



The Arts Insider

Arts Alliance Donates Student Art Supply Boxes to Children's Aid Society

August 2016

Art Supplies to Benefit K through 3rd Grade Charles County School Children

On Wednesday, August 3, the Arts Alliance, with the gracious help of volunteers, stuffed 528 plastic boxes with crayons, colored pencils, #2 pencils, glue sticks, erasers, bottled glue and scissors. The boxes were delivered to the Children's Aid Society on Thursday, August 4, to be included with backpacks that will be distributed to kindergarten through 3rd grade students in Charles County. Each box costs the Alliance between \$5 and \$6. Thanks to a \$500 donation from the La Plata Lions Club, a \$500 donation from the Rotary of La Plata, and a \$1,000 Grant from the La Plata Walmart, the Alliance was able to increase the number of boxes from 400 to over 500 this year.



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La Plata Walmart Store Manager Kim Swann presents the \$1,000 Grant Check to CCAA President Robert Rausch, with Department Managers Katilla Stewart (left) and Tara Brown joining in.

Many thanks to the La Plata Walmart Store Manager Kim Swann, Department Managers Tara Brown and Katilla Stewart, and Cashier Jermaine Williams for making the purchasing process efficient and easy.

And a hearty thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who responded to our call for help and worked hard to assemble the boxes: Charles County Arts Alliance President Robert Rausch, Vice President Gale Kladitis, Secretary/Treasurer Ron Brown and Directors Bill Adams, Emily Ferren, Kathy Jenkins, Amy Jones, and Honorary Director Cindi Barnhart; members and supporters of the Alliance: Donna Adams, Win Barber, Margaret Boggs, Ben Butler, Shirley Cornell,

Evie Dashiell, Nancy Hannans, Jan Norton, Melinda Paglierani, Roberta Perry, Nancy Swenson, Amy Tarleton and Mark Walker, and a special shout out to Marsha David, Training Specialist at Spring Dell Center, for bringing her helpers Joe Bean, John McGraw, and Charlie Thompson!



From left: La Plata Walmart Department Managers Katilla Stewart and Tara Brown and Cashier Jermaine Williams teamed to ring up over 4220 items.

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Thank you, Volunteers!



Finally, thanks to the Charles County Children's Aid Society and financial donors the La Plata Lions Club and Rotary of La Plata.



At the Children's Aid Society, from the left: Danielle Wilmoth, Margie Knowland, Connie Burick, Robert Rausch, Gordon Schrader and Janet Brett



Thanks to all who donated time and money to help us help the school children in Charles County!

Grant Season Opens Soon!

Applications will be Available at the CCAA Website



Applications for FY2017 grants will be available on August 10, 2016! Over the past 29 years, the CCAA has awarded over \$650,000 in grant funding to schools and organizations in Charles County for projects in the performing, visual, and literary arts. This has helped enhance our county's culture and inspire its residents to explore the diverse arts community present in its own backyard. There are two types of grants: Arts in Education (AIE) for schools, and Community Arts Development (CAD) for nonprofit organizations. Some examples are arts services, children's events, dance, folk arts and heritage, literature, media, and

music. Schools may request up to \$800, while nonprofit organizations may be eligible to receive up to \$6,000 in grant monies.

Organizations seeking funding can obtain applications online at www.charlescountyarts.org/program/grants or by contacting the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900.

This year, we are offering two dates for the mandatory workshop for organizations seeking a **CAD General Operating or Special Project Grant**. **The first date is Wednesday, September 7, from 7:00 - 8:00 pm, and the second opportunity is Saturday, September 10, from 1:00 - 2:00 pm, both at the United Way House, 10250 La Plata Road, La Plata.** Contact the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900, or info@charlescountyarts.org to sign up for one of these classes. Schools applying for an Arts in Education Grant are not required to attend these workshops.

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

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!

Arts Alliance and Commission on Disability Host "Artist without Limits" Reception

Artists with Disabilities Display their Talents at the Commissioners Gallery

It started with a letter from the disabled community to the Charles County Arts Alliance to include more artists with disabilities in the gallery exhibits. Recognizing artistic talent is a quality of life issue for everyone. It's all about inclusion. Nationally, July is disability awareness month with the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act 26 years ago. Locally, we celebrated at the Charles County Government Building with the "Artists Without Limits" exhibit which runs until September 26, 2016.



The Commission on Individuals with Disabilities Secretary Jeff Mathews with Emily Ferren, Chair.



A reception honoring artists with disabilities was held on Tuesday, July 19, 2016, to recognize the 38 artists who participated in the show. The project was co-sponsored by the Charles County Arts Alliance and the Commission on Individuals with Disabilities. A special thank you to the Charles County Commissioners for their endorsement and support to "Artists without Limits."

There were 24 individual works of art plus four group projects provided by artists from Charles County Freedom Landing. The individual artists include: Jennifer Bell, Lacy Bullard, Mary Burdick, Sarah Cacciaglia, Alexander Chisley, Xavier Chisley, Nyle Coleman, Mary Jean Garner, Travis Gilbert, Doris Hagens, Rosalie Hawkins, Taren Johnson, James Robert Johnson, Jonathan Jones, Antonio Landers, Jody Loper, Doug Nevitt, Rudolph Nielsen, John Reese, Christopher Walker, Lindsay Wallace, Aaliyah Wells, Joanne Van Brunt, Nolan Wilder, and the artists from Charles County Freedom Landing are: Curtis Chisley, Angela Ellis, Tawanna Farmer, John Ford, Delandes Green, Jackson Henry, Tieshia Litten, Kyley McConnell, Derrick Monkister, Graig Musselman, Minh Nguyen, Tiffani Patterson, Ray Thompson, and Brandon Wood.



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During the awards ceremony, Emily Ferren read a poem by Mattie J.T. Stepanek from *Reflections of a Peacemaker*:

"The Spirit of Success"

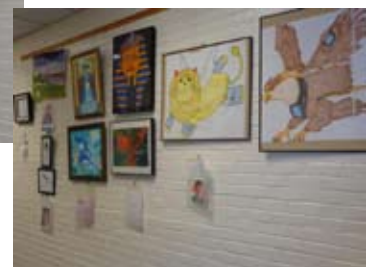
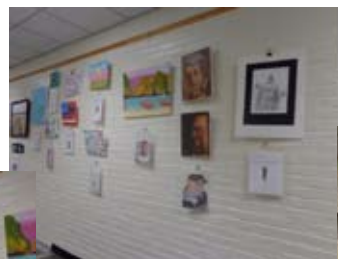
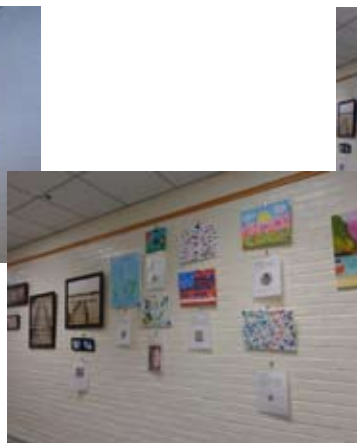
It is the spirit that makes school a success.
The spirit goes through different seasons,
And traveling through each season takes time.
During this time, many experiences
Affect the mind, and the heart,
And the essence of our being.
These experiences are shaped by people---
Our teachers, our friends, and our families.
Our spirits are gently, yet meaningfully
Touched, as we learn from these people.
And through these lessons,
We build our future, and our life,
As we grow in the spirit of success.

~ June 13, 1999



"The evening was all about the artists being part of the Charles County community and sharing their talent with others," stated Emily Ferren, Chair of the Commission on Individuals with Disabilities.

The art works can be viewed online at <http://charlescountyarts.org/galleries/commissioners-gallery-2>.



Arts Alliance Hosts "Meet the Artists" Public Reception



Summer Show Artists Recognized at Waldorf West Library

On Saturday, July 23, 2016, the Arts Alliance hosted the 15th "Meet the Artists" Public Reception at Waldorf West Library to honor the 25 artists who participated in the summer art exhibit at the Library. The artists and public were entertained by the music of Joseph Norris.

The summer show runs through September 24, 2016, and includes 46 works of art by: Theresa Alo, Charles Arcadipane, Sar'där Aziz, Patricia Valdes Biles, Andy Dixon, Cecelia Dunay, Penelope Gold, Sally Goldsmith, Roxana Gonzales, Kenneth Graves, Gordon Johnson, Addison Likins, Susannah Lynch, Vicki Marckel, Elizabeth Miller, Constance Moore, Maryam Muhammad, Rudolph Nielsen, Kathleen Noel, Jan Norton, Allen Price, Sandra Santana, Ernest Sinnes, Mary Sokol and Joanne Van Brunt. Most of the artworks are for sale; the Library has a price list. Visit <http://charlescountyarts.org/galleries/waldorf-west-library-gallery-2> to view the current gallery online.

CCAA Gallery Chair Gale Kladitis stated, "We on the Gallery Committee now look forward to our anniversary "Meet the Artists" Public Reception on October 1, 2016, which will mark the 4th year since the opening of the Waldorf West Library and the partnership with the Arts Alliance. The Charles County Garden Club will also create interpretations of selected art for this reception."



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

Arts Alliance Opens New Solo Artist Show at the Charles Regional Medical Center Featuring Art Works of Gordon Johnson

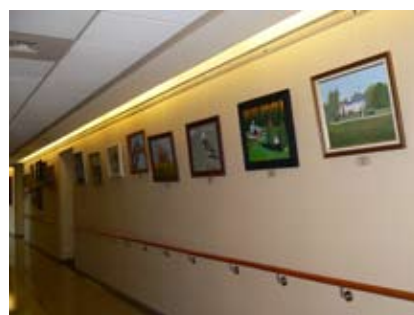


Exhibit Runs through October 5, 2016

Gordon R. Johnson was born and raised in Oxon Hill, Maryland. Growing up, he always had the desire to own his own business and enjoyed art, drawing, building and creating just about anything. Gordon soon found himself performing odds and ends home improvement jobs for his family and friends, and established his own home improvement business where he worked until retirement.

Once retired, Gordon began to think about hobbies and building a workshop for wood projects. Before he knew it, he found himself drawn to a few Bob Ross instructional videos on painting. The workshop quickly turned into an art studio, and he has been painting still life, seascapes and landscapes in watercolor, acrylic, oils...and loving it! Gordon continues his instruction under local art instructors and finding new inspirations to his paintings. Gordon's artworks are available for purchase; he can be reached at grrjohnson@aol.com.

The Charles Regional Medical Center Gallery is located at 5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD. Gallery hours are 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, daily. The gallery can also be viewed at the CCAA website at <http://charlescountyarts.org/galleries/charles-regional-medical-center>.



Eight Artists Needed for Four Quarterly Shows in 2017

Deadline to Submit is October 16, 2016



The Charles County Arts Alliance hosts art exhibits in the Charles County Government Building Commissioners' Gallery, and the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center, both in La Plata, MD. Submissions will be accepted for each location by October 16, 2016, for the four quarterly shows in 2017.

Local artists are invited to submit 15 artworks on any subject to the Charles County Arts Alliance for consideration (there is no submission fee). Artwork entries must be submitted electronically as low-resolution digital images (jpegs) attached to an email sent to waldorfwestgallery@gmail.com, and reference 2017 Solo Artist Show in the subject line of your email.

Entries must include:

- Artist's name
- Artist's Address
- Artist's Phone Number
- Artist's biography (half-page max, in MS-Word)
- Artist's headshot (jpeg)
- Title of artwork
- Medium/materials used
- Size/dimensions
- Year created
- Price, if applicable

Artists who have previously shown in these galleries are invited to submit new work for consideration.

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Silver Circle

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Greg Kenney, Jr. & Family
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Ursula Lawrence
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Peggy & Norman Palmer
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Schuster & Mary Vance
Amy Tarleton and Scott Wilmoth
and Family
Mark G. Walker
Chancy & Sandra Wood

Individual

Free Akins
Frederick LaMoine Allen
Dr. Theresa Alo
Susie Bender
Amy Blessinger
Stephanie Boyer
Taryn Brown
Denise Calisti
Joyce Colbert
Kathy Cooke
Brooke Douglas
Roxana Gonzales
Mark T. Hayes
Christine Hill
Shanese Hirmas
William Jones
Ellen Lewis
Robin Lower
Vicki L. Marckel
Ivette Marcucci
Julie Meisel
Peter F. Murphy
Kathleen L. Noel
Nadira Nunez
Marie C. Parham
Jennifer Pinto
Allen Price
Shane Seremet
Tammy Scott
Lee Anne Shontere
Lucille Snell
Lucretia Tanner
Joseph Wimberly

Non-Profit Organization

Archbishop Neale School
Charles County Fair, Inc.
Charles County Government -
Recreation, Parks & Tourism

Charles County Public Library
Chesapeake Choral Arts Society
Friends of Chapman State Park
Friends of the Old Waldorf
School
Indian Head Center for the Arts
Life Journeys Writers Guild
Mattawoman Creek Art Center
Music Teachers Association
of Charles County Inc
Port Tobacco Players
Sagepoint Senior Living Services
Southern Maryland Carousel
Group
Southern Maryland Decorative
Painters
Southern Maryland Jazz
Orchestra
Town of Indian Head
Town of La Plata

Senior

Cindi Barnhart
Shirley A. Best
John T. Blakeney
Lloyd S. Bowling, Sr.
Burkey & Margaret Boggs
Rose Burroughs
Judy E. Cabos
Colbert Carter, Sr.
Suzanne Cassidy
William Cassidy
Carol Charnock
Martha K. Clements
Ellen Conyers
Carol Corbett
Dorothy Crown
Frank M. Culhane
Evelyn Dashiell
Cecelia Dunay
Patricia Duncan
Gale Y. Euchner
Donald D. Faust
Geary Fisher
William E. Gibson
Penelope H. Gold
Sally Marie Goldsmith
Joyce Williams Graves
Doris J. Hall
Beverly Hardy
Patrise Henkel
Sally Hopp
Barbara Hufford
Charles and Arlene Hughes
Nick Hurrysh
Mary Ann Jenkins
Gordon Ray Johnson
Maryann Karimi
Mary Ellen Karwasinski
Mary Kercher

Charlene Lancaster
Martha Lane
Brian Lewald
Addison Newton Likins
Jim Long
Beverlie Ludy
David & Katie Ludy
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Roseanne Markham
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Henry McPherson
Connie Miller
Constance E. Moore
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Carolyn A. Vaughn
Donna Wilson
Libushe Zorin

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Jaden Hendricks
Sarah McElhaney

CCAA Membership Form



The mission of the Charles County Arts Alliance is to stimulate, promote, encourage and provide recognition of the arts and the creative spirit in Charles County, MD.

Show Your Support for the Arts by Joining the CCAA!

The benefits of CCAA membership last year-round:

- CCAA Arts Insider monthly E-newsletter
- CCAA Arts Newsflash weekly E-update of arts events
- 20% off regular prices on certain items at Hot Licks Guitar Shop in Waldorf
- 10% off custom framing at Bernie's Frame Shop in La Plata
- \$1 discount for each ticket purchased for Port Tobacco Players theatrical productions
- CCAA voting privileges
- And most importantly, the satisfaction that comes from actively supporting the arts in Charles County!

Membership Categories (check one):

- Platinum Circle - \$500
- Gold Circle - \$250
- Silver Circle - \$150
- Arts Patron - \$125
- Arts Sponsor - \$100
- Arts Activist - \$75
- Family - \$50
- Individual - \$30
- Senior (60+) - \$20
- Youth (under 18) - \$10

Business & Nonprofit:

- Corporate - \$500
- Business - \$250
- Nonprofit Organization - \$75
- Other (Donations) _____

The CCAA is an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization.

All membership dues and donations are 100 percent tax-deductible.

Renewal

New Member

Name *(exactly as you want it to appear in print):*

Organization/Business *(if applicable):*

Address:

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail _____

Want to volunteer? We'd love the help!

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ArtsFest Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Budget/Finance/Audit Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach/Marketing Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Events Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative/Office Work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gallery Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical/IT Support |

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Master Calendar **FY 2017**

2016

- Sat, Jul 9, 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Summer Retreat
Solomons Landing, Solomons
- Tue, Jul 19, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
"Meet the Artist" Reception
Charles County Commissioners Gallery
- Sat, Jul 23, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
"Meet the Artists" Public Reception
Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery
- Thu, Aug 25, 7:30 - 9:30 p,
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- Wed, Sep 7, 7:00 pm
Mandatory CAD Grant Workshop I
United Way House, La Plata
- Sat, Sep 10, 1:00 pm
Mandatory CAD Grant Workshop II
United Way House, La Plata
- Sat, Sep 10, 2:00 am – 4:00 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- Wed - Sun, Sep 15 – 18
Charles County Fair
Charles County Fairgrounds, La Plata
- Sat, Sep 24, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
"Meet the Artists" Public Reception
Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, Charlotte Hall
- Sat, Oct 1, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
"Meet the Artists" Public Reception
Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery
- Thu, Oct 13, 7:30 - 9:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- Fri, Oct 21, 12:00 noon
FY 2017 Grant Applications Due
United Way House, La Plata
- Sat, Oct 24, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon
CCAA Grant Committee Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- Sat, Nov 5, 2:00 - 4:00 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- Sat, Nov 19, 6:00 – 9:00 pm
CCAA Annual Grantee and Membership Gala
Old Waldorf School
- Sat, Dec 10, 2:00 - 4:00 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata

Note: Dates and times may be subject to change.

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Nobody can be uncheered with a balloon.

~ Winnie the Pooh



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