions emerge and the gloves come off, leaving the couples with more than just their liberal principles in tatters. Performed by the Port Tobacco Players. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-743-3040.

#### College of Southern Maryland Benny C. Morgan Series Hannah Baslee, Mezzo-Soprano Saturday, November 19, 8:00 pm **Leonardtown Campus** Building A. Auditorium 22950 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown Free Admission



As a teacher, Hannah's primary goal is to inspire her students, as she herself has been inspired over the years. Hannah works hard to help her students achieve excellence in technique and musicianship, while also ensuring a fun and trusting environment. In addition to serving on the Voice Faculty at Cardon Studios, Hannah is an Adjunct Professor at the College of Southern Maryland. A passionate fan of choral singing, Hannah performs with The 18th Street

Singers, well as with the early music ensemble Illuminare, and as a staff musician at The Ascension of St. Agnes in Washington, DC. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

#### Port Tobacco Players Irving Berlin's White Christmas

Buy Tickets Now!

November 25 - December 18 Thursdays, December 8 and 15, 8:00 pm

Fridays, Saturdays, 8:00 pm

Sundays, 3:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Tickets: \$18 Adults; \$15 Seniors (60+), Military, Youth to 18

#### **CCAA Member Organizations & Businesses**

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Based on the beloved, timeless film, this heartwarming musical adaptation features seventeen 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. White Christmas is an uplifting musical for the whole family! For more information, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819.

# Henry E. Lackey High School United States Navy Band The Commodores

Monday, November 28, 7:00 pm 3000 Chicamuxen Road, Indian Head Free Admission



Jazz is America's music and the U.S. Navy Band Commodores, the Navy's premier jazz ensemble, have been performing the very best of big band jazz for the Navy and the nation for over 40 years. Formed in 1969, this 18-member group continues the jazz big band legacy with some of the finest musicians in the world. For more information, call the school at 301-743-5431.

#### Port Tobacco Players

Auditions for Ages 17 and Up for *Company* Monday, Wednesday, November 28, 30, 7:00 pm Saturday, December 3, 9:00 am

508 Charles Street, La Plata



Company is Stephen Sondheim's compelling, funny and heartfelt musical about love and marriage. To audition: prepare 16-32 bars of a musical theater song (not one from Company, though). An accompanist is provided; bring sheet music in the correct key. No singing along to recordings or a cappella auditions. Cold readings will follow. Performance dates: Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, March 10 - April 2, 2017. For more information, contact the producer, Ann Marie Watson, at amwatson77@gmail.com, or go to <a href="https://www.ptplayers.com/audition-announcement.html">https://www.ptplayers.com/audition-announcement.html</a>.

# College of Southern Maryland Bringing It Home Barbershop Concert

Friday, December 2, 8:00 pm La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre 8730 Mitchell Road. La Plata

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

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Why Not Join Us Now?



Southern Mix is a men's barbershop chorus that rehearses and performs on CSM's La Plata Campus. Membership is open to community members throughout Southern Maryland and music majors studying for credit.

Buy Tickets Now!

Click <u>here</u> for the downloadable form to join or renew by mail.

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 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.

#### The Newtowne Players

CSM

#### Holmes for the Holidays or the Game's Afoot

December 2 - 18

Thursdays, Fridays, Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sundays, 3:30 pm

Three Notch Theatre

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park

Tickets: \$15 Adult; \$12 Senior/Student/Military; \$10 Child



It is Christmas Eve, 1936. William Gillette, an actor famous for his portrayal of Sherlock Holmes, has invited his fellow cast-members to his Connecticut castle for a weekend of revelry. But when one of the guests is stabbed to death, the festivities in this isolated house of tricks and mirrors quickly turn dangerous. Then it's up to Gillette himself, as he assumes the persona of his beloved Holmes, to track down the killer before the next victim appears. This glittering whodunit has murder, infidelity, wit, and surprises-something for everyone. For more information, call 301-737-5447.

# Mind Your Business Seminar: Financial and Legal Education for Maryland's Creatives

Saturday, December 3, 2016, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm Charles County Government Building 200 Baltimore Street, La Plata, MD 20646 Free Admission!



Free seminar on financial and legal issues affecting artists, presented by PNC Bank, Maryland Volunteer Lawyers for the Art, Maryland Citizens for the Arts, the Charles County Government and the Charles County Arts Alliance. This event is a state-wide opportunity, directed at artists in all media of the arts (literary, visual, and performance), to provide guidance and legal advice on cash flow, copyright laws, insurance, banking and other issues unique to protecting the rights of artists. Register at info@mdarts.org or call 410-467-6700.

College of Southern Maryland

Big Band Holiday Jazz Concerts

Tickets: \$5 in advance, \$7 day of concert

Buy Tickets Now!

December 3, 8:00 pm La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre, 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

December 5, 7:30 pm Leonardtown Campus, 22950 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown



Solid Brass, directed by Randy Runyon, is CSM's jazz ensemble, comprised of CSM students, local high school students, community members, and professional musicians. This December, Solid Brass will present its Holiday Concert at both the La Plata and Prince Frederick campuses. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7878.

#### Town of La Plata

#### Olde Tyme Holiday Gathering

Sunday, December 4, 3:00 - 6:00 pm

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

Free Admission



The sounds and spirit of the season bring friends and neighbors together for an afternoon of good cheer. Join in for holiday music, activities, refreshments, and a visit from Santa!

#### **Event Schedule:**

- Lighting Ceremony 3:10 pm
- Horse Drawn Carriage Rides 3:30 pm to 5 pm

#### **Activities in the Tent:**

- The Balloon Nerd 3:00 to 5:00 pm. Be sure to see The Balloon Nerd. He will be making fun holiday balloons for you to wear and take home
- Crafts for children 3:00 to 5:15 pm
- Story time with the Charles County Public Library 3:30 pm and 4:30 pm
- "Meet and Greet" with Holiday Characters Gracie's Guys and Gals Show Troupe - 4:00 - 5:00 pm

#### **Entertainment in the Council Chamber:**

- Peace Ringers 3:20 pm -3:45 pm
- La Plata United Methodist Church Cherubs and Crimson Angels 4:00 to 4:15 pm
- Southern Mix Barbershop Chorus 4:35 to 5:05 pm
- Holiday Sing-Along 5:15 pm (outside)

SANTA ARRIVES - 5:30 pm!

For more information, call 301-934-8421.

#### The Newtowne Players Auditions

#### Over the River and Through the Woods

Monday, December 5, 6:30 pm Wednesday, December 7, 6:30 pm

Call Backs, Saturday, December 10, 10:30 am

### Three Notch Theatre Lobby 21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park



Synopsis: Nick is a single Italian-American guy from New Jersey. His parents retired and moved to Florida. That doesn't mean his family isn't still in Jersey. In fact, he sees both sets of grandparents every Sunday for dinner. This is his routine until he has to tell them that he's been offered a dream job. The job he's been waiting for - marketing executive - that would take him away from his beloved, but annoying grandparents. He tells them. The news doesn't sit so well. Thus begins a series of schemes to keep Nick around. Auditions will be cold readings from the script. Performance dates are April 21 - May 7, 2017. For more

Buy Tickets Now!

information and the list of characters,

visit http://www.newtowneplayers.org/auditions.html.

#### College of Southern Maryland Dance Ensemble

Winter Nights

Monday, December 5, 7:30 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$5 in Advance; \$7 Day of the Performance



Whether it's a Balanchine ballet or breaking, locking, and popping, CSM's Dance Ensemble performs a variety of pieces to appeal to all lovers of dance. Directed by Joanne Lunsford, the dance ensemble presents two performances each year, which may include traditional ballet alongside modern styles such as hip hop, contemporary, and jazz dance. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

#### College of Southern Maryland Music Student Honors Recitals.

Thursday, December 8, 2:30 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre, 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata Free Admission



CSM's best students perform at a public recital each semester. The recitals feature a variety of styles from classical instrumental and vocal solos to contemporary vocal and guitar performances that represent the highest level of musicianship. The recitals take place during CSM's afternoon activity

period in the La Plata Campus Theatre. For more information, call the Box Office 301-934-7828.

#### Chesapeake Choral Arts Society A Renaissance Christmas

Peace Lutheran Church, 11610 Rubina Place, Waldorf



Thursday, December 8, 7:30 pm, Concert Only Donations Accepted, Benefits Peace Lutheran Church

Saturday, December 10, 6:30 pm
Dinner and Performance
Limited Seating, Order Your Tickets Online Now!
Tickets: \$30 Adult;
\$25 Students, Senior,
Military

- Full course, single visit buffet dinner
- Concert Performance
- Period Dress
- Singing, Dancing, and Merriment

Sunday, December 11, Concert and Dessert \$15 Adults; \$12 Students, Senior, Military. Call to Reserve Tickets.

Performers will appear in period dress. For more information, call 301-642-0594.

# College of Southern Maryland Chorale and Chamber Choir

Friday, December 9, 8:00 pm La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Buy Tickets Now!



CSM's Chorale is a mixed choir of women's and men's voices that performs a variety of styles, including traditional and modern choral music, gospel music, contemporary popular music, and historical styles such as the madrigal. Membership is open to all without audition. The Chamber

Choir is open to music majors and others who audition for membership. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

#### Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation Call for Film Submissions

Deadline to Submit: December 9, 2016



Apply now for the opportunity to take your film on the road with Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation's film touring program. All-expense-paid tours connect filmmakers with new audiences across the mid-Atlantic

region. *On Screen/In Person* provides opportunities for independent filmmakers to tour throughout the mid-Atlantic region with their recent films and foster greater understanding and appreciation of their work through direct audience engagement. Film submission is free and is open nationwide to filmmakers! Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more about the program, eligibility requirements, and connect to the online application.

Want to become a host site and meet the filmmakers, present the films and engage your community? Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more about the program. Contact Kimberly Steinle-Super at Kimberly@midatlanticarts.org for more information.

#### Christmas at Mt. Aventine

Saturday - Sunday, December 10 - 11, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

#### Chapman State Park, 3452 Ferry Place, Indian Head Donation of \$5 per Vehicle Suggested



Traditional decorations, music, mansion tours, and more. For more information, visit www.friendsofchapmansp.org.

#### Watermelon, Inc.

#### Christmas Show

Friday - Saturday, December 16 - 17, 7:00 pm College of Southern Maryland Leonardtown Campus Building A Auditorium, 22950 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown Tickets: \$5 at the Door, Children 12 and under are FREE



The Watermelon, Inc. Choir and children from the local community present an evening of Christmas carols and other songs that are sure to lift your spirits. Santa will make a visit, too! For more information, go to www.watermeloninc.org, or email watermelon@watermeloninc.org.

#### Watermelon One-Act Festival Call for Script Submissions! Deadline to Apply: February 14, 2017



The Baltimore Regional Watermelon Representative for The Dramatists Guild of America will be one of the One-Act Festival adjudicators for the Watermelon One-Act Festival (WOAF) hosted by St.

Mary's College of Maryland on June 3-4, 2017. Given this special opportunity to receive professional feedback on original works, WOAF will consider original script submissions that have been shown in past WOAF festivals.

Playwrights, this is a special opportunity to submit your best short plays! Preference will be given to plays less than 30-minutes running time and with a committed director. For more information about The Dramatists Guild of America, go to <a href="http://www.dramatistsguild.com">http://www.dramatistsguild.com</a>. For more information about the festival, visit <a href="https://www.watermeloninc.org">www.watermeloninc.org</a>.

#### VISUAL ARTS (top)

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



## Deadline to Submit Extended to November 25, 2016 Theme is "Artists Choice"

The Charles County Arts Alliance is now accepting submissions for the Winter Art Show, a multi-media public exhibit, to be held at the Waldorf West Library, 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD, from January 9 - April 8, 2017. The Library consists of four separate gallery spaces on two floors.

Current members of the Charles County Arts Alliance are invited to submit a maximum of two works of art on any subject, to the Alliance for consideration (there is no submission fee). Nonmembers are encouraged to join and be eligible to submit their art.

Artwork entries must be submitted electronically as digital images (jpegs) attached to an email sent to waldorfwestgallery@gmail.com. Please reference "Waldorf West Winter 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
- o Medium/materials used
- Size/dimensions
- Year created
- Price, if applicable

Arts Alliance members 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 December. All artwork must be wired and ready to hang at time of delivery.

On Saturday, January 14, 2017, 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 winter show.

For more information, contact the CCAA office at 301-392-5900, or

info@charlescountyarts.org

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



#### **Charles County Government Commissioners Building**

Solo Show by Ernest Sinnes, through January 11, 2017 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 April 19, 2017
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: Saturday, Ma

"Meet the Artists" Public Reception: Saturday, March 25, 2017, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm

#### Community Bank of the Chesapeake

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

New show opens on November 18, 2016, through March 10, 2017!

#### University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical

#### Center

Solo Show by David Zippi, through January 12, 2017 5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646 Gallery hours: Daily, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

#### **Waldorf West Library**

Multi-Artist Show, through January 7, 2017 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 Galleries, 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 <a href="https://www.mattawomanart.org">www.mattawomanart.org</a>.

Admission is Free for MCAC Visitors! Inform the Park Ranger when entering the Park.

Click <u>HERE</u> for the Fall Brochure and Information on Early Bird Registration Discounts!

#### Mattawoman Creek Art Center

#### Open Studio

Fridays, Now through December 9, 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.

#### MCAC Holiday Tea

Sunday, November 20, 1:00 - 4:00 pm Free, Donations Appreciated



Enjoy scrumptious delights and shop their Holiday Show.

#### Wreath Design Class

Sunday, December 4, 1:00 - 4:00 pm Fee: \$40 Members / \$50 Nonmembers

Instructor: Bryan Swann

Materials cost of \$30 paid to the instructor



Learn how to make a beautiful wreath for your front door with evergreens you can cut from your yard. Bryan Swann will demonstrate how to make a wreath from scratch using a mixture of evergreens including pines, firs, magnolia, boxwood and other seasonal evergreens. You will then be able to enhance a pre-constructed base wreath with other evergreens, adornments, flowers, ribbon and cones. Everyone will leave with a beautiful wreath you will take pride in hanging on your

front door. Class limited to twelve people.

#### Mattawoman Creek Art Center Holiday Salon

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

Come shop for beautiful and unique presents for the holidays!



#### National Gallery of Art

# Picture This! Home Sweet Home: American Life through the Ages

Tours for People with Low Vision or Who Are Blind Wednesday, November 23, and Saturday, November 26, 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)



A Pastoral Visit by Richard Norris Brooke

Picture This tours incorporate vibrant verbal description with information about works of art. Tours meet at 1:00 pm by the information desk 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.

# College of Southern Maryland Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery

Gregory T. Davis: Impermanence of Knowledge

Now through December 8 La Plata Fine Arts Center 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

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

Saturday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm



Gregory T. Davis is an artist living and working in Lexington, KY. He received his BFA in art studio from the University of Kentucky in 2002, and his MFA in photography in 2006. He works in different media, including photography, sculpture, and bookmaking. For his photographic work, his preferred material is film and large format cameras. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/visual-arts/hungerford-gallery/index.">http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/visual-arts/hungerford-gallery/index.</a>

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

Tour on Sunday, December 11, 1:00 pm
East Building, 4th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW,
Washington, DC (use the Mall entrance or 6th and Constitution
Avenue 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 East 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.

Beginning January 7, 2017, ASL Family Tours will be offered on the first Saturday of each month at 11:00 am. For more information, go to <a href="https://www.nga.gov">www.nga.gov</a> and click on <a href="mailto:Calendar">Calendar</a> or contact Lorena Baines at access@nga.gov or 202-842-6905.

#### **Charles County Public Library**

#### Calling All Artists for the Mobile Library!

Deadline to Submit: December 30, 8:00 pm



The Library is looking for high-quality graphics fitting the theme of learning, discovery and technology to use on their new mobile library (debut date: April 2017). If you have design talent, submit your art for the mobile library to marketing@ccplonline.org in a .tiff, .jpg or .psd format, no later than December 30, 2016, at 8:00 pm. Include your name and your contact information to be notified if your art is chosen to

decorate their vehicle. All art that is submitted MUST be original and uncopyrighted. For more information, go

to https://ccplonline.org/services/mobilelibrary.

#### LITERARY ARTS [top]

Life Journeys Writers Guild, Inc.

#### **Nuts & Bolts Gathering**

Saturday, November 19, 2016, 2:00 - 4:30 pm

The Legends Club, Blue Crabs Stadium, 11765 St. Linus Drive, Waldorf

Free Admission



Listen and critique some great reads from LJWG members, gain valuable industry news, networking and more. This Nuts & Bolts will feature a surprise guest! Come and see what they do. Great refreshments/cash bar. For more information, go to <a href="https://www.lifejourneyswritersguild.org">www.lifejourneyswritersguild.org</a> or contact Yvonne Medley at 240-545-(LJWG) 5594.

## College of Southern Maryland Connections Literary Series

"Connections" Literary Magazine Publication Reading

Friday, December 2, 7:30 pm

La Plata Campus Center for Business and Industry (BI) Building Dr. John M. Sine Conference Room (Room 103)

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Free Admission



Contributors to the Fall 2016 "Connections" Literary Magazine will read and discuss their published works.

For more information, go to <a href="http://www.csmd.edu/community/connections-literary-series">http://www.csmd.edu/community/connections-literary-series</a>.

Spring 2016

## Charles County Public Library Call for Authors

Deadline to Submit: December 15, 2016; 8:00 pm Reception: February 18, 2017, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf



Local authors (currently living in Southern MD) who would like to have their work featured at the Author's Reception should submit a copy of their book (it will be returned at the author's request after the event or it can be added to the library's circulating collection) to Sarah Guy, Program Coordinator, at the any Charles County Public Library branch.

All items submitted will be reviewed by CCPL's Acquisitions Department to verify the submission meets library minimum standards. Authors must include contact information and must be able to attend the Author's Reception on February 18, 2017. Authors will present a brief (2 - 3 minute) overview of their book and will be able to sell copies to the public. For more information, contact Sarah Guy at 301-645-1395, ext. 417, or SGuy@ccplonline.org.

# Charles County Library Programs For November/December 2016



Get a copy of the November/December brochure to see all the programs available at your local libraries. There are art classes, computer classes, book discussions for all ages, movies, 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,

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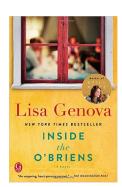
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Adult Discussion Book Groups

#### **Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group**

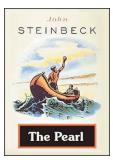
Meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month from 11:00 am - 12:00 noon, at the Senior Center, 100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head. Call 301-375-7375 for more information.



November 23: Inside the O'Briens by Lisa Genova. Joe O'Brien is a 43-year-old police officer from the Irish Catholic neighborhood of Charlestown, Massachusetts. A devoted husband, proud father of four children in their twenties, and respected officer, Joe begins experiencing bouts of disorganized thinking, uncharacteristic temper outbursts, and strange, involuntary movements. He initially attributes these episodes to the stress of his job, but as these symptoms worsen, he agrees to see a neurologist and is handed a diagnosis that will change his and his family's lives forever: Huntington's disease.

#### 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.

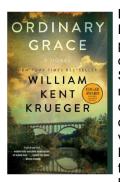


**December 1:** The Pearl by John Steinbeck. Like his father and grandfather before him, Kino is a poor diver, gathering pearls from the gulf beds that once brought great wealth to the Kings of Spain and now provide Kino, Juana, and their infant son with meager subsistence. Then, on a day like any other, Kino emerges from the sea with a pearl as large as a sea gull's egg, as "perfect as the moon." With the pearl comes hope, the promise of comfort and of security. A story of classic simplicity, based on a Mexican folk tale, The Pearl explores the secrets of man's nature, the darkest depths of evil, and the luminous possibilities of

love.

#### 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.



**December 3: Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger.** New Bremen, Minnesota, 1961. The Twins were playing their debut season, ice-cold root beers were selling out at the soda counter of Halderson's Drugstore, and Hot Stuff comic books were a mainstay on every barbershop magazine rack. It was a time of innocence and hope for a country with a new, young president. But for thirteen-year-old Frank Drum it was a grim summer in which death visited frequently and assumed many forms. Accident. Nature. Suicide. Murder. Told from Frank's perspective forty years after that fateful summer, *Ordinary Grace* is a brilliantly moving account of a boy standing at the door of

his young manhood, trying to understand a world that seems to be falling apart around him. It is an unforgettable novel about discovering the terrible price of wisdom and the enduring grace of God.

#### 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.



December 8: The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah. France, 1939. In the quiet village of Carriveau, Vianne Mauriac says goodbye to her husband, Antoine, as he heads for the Front. She doesn't believe that the Nazis will invade France ... but invade they do. When a German captain requisitions Vianne's home, she and her daughter must live with the enemy or lose everything. Vianne's sister, Isabelle, is a rebellious eighteen-year-old girl, searching for purpose with all the reckless passion of youth. With courage, grace and powerful insight, bestselling author Kristin Hannah captures the epic panorama of WWII and illuminates an intimate part of

history seldom seen: the women's war. *The Nightingale* tells the stories of two sisters, separated by years and experience, by ideals, passion and circumstance, each embarking on her own dangerous path toward survival, love, and freedom in German-occupied, war-torn France--a heartbreakingly beautiful novel that celebrates the resilience of the human spirit and the durability of women.

#### COMMUNITY ARTS (top)

Community Senior Centers
Get the <u>SCOOP</u> 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 November copy of *The SCOOP*, Charles County's Senior Center News, or click here to go to their website.

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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.