

The Arts Insider

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"Mind Your Business" Legal / Financial Workshop for Artists a Great Success!

CCAA-Hosted Seminar Attracts 94 Artists Statewide







On September 28, 2013, the Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) hosted "Mind Your Business," a free legal / financial planning workshop for performing, visual and literary artists across Southern Maryland.

The popular three-hour seminar took place at the beautiful Waldorf West Library surrounded by artworks from our gallery show, "Horticulture."

To our delight, it was attended by 94 artists – not just our neighbors in Southern Maryland, but from all four regions of the state, and West Virginia! The workshop was sponsored by PNC Bank, produced by Maryland Citizens for the Arts (CCAA is a proud member), and presented by members of Maryland Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts. Topics included: Insuring Your Work, Legal Start-Up Issues, Business Banking, Merchant Services, and Copyright.

The presentations were lively, relevant, and very well received by those in attendance. There were many questions and comments from the audience. The feedback from workshop participants was extremely positive, and interest was expressed in having a follow-on workshop in the future to continue to learn more about these important subjects.

Our special thanks go to the workshop sponsor, Franklin McNeil, Jr., (PNC Bank); the producer, John Schratwieser (Maryland Citizens for the Arts); the presenters, Bob Middleton (Maury, Donnelly, Parr), Cynthia Sanders (Ober/Kaler), Michelle Pope (PNC Bank), Basile Aziagbe (PNC Bank); and our venue partners, Emily Ferren (Charles County Public Library), Janet Salazar (Waldorf West Library), and the Waldorf West staff for their strong support of this outstanding event. And of course, thanks to all CCAA Board members, staff and friends that assisted in our hosting duties. You are the best!

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President's Letter

Dear Members and Friends,



Welcome to fall, one of the busiest seasons for the Arts Alliance! But first, I want recognize some recent accomplishments.

Congratulations to the CCAA
Gallery Committee for a project
well done at the "Meet the
Artists" Public Reception held
on September 7! CCAA Board

members and friends are also due a hearty thanks for the display of artwork at the County Fair! Over 400 artworks had to be hung in one evening for the judging the next day. And, thanks to the CCAA Board members and the many volunteers who helped with the setup and staffed the CCAA tables for four days!

We were thrilled to see over 94 people attend the "Mind Your Business" free legal/financial seminar, a four-way partnership among the CCAA, PNC Bank, Maryland Citizens for the Arts, and Maryland Lawyers for the Arts held at the Waldorf West Library on September 28.

Looking ahead, next up is the La Plata Fall Festival on Sunday, October 13. Hope you can attend and stop by the CCAA tent. Also during this month, the CCAA continues to work hard as the Grant Panel meets to determine the awarding of FY 2014 funds to local nonprofit organizations and schools. The grants will be formally presented on Saturday, November 23, at our CCAA Annual Grantee and Membership Gala.

Next month, we will share the news about the Kris Kringle Christmas Market being held at the Charles County Fairgrounds on December 6-7. This is a new event for Charles County and we are excited to be participating! The CCAA is pleased to be presenting a "Holiday Arts Faire" in the P.D. Brown Building - stay tuned for more details soon!

And, finally, I am happy to announce the newest Board member, Cecelia Keller. Cecelia is an attorney in

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Waldorf, and served on the CCAA Board of Directors many years ago. Welcome back, Cecelia!

Enjoy the cooler weather and the colorful leaves of autumn!

Robert K. Rausch CCAA President

Cecelia Keller, Director



Cecelia likes to consider herself a lifelong resident of Charles County, even though she was three years old when her parents moved to Port Tobacco in 1962. She relocated to Waldorf when she married her husband,

John, in 1981. They have two children, Elizabeth and John, Jr., and they own their own business, Keller & Keller, attorneys-at-law, located in the first model home park for St. Charles.

Cecelia graduated in 1977 from La Plata High School, 1981 from the University of Maryland, College Park, and 1988 from the University of Baltimore Law School. She was the first instructor for Paralegal Studies at the College of Southern Maryland in 1992-1993, and served on the Board of Directors for Physicians Memorial Hospital Foundation in 1992.

She is a past president of the Charles County Bar Association and American Association of University Women, the organization responsible for the county's first International Festival. She currently serves as a Trustee for the Client Protection Fund of the Bar of Maryland.

Some of her fondest arts-related activities include marching in the Terps Marching Band, playing clarinet with the Clarinet Choir at UMD, and performing with the Southern Maryland Concert Band under the direction of Robert Rausch.



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More from the "Mind Your Business" Legal/Financial Workshop































Arts Alive and Thriving at Charles County Fair 2013!

CCAA Supported Visual and Performing Artists, and Sponsored Queen Nicotina Candidate!







The arts were alive and thriving at this year's Charles County Fair, and the Charles County Arts Alliance helped to make it happen!

Charles County Fair 2013 was held September 12-15 at the Fairgrounds south of La Plata, and was attended by over 50,000 visitors, making it the most popular outdoor festival in Charles County. For the past two decades, the Charles County Arts Alliance has assisted in checking-in, hanging, supervising, and checking-out the artworks at the P.D. Brown Fine Arts Building over the four-day period of the Fair.

This year's Fair had over 400 adult and youth artworks on display, so this was no easy task! It all began the day before the Fair opened, on September 11. After all the artworks were registered and dropped off, CCAA Board members and friends worked tirelessly into the wee hours (until 1:45 am!) to carefully hang the artworks by category, ensure all were safe and sound on the walls, and prepare for judging the following day. Due to the increasing popularity of visual art and digital photography, our display space was very tight. In some cases, the categories were almost frame-to-frame with artworks!

Once the Fair opened on Thursday night, CCAA volunteers worked three-hour shifts nonstop over the duration of the Fair, and handled final check-out on Sunday evening. One of the highlights of this year was the live demonstration on Sunday afternoon by CCAA member and artist Terry Alo using her potter's wheel to create 3-D clay artworks in real-time, which attracted crowds of interested onlookers.



The CCAA had a nice, bright lime-green membership table and large banner on display as well. Volunteers greeted fair-goers and distributed our free CCAA "arts bags" filled with brochures, flyers and promotional items to introduce everyone to the broad and diverse arts community we have here in Charles County. We also sold ice-cold bottles of MyCause Water as a mini-fundraiser.

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CCAA at the 2013 Charles County Fair!

In addition to the visual arts, the CCAA promoted the performing arts at the County Fair as well. As part of our ongoing partnership with the Charles County Fair Board, the CCAA provided financial support for the following musical entertainment lineup on three different stages this year: Ray Owen, Port Tobacco Pickers, Country Memories, Southbound Band, Stone Pleasure Band, Southern Mix Men's Barbershop Chorus, Wayward Street Players, and Southern Maryland Jazz Orchestra.

We also sponsored a beautiful, smart and talented young lady for Queen Nicotina, Maryn Fuller, a senior at Henry E. Lackey High School. Although she did not win, she was selected as a princess and served in the Queen's Court, greeting crowds throughout the County Fair. Congratulations Maryn, we are so proud of you!

Thanks to all our CCAA County Fair volunteers again this year for a job exceedingly well done!





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Maryland State Senator Thomas "Mac" Middleton, center, helps CCAA promote MyCause Water.







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CCAA Distributes 500 Arts Bags at the County Fair!

On Friday, September 6, Spring Dell Center Vocational Program Supervisor Ann Davis and volunteers Nolan Wilder and Doris Hagens, joined Charles County Arts Alliance Board members Mark Walker, Shane Seremet, Kathy and Roy Jenkins, Cindy Johnson, Lorina Griffioen-Harris and her daugther Thirza Harris, as well as CCAA Staffer Judy Crawford, to assemble 500 Arts Bags for the 2013 Charles County Fair. CCAA received a large assortment of promotional items from local arts businesses and organizations and set up shop to "stuff" bags with all the goodies. The bags were delivered to the County Fair's P.D. Brown Fine Arts Building to be handed out to visitors during the CCAA-sponsored annual art show.



Thousands of Fairgoers strolled through the Fine Arts Building, where over 400 pieces of artwork were on display. Artists as young as five years old submitted works in oils, pastels, acrylics, photos, sculptures, and mixed media. This was a juried event, with many entries receiving ribbons and cash prizes for their entries.

The Charles County Arts Alliance is grateful to all the helpers who stuffed the 500 bags, all the organizations who contributed their promotional items, and all the wonderful artists who shared their talents! The 2013 Charles County Fair Fine Arts Show was the best ever!



Left to right: Nolan Wilder, Ann Davis, Thirza Harris, Mark Walker, Shane Seremet, Cindy Johnson, and Lorina Griffioen-Harris work diligently to stuff 500 Arts Bags.



Spring Dell Center Vocational Program Supervisor Ann Davis, right, works with Nolan Wilder during the annual CCAA Arts Bags Stuffing Day.



Left to Right: Spring Den Center Vocational Program Supervisor Ann Davis, Thirza Harris, CCAA Board Member Lorina Griffioen-Harris, and CCAA Secretary/Treasurer Cindy Johnson organize stacks of promotional items for bag stuffing.



Foreground left: CCAA Board Member Mark Walker inserts flyers about the free "Mind Your Business" legal/financial workshop.



CCAA Board Member Lorina Griffioen-Harris (center)works with Spring Dell volunteer Doris Hagens (right) to stuff bags.



CCAA Board member Kathleen Jenkins prepares the boxes of bags to take to the Fair.



"Meet The Artists" Public Reception Held September 7 at Waldorf West Library



CCAA's Gallery Committee, left to right: Lorina Harris, Amy Jones, Gale Kladitis (Chair), Cindi Barnhart, Vicki Marckel, Janet Salazar, and Nancy Owens. Not pictured: Theresa Alo, Shanese Hirmas and Joseph Wimberly.

The Charles County Arts Alliance held its second "Meet the Artists" Public Reception at the beautiful Waldorf West Library on Saturday, September 7, 2013. This was our opportunity to celebrate 23 Charles County artists and their 39 artworks displayed in four gallery spaces on two floors at the library. This exhibition was devoted to the "Horticulture" theme, and took place over a three-month period from July – September 2013.

The main gallery conference room had a festive and elegant flare, with light refreshments, fresh flower centerpieces, bright fuchsia tablecloths, classical instrumental music, and our CCAA logo featured prominently on the three plasma TV screens throughout the reception. Our Guest Book and Artist Book were available for signing and perusing, and a brief ceremony was held to publicly recognize the 23 Charles County artists before our local citizens with individual CCAA certificates of appreciation: Theresa Alo, Cindi Barnhart, Patricia Biles, Jennifer Curtis, Sabrina Curtis, John D'Alessandro, Cecelia Dunay, Gale Euchner, Gary Frick, Jo Ann Gilhooly, Lorina Harris, Shanese Hirmas, Mary Kercher, Mary Ellen King-Miller, Vicki Marckel, Joy Mbonu-Ike, Matthew McElhaney, Nancy Owens, Norita Park, Dara Ramey, Annabel Russell, Rodney Thompson, and Lauren VanSickle.

Congratulations and thanks again to the members of our CCAA Gallery Committee for another successful exhibition, our third since Waldorf West Library opened in November 2012: Gale Kladitis (Chair), Theresa Alo, Cindi Barnhart, Lorina Harris, Shanese Hirmas, Amy Jones, Vicki Marckel, Nancy Owens, Janet Salazar, and Joseph Wimberly.

And our very special thanks to Emily Ferren, Director of the Charles County Public Library, and Janet Salazar, Branch Manager of Waldorf West Library, for their enthusiastic and steadfast support of our efforts to ensure that the visual arts have a beautiful new "home" in Waldorf at the Waldorf West Library!

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More from the "Meet the Artists" Reception





























New Exhibition Opens at Waldorf West Library Gallery



Fall Theme is "Artist's Choice"

The Charles County Arts Alliance proudly presents the fourth public, multi-media art exhibit at the new Waldorf West Library. Forty-two artworks from local artists are on display from October 3 – December 31, 2013. The Waldorf West Library Gallery consists of four separate gallery spaces on two floors.

Artists were invited to submit up to two pieces on any topic or medium. Gale Kladitis, CCAA Vice President and Chair of the Gallery Committee, stated, "I look forward to seeing a great crowd at our next "Meet the Artists" Public Reception to be held on Saturday, December 14, 2013, from 2:00 - 4:00 pm."

The twenty-two artists chosen for the fall show are:

Theresa Alo Lorina Griffioen-Harris

Cindi Barnhart Doris Hall

Patricia Biles Jeremy Harpold Aimee Bonnet **Shanese Hirmas** Patrick Burke Euodia Jorai Erin Doyle Vicki Marckel Cecelia Dunay **Nancy Owens** Gale Euchner Annabel Russell Don Faust **Shon Simpson** Nikole Smith Betty Fuqua Jo Ann Gilhooly Keri Williams

For more information on the Waldorf West Gallery, the Charles County Arts Alliance and joining its membership, call the CCAA office at 301-392-5900.

CCAA News

CCAA Sponsors Two Solo Artist Shows at Local Galleries

Theresa Alo at the Charles County Government Commissioners' Gallery



Theresa Alo graduated from Alfred University College of Ceramics in 1989 with a Bachelor's in Fine Arts. Continuing her education, she graduated in 1994 from Gallaudet University with a Masters of Arts Degree, from Trinity College in 1996 with her Administrative Degree, and

from the College of Notre Dame of Maryland in 2003 with an Educational Specialist Degree in Leadership. In 2010, she completed her Doctoral Degree from the College of Notre Dame of Maryland, contributing to the field of Arts Education through her research

entitled, The Effect of Visual



Arts Education on At-Risk Students' Critical Thinking Skills and the Maryland English II High School Assessment, where she uncovered empirical evidence of the value of visual arts education. Dr. Alo has always created

her own artworks, but with her education completed, she is now concentrating on new bodies of work that are reflections of her life experiences. Her goal is to have the viewer experience similar emotions that she encountered through the piece of art. She has

been employed with the Charles County Board of Education for the past 23 years as a high school arts teacher. She currently holds the position of Fine Arts Department Chair at North Point High School in Waldorf, Maryland.



Nancy Owens at the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center

Nancy Owens was born in La Plata, MD, and graduated from La Plata High School. After retiring in 1990 from the Naval Base in Indian Head, she felt the need to do something artistic, so she took classes and did quilting and machine embroidery designs for ten years. After accomplishing everything she wanted to do in



sewing, she decided to learn how to paint. Nancy started taking classes with various local groups and national organizations in oils, acrylics, watercolor, and pen and ink.



One of Nancy's favorite experiences in painting was having her Christmas ornament selected to be on the 2004 White House Christmas tree. The following year, Nancy painted an

ornament for the Library of Congress Christmas tree. It was a book representing the state of Maryland. She also painted her interpretation of Romaine Brooks "La Baronne Emile D 'Erlanger" ca. 1924 hanging in the

Renwick Gallery for The Gallery's Holiday Tree.

Nancy has won many awards including Best of Show many times at the Charles County Fair and the Richard R. Clark Senior Center. She is

presently pursuing fine art, painting mostly in oils.





The Generational Shift: Creating New Approaches to Leadership, Funding, and Audience Participation in the Arts

Wednesday, October 30, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm Howard County Center for the Arts, 8510 High Ridge Road, Ellicott City, MD 21043

The Maryland Citizens for the Arts (MCA) second annual capacity building conference for arts professionals and artists offers an opportunity to explore solutions to the challenges of an already occurring shift in generational demographics. Participants will look at this shift through the following three lenses:

- Approaches to organizational leadership and governance
- Trends in philanthropy and in earned income
- · Changes in audience participation

ArtsLAB was created to engage administrators, artists, trustees, patrons, staff, volunteers, educators, and parents in considering the future of our arts sector, and to ensure that we are the strongest stewards possible of public and private investment.

ArtsLAB is a participatory laboratory (not a "sit-and-listen" conference) that invites you to be a thought leader and be ready to share your perspectives, your insights, your best and novel practices, and actively participate in dialogue with your colleagues!

The agenda includes:

- Coffee! (and other things to keep your stomach from growling)
- Keynote Speech
- An interactive panel discussion with members of the Maryland arts sector that will explore ideas about generational shifts with each other and the audience.
- A networking lunch -- Eat, work, talk, brainstorm, and prep for the afternoon.
- Afternoon breakout sessions Led by facilitators ready with questions and exercises that guide groups to new discoveries and solutions.
- A wrap up We will bring all three themes back together to share overall insights from the day that will impact your organization or projects moving forward?

Registration is just \$15 (20% discount for teams of three or more). Registration is limited to 120 people, and the slots will be filled in the order that registrations are received. MCA will create a waiting list. You must go through the ArtsLAB 2013 page to register with a Credit Card. (Call us if you need to pay by check, 410-467-6700.) The website is http://mdarts.org/news_events/artslab-2013-2.

MCA encourages organizations to send teams of at least three to this event. There will be a 20% discount for TEAMS. Please consider bringing someone newer to the field, someone mid-career, and a veteran of the arts to round out your team. Think of the impact that a team's multiple perspectives could have on capacity building for your organization, particularly when you consider our theme of "the generational shift."

Help us develop ArtsLAB – an annual capacity building event for Maryland's arts sector. We need your participation throughout the day; and, we need your sincere and thoughtful feedback. It will be critical to the growth and lasting impacts of this annual event.

CCAA News



Governor Martin O'Malley's P-20 Leadership Council Creates a Task Force on Arts Education in Maryland

On Monday, September 16, 2013, Governor Martin O'Malley's P-20 Leadership Council voted unanimously to create a statewide task force on arts education in Maryland schools. Dr. William E. (Brit) Kirwan, Chancellor of the University System of Maryland, made the initial motion to endorse and commented on the power of the arts in his life and the importance of the arts for all students. Co-chairing the task force will be nationally known sculptor and founder of Arts Education in Maryland Schools (AEMS) Alliance, Mary Ann Mears, and Dr. Jack Smith, Deputy Superintendent at the Maryland State Department of Education.

Governor O'Malley's commitment to arts education is longstanding, and he has been recognized nationally with the prestigious Public Leadership in Arts Award from Americans for the Arts. To continue Maryland's standing as a national leader in education, the Governor wants to ensure that all students have access to a quality education which includes dance, media arts, music, theatre, and visual art.

Council members commented on the critical importance of creativity and innovation in the workforce and the need for students to have a creative edge in order to be globally competitive. The P-20 Task Force on Arts Education will present the final report to the Governor and the Council in June 2014.



Sunday October 13 12 noon to 3:00 pm



La Plata Town Hall 305 Queen Anne Street La Plata, Maryland 20646

This family friendly event includes free activities for children of all ages, live

entertainment by the Sara Gray Band, craft vendors Moon Bounce, face painting, pedal cars, tractor rides and delicious food for sale. Be sure to stop by the CCAA tent and say "Hi!"

St. Charles Fall Festival for the Arts

Saturday, October 19, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm O'Donnell Lake, 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

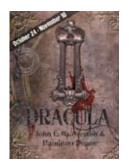


Join us for the inaugural St. Charles Fall Festival for the Arts. This free event promises fun for the whole family and indoor and outdoor activities for all ages!

- •Live music by USAF Band Max Impact
- •Farmers Market
- •Artist booths with work on display and for purchase from local artists
- •Rotary Club of St. Charles 60 mile bike ride starting at O'Donnell Lake
- •Veterans Benefits & Employment Fair at the West Library
- •Refreshments available for purchase For more information, visit http://www.stcharlesmd.com.

Performing Arts

Newtowne Players Present Dracula October 25 - November 10 Three Notch Theatre



Lucy Seward, whose father is the doctor in charge of an English sanatorium, has been attacked by some mysterious illness. Dr. Van Helsing, a specialist, believes the girl is the victim of a vampire, a sort of ghost that goes about at night sucking blood from its victims.

Tickets are \$15 General Admission; \$12 for Senior/Military/Students; \$10 for Children 12 and under and Thursday General Admission. For more information and to reserve tickets, visit http://www.newtowneplayers.org or call 301-737-5447.

Three Notch Theatre is located at 21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park, MD.

Henry E. Lackey High School Hosts *The Commodores* October 15, 6:30 pm Free Admission



The United States Navy's premier jazz band, the *Commodores*, will perform at Henry E. Lackey High School on October 15, at 6:30 pm. All jazz enthusiasts are

encouraged to attend and bring a friend. Henry E. Lackey High School is at located 3000 Chicamuxen Road, Indian Head, MD. For more information, visit the website at www.navyband.navy.mil.

Brian Ganz

Piano Recital, Friday, October 25, 7:30 pm Master Class, Saturday, October 26 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Christ Church, 112 East Charles Street, La Plata, MD 20646

Both events are free and open to the public.



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, often guiding listeners on a journey of discovery inside the composer's craft. The result is a new kind of listening experience in which great work s come to life

with insight and authentic emotional power.

The recital includes selections by Ludwig van Beethoven, Claude Debussy and Frédéric Chopin. During the Master Class, Mr. Ganz will coach three high school and three pre-high school students who have been selected by audition. He and flutist Lucy Snell will perform movements from the flute and piano transcription of Debussy's *Six Epigraphes Antiques*.

Sponsored jointly by Music Teachers Associations of Charles County, Southern Maryland and Prince George's County, with generous support from the Charles County Arts Alliance and the Maryland State Arts Council. Monetary donations will be gratefully accepted, and divided among the three associations.

For more information, contact Lucy Snell at www.lsnell. mtacc. org.



Performing Arts

Port Tobacco Players Present



October 4 - 20 Fridays - Saturdays, 8:00 pm, Sundays, 3:00 pm Tickets: \$17 for Adults, \$14 for Students/Seniors over 60/Military

This is the story of Tevye, a simple and loving milkman, who does everything he can to maintain his family and their religious traditions. But despite his best efforts, with five strong-willed daughters, a loyal yet independent wife and an ever-changing society, the safety and stability of his old world is disappearing. A journey of love, loss, faith and family, *Fiddler on the Roof* is a celebration of life and all its challenges.

The Woman in Black



October 25-November 3 Fridays, Saturdays at 8:00 pm, Sundays at 3:00 pm

Special Performances on Thursday, October 31, at 7:30 and 10:00 pm.

Arthur Kipps, a lawyer, has hired an actor to tutor him in recounting to family and friends a story that has long troubled him concerning events that transpired when he traveled to Eel Marsh House on the English Moors to settle the estate of Mrs. Alice Drablow, an elderly recluse. A chilling Ghost Story that will leave you searching the darkest shadows for *The Woman in Black*.

Tickets on sale now through the box office at 301-932-6819 or visit www.PTPlayers.org. Port Tobacco Players Theater, 508 Charles Street, La Plata, MD 20646.

College of Southern Maryland La Plata Fine Arts Center

Southern Maryland Concert Band Saturday, October 26, 8:00 pm \$5 in advance, \$7 day of concert



The Southern Maryland Concert Band (SMCB), under the direction of Michael Peerless, will continue its collaboration with CSM's music program in a pair of performances on the La

Plata Campus. The next concert will be held on May 3, 2014.

Faculty Music Showcases by CSM Faculty Tuesday, October 29, 7:30 pm \$5 in advance, \$7 day of concert



Each semester, CSM faculty musicians are joined by guest artists from the community for a showcase recital. This year's fall recital will feature a faculty trio and other chamber

groups in performances of the music of Beethoven and his contemporaries. The spring recital will be held March 25, 2014.

The College is located at 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata, MD. For more information and to order tickets, contact the box office at bxoffc@csmd.edu or call 301-934-7828.

Literary



Life Journeys Writers Club October Events

Write on Saturdays -- with a Twist!

October 12, 10:00 am - 7:00 pm Marriott Residence Inn 3020 Technology Place, Waldorf, MD 20601

Write on Wednesdays -- with a Twist!

October 16, 23 & 30. 5:00 - 8:00 pm Waldorf West Library 10405 O'Donnell Place Waldorf, Maryland 20603

Write on Saturdays and Wednesdays-- with a Twist!

are led by local author/journalist Yvonne J. Medley. These workshops are fun and intense, with private editor consultations, and there's food! There is a registration fee and space is limited, so register early!

Quarterly Gathering, Part I

Saturay, October 19, 2:15 - 4:45 pm Waldorf West Library 10405 O'Donnell Place Waldorf, MD 20603

On Saturday, meet us at the Library for an LJWC guest speaker, giving her personal literary testimony. There'll be questions to ask, answers to give, giveaways, promotion video premieres, networking, food and more! Also, find out how you can become a vibrant member of the LJWC, Inc., a nonprofit organization.

Quarterly Gathering, Part II

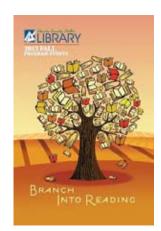
October 20, Sunday, 5-8 pm Busboys and Poets 1025 5th Street and K, NW Washington, DC 20001

The Life Journeys Writers Club's Big Quarterly Gathering, Part II, will host the *Jubi Stone: Saved by the Vine* Book Launch/Signing and Tribute to Domestic Violence Awareness Month! This is a public event!

Please join Author and LJWC Founder Yvonne J. Medley for this special event. There will be a dramatic performance, LJWC readings, special guests, food, music and more. Let's celebrate and shine a light on this important issue. Also find out how you can become a vibrant member of the LJWC, Inc., a nonprofit organization.

For more information and to register for all workshops and events, visit www.lifejourneyswritersclub.com, www.yvonnejmedley.com, or call Yvonne Medley at 301.705.8972.

Charles County Public Library Fall Reading Program Presents "Branch into Reading"



Sign up for games, storytime, movies, different activities every day! The Library offers a wide variety of programs for children from 18 months to 18 years. For more information and to sign up, go to http://www.ccplonline.org or call 301-645-1395.

Literary Arts

Book Discussion Groups

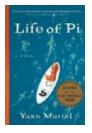


Every month Charles County Public Libraries offer book discus-

sions for adults. Anyone interested in joining may

Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Meets at 1:00 pm on the first Thursday of every month at the Clark Senior Center. Anyone interested in joining the group can call 301-934-9001 or email Phyllis Frere at pfrere@ccplonline.org for more information. The Center is located at 1210 Charles Street, La Plata, MD 20646.

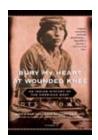


October 3: *Life of Pi by* Yann Martel. The son of a zookeeper, Pi Patel has an encyclopedic knowledge of animal behavior and a fervent love of stories. When Pi is sixteen, his family emigrates from India to North America aboard a Japanese cargo ship, along with their

zoo animals bound for new homes. The ship sinks. Pi finds himself alone in a lifeboat, his only companions a hyena, an orangutan, a wounded zebra, and Richard Parker, a 450-pound Bengal tiger.

La Plata Book Discussion Group

Meets at 7:00 pm on the second Thursday of every month. Anyone interested in joining the group can call 301-934-9001 or email Phyllis Frere at pfrere@ccplonline.org for more information. The Library is located at 2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646.



October 10: October 10: Bury
My Heart at Wounded Knee by Dee
Brown. First published in 1971, Dee
Brown's classic, eloquent, meticulously
documented account tells of the
systematic destruction of the American

Indian during the second half of the nineteenth century. Using council records, autobiographies, and firsthand descriptions, Brown allows great chiefs and warriors of the Dakota, Ute, Sioux, Cheyenne, and other tribes to tell us in their own words of the series of battles, massacres, and broken treaties that finally left them and their people demoralized and decimated. A unique and disturbing narrative told with force and clarity, Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee changed forever our vision of how the West was won, and lost. It tells a story that should not be forgotten, and so must be retold from time to time.

Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm. Contact Lena Cox at 301-375-7375 or email lcox@ccplonline.org for more information. The Senior Center is located at 100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head, MD 20640.



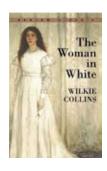
October 23: King Peggy An American Secretary, Her Royal Destiny, and the Inspiring Story of How She Changed an African Village by Peggielane Bartels and E. Herman. King Peggy chronicles the astonishing journey of Peggielene, who suddenly finds herself king to a town of 7,000 people on Ghana's central coast, half a world away.

Peggy's first two years as king of Otuam unfold in a way that is stranger than fiction. In the end, a deeply traditional African town is uplifted by the ambitions of its decidedly modern female king, and Peggy is herself transformed, from an ordinary secretary to the heart and hope of her community.

Literary Arts

Waldorf Book Discussion Group (P.D. Brown Library)

The Adult Book Discussion Group meets on the first Saturday of every month from 9:30 - 10:30 am. Anyone interested in joining, please call 301-645-2864, or email mruss@ccplonline.org. The P.D. Brown Library is located at 50 Village Street, Waldorf, MD 20602.



October 5: The Woman in White by Wilkie Collins. "There, in the middle of the broad, bright high-road-there, as if it had that moment sprung out of the earth or dropped from the heaven-stood the figure of a solitary Woman, dressed from head to foot in white garments." Thus young Walter Hartright first meets the mysterious woman in white in what

soon became one of the most popular novels of the nineteenth century.

P.D. Brown Memorial Branch Mystery Genre Book Club



Mystery Book Club, meets every other month on the third Wednesday. Next meeting is November 20, 6:00 - 7:30 pm. Ages 16 years and up.

Come and talk about your favorite mysteries with other mystery lovers. There are no book assignments, just good conversation! For more information, call 301-645-2864.

The Jane Austen Book Club



This club meets six times a year on the last Tuesday of the month from 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Anyone interested in joining the Jane Austen Book Club can call 301-645-2864 or email us with your library card number and we will place a copy of the book on reserve for you. Please check

with the P.D. Brown Library to see the upcoming dates for The Jane Austen Book Club!

Waldorf West Library's New Book Club for Women Chicks for Lit is a new book club just for women and those who love to read books by and about women. The Club meets on Saturdays; the next meeting is August 3, 10:00 - 11:00 am. The Library is located at 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD 20603.



October 26: Jubi Stone: Saved by the Vine by Yvonne Medley. Jubilee "Jubi" Stone was a long-awaited gift from God to her now aging parents, James and Esther Stone. However, by the time their "gift" reaches her teens, a total disconnect between the generations creates a poisonous wound in their relationship. A toxic

mixture of false pride, denial, and sexual abuse stands as the cause. Esther Stone's only hold on her child-and the only road to this family's healing--is prayer. When Jubi finds herself on the altar of the Forest Unity Church of Baltimore, she's secured in the embrace of the Reverend Charles A. Wicker, praying for her salvation. The next moments prove crucial because for Jubi, her parents, and the devil, time is running out. On that unforgettable Sunday morning, someone will die and someone will live. Copies of the selection are available at Waldorf West Library.

For more information, contact Ashley Teagle at 301-645-1395, or go to their website at http://www.ccplonline.org/news/bookdiscussion.html.

Visual Arts

Local Artists on Display in Colonial Beach, Virginia

Both Art Teachers at Charles County High Schools



Theresa Alo will have a solo show entitled "Mass Medium" at the John T. Parran Gallery inside the Colonial Beach Fisheries Commission. Vicki Marckel will have her work on exhibition in a show entitled "The Art of Wine" at Ingleside Winery. This group show is a collaboration with the Colonial Beach Artists Guild and Jarrett Thor Fine Arts with the opening "Meet the Artists" reception on Sunday, October 13, 2:00-5:00 pm.

Their shows will run through the entire month of October. Both Galleries, along with many others in the area, will hold the monthly Art Walk on Friday, October 11, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm, sponsored by the Colonial Beach Craft Guild, where both artists will be on hand to meet and discuss their works.

Alo explores variations of her previous works, evaluating each outcome to identify more possibilities. Her individual series is inspired, whether consciously or unconsciously, by her life experiences and influences. Working both functionally and abstractly, Alo is fascinated by the fact that there is not a set procedure for utilizing clay in an art piece; instead the challenge in itself is what inspires her to create. Alo is intrigued by clay's inherent mysterious qualities that offer unforeseen potential to be transformed into anything.

Vicki Marckel juxtaposes rural and urban environments though graphic compositional elements, the interplay of light and shadow, and striking color contrast. Her goal is to translate her experiences to the viewer. She creates reflections of her perceptions based on her extensive travel and keen observation of architectural details and how figures interact with their environment. Shadows have become a prominent feature within her work. Marckel utilizes shadows to create contrast as a means to help intensify the composition and highlight a particular moment. Her painterly application of oil paints illuminates various street scenes. Through her extensive knowledge of composition elements, she draws the viewer into her work. Strong diagonal edges created by vivid color selection lead the eye to a strong focal point. All these elements the artist employ in a seamlessly picturesque scene of the city. Marckel is extremely intrigued by the dynamic nature of urban environments; selectively simplifying the plethora of stimuli to create clarity and focus within her work.

Theresa Alo has taught in Charles County Public Schools since 1989, and Vicki Marckel has taught since 2005. Both Alo and Marckel are high school visual arts teachers: Theresa teaches at North Point High School and Vicki teaches at Henry E. Lackey High School.

Mattawoman Creek Art Center



Open Studio on Fridays

(Through December 20, from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm) is an opportunity for you to join others who like to create, whether it be painting, drawing, photography, sculpting, knitting, quilting,

etc. Bring your own materials and your lunch. Share you ideas and techniques. Critique each other's work and enjoy the creative process. **FREE.**

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Mattawoman Creek Art Center invites you to experience "Waterscapes" An Invitational Show Featuring the Art of Jack Brumbaugh Now through October 27, 2013



As an artist, Jack Brumbaugh is currently drawn to water imagery, as will be evident in the creative works of

this show. Jack uses oil pastels and drawing techniques that create a recognizable image, which draws the viewer into the piece to explore the abstract and macro level of color, line, and texture. Jack's work is displayed in homes and galleries across the country.

Workshops for a Fee:

Colored Pencils



Tuesdays October 15 & 22 10:00 am - 3:00 om Fee: \$70 members / \$90 nonmembers

Instructor: Elizabeth Riordon. This two-session workshop explores the amazing medium of Colored Pencils. While it can be used as a tool to "draw," it is unexpectedly exciting when it is used to "paint." Colored pencil paintings may be created with oil-based, wax-based or water soluble pigment pencils. Bring your pencils, an eraser, pencil sharpener, low-tack masking tape, a blank piece of computer paper and a container for your pencil shavings. We will learn, explore and in the second session we will share our discoveries and solve problems or concerns.

Holiday Ornaments



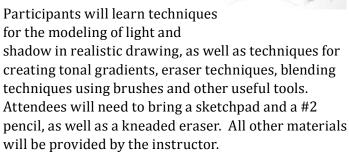
Saturday October 19 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Fee: \$20 members / \$25 nonmembers

Instructors: MCAC Members. Join us for a "Make 6, Take 3" workshop to create three ornaments to hang on your tree and three to be sold at MCAC. You will create two very small watercolor paintings that fit into mini-frames, two polymer clay ornaments and you will decorate two Santa Claus cookies. If there is time and materials, you may be able to make more ornaments.

Techniques in Realistic Drawing

Monday October 28 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Fee: \$40 members / \$50 nonmembers





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Join MCAC for a free movie & special dessert! Simon Schama's *Power of Art: Caravaggio*

Sunday, October 20, 2:00 pm



Caravaggio, an Italian painter in the 16th & 17th centuries brought a new style of painting to the Roman Catholic Church by using ordinary working people as models for his saints showing them in contemporary surroundings. His deep understanding of the Christian

message shown in his paintings appealed to the common man but collided with his violent nature, eventually ending in a murder. This BBC DVD is 60 minutes in length.

MCAC is located in Smallwood State Park, Marbury, Maryland, 35 miles south of Washington, DC, on Route 224, in Charles County. Park Fee is waived for MCAC visitors. Get a \$10 discount when registering and payong one week in advance for any workshop. The Gallery and Gift Shop are open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm For more

Charles County FallFest

Celebrate Charles Saturday, October 26, 2:00 to 6:30 pm



Regency Furniture Stadium 11765 St. Linus Drive, Waldorf

The highlight of this

local favorite is the Celebrate Charles Marketplace which will showcase local crafters, artisans, businesses, etc. Kids can try out their Halloween costumes a little early on the Trick-or-Treat Trail and can play all day in the Family Fun Zone. The Sam

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Grow Band and Ally Jones Acoustic Jam are providing the live music, and the event will be topped off with a spectacular fireworks display. Admission is free. For more information visit www.CharlesCountyMD.gov.

College of Southern Maryland

La Plata Campus Fine Arts Center
Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery
Ching Ching Cheng's *Transverse*October 11 to November 15

Gallery Talk/Reception, October 10, 12:00 pm



"Bell & Hosel Library," Ching Ching Che

Putting herself in the situation to make the subject matter more personal, Ching Ching Cheng's work gives an intimate and personal account of her own experiences, while simultaneously encouraging the viewer to recall their own. Her work is symbolic and conceptual. Cheng

presents subject matter outside the self, constantly trying to replace the figures in her paintings with images that represent the idea of the figure, an object or an animal that takes on the persona of what the figure represents. This intimate gesture allows for a personal connection to be forged by the viewer with the work. The subject matter that influences and inspires Cheng's work the most comes from psychology and nature. The ways people deal with situations are very different from one another, and she finds this very special and interesting. Most of Cheng's work is mixed media using ink, watercolor, gouache, and acrylic. She works digitally and traditionally as well as three dimensionally, and likes to experiment with different techniques and mediums.

The Campus is located at 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata, MD.



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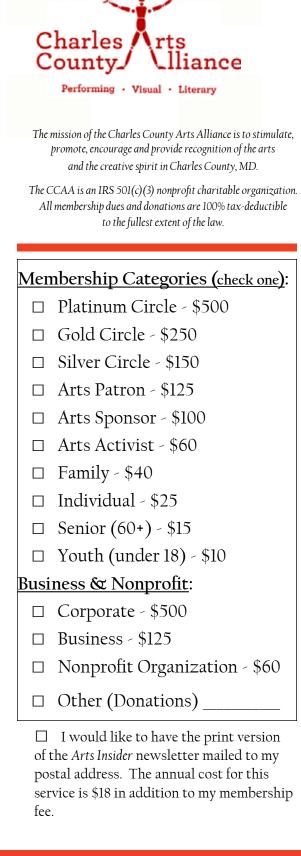
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- \$1 discount for each ticket purchased for Port Tobacco Players theatrical productions
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- CCAA voting privileges
- And most importantly, the satisfaction that comes from actively supporting the arts in Charles County!

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Sat, Dec 14, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

"Meet the Artists" Public Reception

Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery

Sat, Jan 25, 9:30 am - 4:00 pm **CCAA Board Midwinter Retreat** Solomons Landing, Solomons Sat, Feb 8, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm **CCAA** Board Meeting United Way House, La Plata Sat, Mar 8, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm **CCAA** Board Meeting United Way House, La Plata Sat, Apr 12, 10:30 am - 12:30 **CCAA Board Meeting** United Way House, La Plata Sat, May 3, 1:00 - 3:00 pm CCAA Annual Membership Meeting and Reception Waldorf West Library - Main Gallery Sat, May 3, 3:00 – 5:00 pm "Meet the Artists" Public Reception Waldorf West Library - Main Gallery

Sat, May 17, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

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Thu, June 5, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Sat, June 7, 12:00 - 6:00 pm

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