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Arts Newsflash

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March 23, 2017

ArtsFest 2017

Saturday, June 10, 11:00 am to 5:00 pm

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



REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
First Early Discount Ends April 15

The Charles County Arts Alliance is pleased to announce our 25th annual ArtsFest, to be held on Saturday, June 10, 2017, from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm, on the beautiful grounds of the La Plata Town Hall, in La Plata, Maryland. ArtsFest is the largest arts festival in Charles County, and one of the largest in Southern Maryland. This is our sixth year to present the festival in partnership with the Town of La Plata.

ArtsFest is our annual outdoor celebration of all the arts and artists - visual, literary and performing. It is our "free gift" to the citizens of Charles County and Southern Maryland, and there is no charge for the public to attend. It is a family-friendly, wonderful way to kick off the summer season!

Visual and literary artists of all media are invited to display and sell their works. In addition, nonprofit arts organizations are invited as exhibitors to display information and encourage participation in their performing, visual and literary arts activities. Also invited as nonprofit exhibitors are cultural, historical, heritage and environmental organizations. Local commercial organizations are also invited

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to distribute information on their products and services, and a variety of great food will be available for purchase throughout the day.

Our audience attendance at ArtsFest averages 2000 people each year. At last year's ArtsFest, we presented nonstop music and dance performances on two stages, 60 artists and exhibitors on display, food vendors, and a Kid's Art Tent with a wide variety of hands-on creative projects. This year's ArtsFest promises to be even bigger and better than last year's!



Click [HERE](#) for the Arts Vendors and Exhibitors Form

Click [HERE](#) for the Food Vendors Form

Click [HERE](#) for the Commercial Displayers Form

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



You Are Invited!



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



In partnership with the Charles County Arts Alliance, Charlotte Hall Veterans Home presents their public art gallery, showcasing 37 artists and 55 works of art. The gallery is located along the E-Wing Assisted Living Dining Hallway at 29449 Charlotte Hall Rd., Charlotte Hall, MD.



On Saturday, March 25, the Veterans Home will host a "Meet the Artists" Public Reception in the E-Wing Multipurpose Room, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, to honor all the artists participating in the show. The public is invited to this event, and will have a chance to meet the artists while viewing their works on display. Light refreshments will be served.



The show's theme was "Artist's Choice" and includes work from: Free Akins, Theresa Alo, Michael Anderson, Shirley Andrews (a resident), Anne Buffington, Sue Cassidy, Bill Cassidy, Sang Jin Choi, Cecelia Dunay, Stu Geisbert, Penny Gold, Richard Gold, Roxana Gonzales, Arianna Harley, Jaden Hendricks, Gary Jameson, Gordon Johnson, Addison Likins, Joanna Macauley, Bill Meck (a resident), Kathy Noel, Jonathan Nordstrom, Nadira Nunez, Nia Olabesi, Joshua Owen, Nancy Owens, Walter Pearsall (a resident), Ashley Radano (CHVH Volunteer Director), Dianne Shisler, Ernest Sinnes, George Skypeck, Michelle Tirrell, Joanne Van Brunt, Nancy Walcutt, Jennifer Ward, Ronald Webb, and Joseph Wolf. Most artwork is available for purchase; the E-Wing Security desk has a copy of the price list and artists biographies.

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A floral interpretation will be provided by the Crossroads of Hughesville Garden Club.



Charlotte Hall Veterans Home is Maryland's only long-term care and assisted living facility specifically for Veterans and their eligible spouses. Hours are: Monday-Sunday, 10:00 am to 8:00 pm. Please follow the signs for the "State

Office" entrance around back.

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home "Call for Artists"



Theme is "Artists Choice"
Deadline to Submit: March 27, 2017
Exhibit Runs from April 20 - October 18, 2017

Click [HERE](#) for Details

For more information on the gallery, contact Melissa Canada at 240-577-7034 or VeteransHomeArt@gmail.com.

PERFORMING ARTS [{top}](#)

Watermelon One-Act Festival Auditions

Saturday, March 25, 10:00 am to Noon
Leonardtwn Library Meeting Room
23250 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown



Open auditions for 17 original, one-act plays being presented at the Watermelon Festival on June 3 - 4, at St. Mary's College of Maryland. There are a variety of roles available and local directors will be at the audition. Come prepared to do short, cold readings from each play. Most plays are under 30 minutes and the festival is over in a single weekend. This is a great opportunity to get some stage time without the large commitment of a full length production. For more information, visit <http://www.watermeloninc.org> or contact Lisa Gregory at watermelon@watermeloninc.org.

Spring Concert

Christ Church
Saturday, March 25, 7:00 pm
112 Charles Street, La Plata, MD
Free Admission and Open to the Public

A Spring Benefit Concert

Christ Church Capital Campaign
Restoration of organ and other projects

Saturday, March 25th, 2017 at 7:00 PM
Christ Church

Lucy Snell, Flute
Takako Mato, Clarinet
Eileen Peerless, Piano

Dance Preludes for Flute and Piano
Prelude to the Carnival of a Fair
Meditation for Clarinet and Piano
Sonata for Clarinet and Piano
Serenade for Flute and Piano
Tanzwunder for Flute

Witold Lutoslawski
Claude Debussy
Francis Poulenc
Wilhelm Stenhammar
Camille Saint-Saëns

Free Admission
Open to the Public

Enjoy an evening of delightful music with Lucy Snell, flute; Takako Mato, clarinet; and Eileen Peerless, Piano. The program includes music by Witold Lutoslawski, Claude Debussy, Ernesto Lecouana, Francis Poulenc, Wilhelm Stenhammar and Camille Saint-Saëns. For more information, contact Lucy Snell at ljsnell@comcast.net.



Maurice J. McDonough High School

Seussical: The Musical

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Thursday - Friday, March 30 - 31, 6:30 pm

Saturday, April 1, 2:00 and 6:30 pm

7165 Marshall Corner Road, Pomfret

Tickets: \$10 Adults; \$8 Students, Senior Citizens, Military



The show features several lovable Dr. Seuss characters from classic books such as "Horton Hears a Who!," "Horton Hatches the Egg," and "Miss Gertrude McFuzz." For more information, call 301-934-2944.

Thomas Stone High School

Shrek: The Musical

Thursday - Saturday, March 30 - April 1, 7:00 pm

3785 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf

Tickets: \$5 Adults, Children Under Age 4 are Free



The show features the adventures of a lovable green ogre, Shrek, as he encounters fairy tale characters and falls in love. The production is based on the popular 2001 DreamWorks movie "Shrek." Call 301-645-2601 for more information.

College of Southern Maryland

14th Annual Jazz Festival

Friday - Saturday, March 31 - April 1, 8:00 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$5 in Advance; \$7 Day of Event

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Friday's concert features The Phil Burlin Quartet. Saturday's program includes performances by the North Point High School Jazz Band and CSM's Solid Brass Big Band Jazz Ensemble, with special guest artist and world-renowned saxophonist Phil Burlin, lead tenor saxophonist with the Navy Commodores for over 25 years. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828,

or visit www.csmd.edu/arts.

Port Tobacco Players

Company

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Now through April 2

Friday - Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

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

Adult themes and language - not suitable for children

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March 10 - April 2
2017

(Modern Musical) Phone rings, door chimes - in comes *Company*, Stephen Sondheim's compelling, funny and heartfelt musical about love and marriage. Facing his 35th birthday, perpetual bachelor Bobby finds himself questioning his singleton life. As he spends time with his friends, each at a different phase of married life, he sees their relationships at their best and worst - and most human - moments. Through their trials and triumphs, Bobby begins to see the merits of not being alone, but "being alive." *Company* is an unflinching love letter by one of America's greatest contemporary composers to the chaotic and sublime possibilities of life. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819.

North Point High School

Guys and Dolls

Thursday - Friday, April 6 - 7, 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 8, 1:00 and 7:00 pm

2500 Davis Road, Waldorf

Tickets: \$10 General Admission; \$5 Students, Senior Citizens



The musical is a romantic comedy based in New York City. The main character, a gambler named Nathan, owes several debts and the show follows him as he attempts to pay them while turning to his girlfriend and other gamblers for help. For

more information, call 301-753-1759.

Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco First Friday

An Evening with the Conspirators: A Conversation with George Atzerodt and Mary Surratt

April 7, 6:00 pm

Port Tobacco Courthouse

8430 Commerce Street, Port Tobacco

Free and Open to the Public, Donations Accepted



Join Kate Ramirez as Mary Surratt and Mike Callahan as George Atzerodt, to learn about the roles they played in the conspiracy to assassinate Abraham Lincoln. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, go to <https://restoreporttobacco.wordpress.com/societys-calendar/events> or email keechjoyce@aol.com or call Mary Fenton at 301-375-7892.

College of Southern Maryland

Barbershop Extravaganza

Saturday, April 8, 4:00 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

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

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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. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

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

The CCAA is an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization. All membership dues and donations are 100 percent tax deductible.

Buy Tickets Now!

Chesapeake Choral Arts Society Pops Concert

If We Could Sing To The Animals

Saturday, April 8, 7:30 pm

Sunday, April 9, 3:30 pm

Port Tobacco Players Theater

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Tickets: \$15 Adults; \$12 Students, Senior Citizens, Military



Concert features a "menagerie" of songs that reference animals or are from films or shows about animals. "Baby Elephant Walk", the theme from "The Pink Panther," medleys from "Cats" and "The Lion King" along with many other well-known songs will be performed. For more information, call 301-642-0594, email info@chesapeakechoral.com, or visit

www.chesapeakechoral.com.

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Ward Virts Concert Series

Hannah Baslee, Mezzo-Soprano

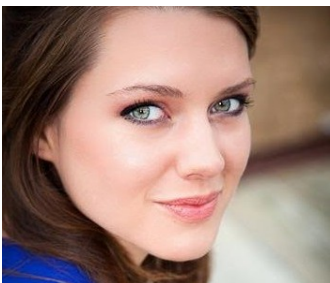
Sunday, April 9, 2017, 3:00 pm

Prince Frederick Campus

Building B, Multipurpose Room 104

115 J.W. Williams Road, Prince Frederick

Free Admission



Mezzo-soprano Hannah Baslee received her Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in Vocal Performance in her home state of Texas. Now a D.C. native, Hannah is an active voice teacher and performer. She is also voice faculty member at Cardon Studios and is an adjunct instructor of Music Appreciation at the College of Southern Maryland. She also maintains her interest in choral singing by participation in the 18th Street Singers and the early music

ensemble Illuminare. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828 or visit <http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts>.

College of Southern Maryland

Benny C. Morgan Recital Series

Southern Maryland Chamber Players

Saturday, April 15, 8:00 pm

Leonardtwn Campus

Building A, Room 206, 22950 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown

Free Admission



The Southern Maryland Chamber Players features members from the Chamber Ensemble as well as CSM faculty performers. The group performs traditional chamber music for winds, strings and piano that reflects a variety of musical styles. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7878, or visit www.csmd.edu/arts.

College of Southern Maryland *Shadowlands*

Friday, April 21, 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 22, 2:00 and 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 23, 3:00 pm

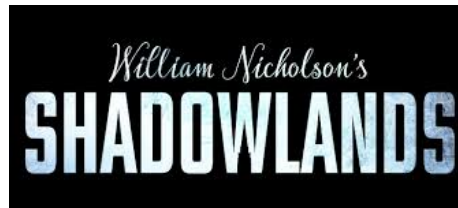
La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$10

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

This West End and Broadway hit is the love story of C.S. Lewis - Oxford don and author of "The Chronicles of Narnia" and "The Screwtape Letters" - and American poet Joy Davidman. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or visit



<http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/special-events/renaissance-festival>

Henry E. Lackey High School *In the Heights*

Friday - Saturday, April 21 - 22, 6:30 pm

Sunday, April 23, 2:00 pm

3000 Chicamuxen Road, Indian Head

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

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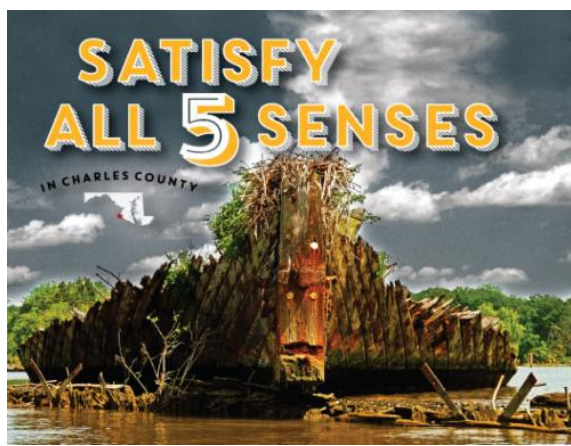
The play, by Lin-Manuel Miranda, takes place in the tight-knit community of Washington Heights in Manhattan and features a young storeowner, Usnavi, as he encounters his neighbors and learns of their successes, struggles and heartbreaks. For more information, call 301-743-5431.

Charles County Government

World War I Commemoration Weekend

Friday - Sunday, April 21 - 23, 2017

Click [HERE](#) for the Complete Schedule of Activities and Fees



DISCOVER QUEST
**World War I
Commemoration
Weekend**

April 21-23, 2017



Events include World War I exhibits; kayaking; guided walks; and tours of historic homes, parks and archaeological sites at various locations. For more information, contact the Office of Tourism at 301-645-0610, 301-396-5819, or 301-645-0601.

College of Southern Maryland
4th Annual Renaissance Festival

Saturday, April 22, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sunday, April 23, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

La Plata Campus, Fine Arts Center Theatre and Lawn

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Free Admission, Fees for Food, Purchases and Games



Travel back to a time when lords ruled and peasants pleased, all in the language and costumes of Shakespeare! Enjoy musical performances, face-painting, games, mock combat demonstrations, and more! For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or

visit [http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-](http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/special-events/renaissance-festival)

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La Plata High School

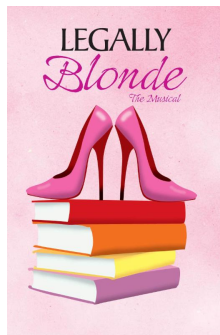
Legally Blonde

Thursday - Friday, April 27 - 28, 6:30 pm

Saturday, April 29, 2:30 and 6:30 pm

6035 Radio Station Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$10 Adults, \$5 Students



The production is a fun musical based on the movie "Legally Blonde" and follows the transformation of Elle Woods as she learns about stereotypes, snobbery and scandal while pursuing her dream to become a lawyer. For more information, call 301-934-1100

Westlake High School

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

Thursday - Saturday, April 27 - 29, 7:00 pm

3300 Middletown Road, Waldorf

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



The show is a musical comedy set at Putnam Valley Middle School, where six quirky students participate in the school spelling bee, coordinated by three equally quirky adults. For more information, call 301-645-8857.

College of Southern Maryland

Pops Concert

Saturday, April 29, 7:00 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$15, All Seats

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

CSM's inaugural Pops Concert will showcase performances by Southern Mix, CSM's barbershop chorus; Ritmo Caché, the Latin ensemble; and CSM's Chorale and Chamber Choir. The special event features an extended evening of the music you love from some of CSM's popular ensembles. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828.



Port Tobacco Players

Camp Mockabee

Summer Theatre Camp for Children Ages 6 through Grade 12

Deadline to Apply: July 14, 2017

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Click [HERE](#) for complete details and to download the application

THE PORT TOBACCO PLAYERS ANNOUNCES

**CAMP
MOCKABEE**

Summer Theatre Camp

Camps for elementary, middle and high school students. Workshops offer instruction in multiple areas of acting, choreography, singing, stage design and more. For more information, call 301-932-6819.

VISUAL ARTS [{top}](#)

Rochester Contemporary Art Center (RoCo)

10th Annual 6x6x2017 Art Exhibition

Rochester Contemporary Art Center

137 East Avenue Rochester, NY 14604

Deadline to Submit: April 16

Exhibit Runs from June 3 - July 16, 2017

Click [HERE](#) for an Entry Form



RoCo is seeking art from all over the US for their tenth show. Art must be 6" x 6" on any subject. To view art from previous exhibits and for more information, go to <http://www.roco6x6.org>.

Southern Maryland Artists Collective (SMAC)

WIP Art Critique Group Meeting

Saturday, March 25, 1:00 and 7:00 pm

Quality Printers, 10485 Theodore Green Boulevard, White Plains

SMAC

southern maryland artists collective

Here's an opportunity for all artists to get feedback on their works in progress, discuss ideas and share advice and knowledge in a small group setting. To sign up for one of the sessions, go to smdartistscollective.com/the-wip. For

more information, contact Joseph Wimberly at 240-349-2953, or JMW@QP2Creative.com.

SMAC Workshop *Polaroid Emulsion Lifts*

Saturday, April 29, 2:00 - 5:00 pm

Class Fee: \$50

Instructor: Laura Lisak

Quality Printers, 10485 Theodore Green Boulevard, White Plains



This is a blast from the past for those of you old enough to remember the original Polaroid cameras; you will be utilizing them for this class! If you have an old Polaroid camera bring it along, otherwise there will be several for you to play with. You will be producing transfers onto a variety of papers. Polaroid images are unique and one of a kind. You will

learn how to remove the emulsion and "lift it" and place on other surfaces. Come make a unique piece of artwork! This class is open to all skill levels. All supplies are included in this workshop. For more information, go to <http://smdartistscollective.com/workshops>.

Mattawoman Creek Art Center (MCAC)

Smallwood State Park, 5565 Upham Place, Marbury, MD 20658

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

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

Click [HERE](#) for the 2017 Calendar of Exhibits

Click [HERE](#) for the 2017 Spring Brochure of Workshops and Events

MCAC Open Studio

Fridays, Now through May 26, 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 Exhibit

On & Off the Wall by Addison Likins

March 24 - April 23

Reception: Sunday, March 26, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

MCAC *Mattawoman Creek Art Center* **MCAC**

Presents
"On & Off the Wall"
by
Addison Likins

March 24-April 23

Reception:
March 26 1-4 p.m.

Enjoy the variety
and imagination of
his sculptures
and photographs!

Belly Wound, First Light, Tree, Game Over, Butterfly
by Addison Likins

MCAC Workshop *Watercolor Monotype*

Saturday, March 25, Noon - 4:00 pm

Fee: \$40 Members / \$50 Nonmembers, Plus \$10 Fee to the Instructor

Instructor: Harriett Lawler



Monotype is often called the "painterly print," and was a favorite of the impressionists. A monotype is a one-of-a-kind print where the paint is applied directly to a printing plate and transferred to the printing paper by running the plate and damp paper through an etching press. For this workshop, you will focus on watercolor techniques using watercolor pencils, watercolor crayons, Prang watercolors, and Speedball block printing ink. You may want to bring a photo for reference if you want to produce a realistic image.

MCAC Workshop *Spring Basketry*

Sundays, March 26, April 23, May 21, 10:00 am - 3:30 pm

Fee: \$169 (All materials are included)

Instructor: Pam King

Three baskets will be completed: Easter Basket with wooden eggs woven right into the basket; Square Tote Basket with overlays creating a plaid pattern; and a Plaited Basket with a maple rim woven on the diagonal for a sturdy basket with an attractive design. The workshop is hosted by Mattawoman Creek Art Center, but registration is through the College of Southern Maryland, course AAA-7280-140127. Register at www.csmd.edu/Go/Register.

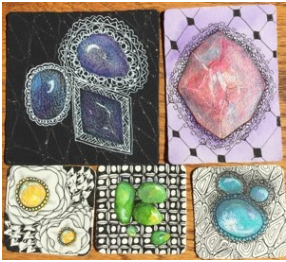


MCAC Workshop *Gemtangles - No fooling!*

Saturday, April 1, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Fee: \$40 Members / \$50 Nonmembers, Plus \$10 Materials Fee

Instructor: Jill Smithson



Gift yourself with some Bling, Zentangle style! You will create realistic gemstones with colored pencils and specialty paints then embellish your sparkling jewel with basic Zentangle patterns. Anyone may attend, and anyone with Zentangle experience will have many more options to make their Gems sparkle! (all levels)

MCAC Workshop *Watercolor Abstracts on Yupo Paper*

Tuesday, April 11, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Fee: \$40 Members / \$50 Nonmembers

Instructor: Jung Lea Smith (<http://www.jungsmith.com>)



Abstract art uses a visual language of shape, form, color, line and texture to create a composition. Yupo paper has a smooth surface which allows the user to combine colors on the paper with unique textures and to remove paint to uncover shapes. It makes for a perfect paper on which to create abstracts. Bring your watercolor supplies.

Yupo paper will be supplied. (all levels)

MCAC *Yankee Doodle Dandy*

Saturday, April 22, 2:00 pm

Free

Film features songs like "Over There" and "You're a Grand Old Flag" that were popular during WWI. This nostalgic biography is told in flashbacks to the WWI era, covering Cohan's formative years becoming Broadway's brightest star. approx. 126 minutes



College of Southern Maryland Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery

Annual Juried Student Exhibition

April 10 - May 5

Submissions Accepted from March 28 - April 1

Click [HERE](#) for Guidelines and Form

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

La Plata Fine Arts Center, 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

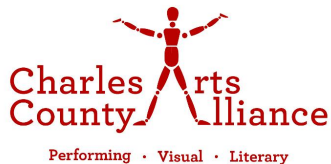


Dumpster Lines by CSM Alumna Selene La Marca

For more information, call 301-934-7828, or go

to <http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/visual-arts/hungerford-gallery/index>.

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



Charles County Government Commissioners Building

Solo Show by Renée Fuqua, through April 12, 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, March 25, 2017, from
2:00 to 4:00 pm**

Community Bank of the Chesapeake

Multi-Artist Show, through July 14, 2017

3035 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf, MD 20601

Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center

Solo Show by Sar'där Aziz, through April 13, 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 April 8, 2017

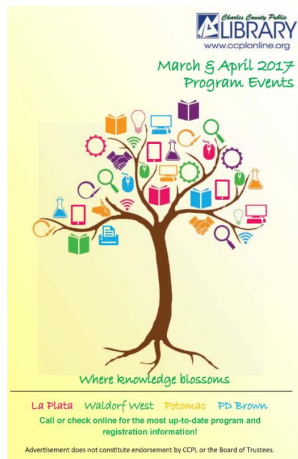
10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD 20603

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.

Charles County Library Programs

For **March/April 2017**



Get a copy of the [March/April](#) 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>.

College of Southern Maryland

Connections Literary Series

Frank X Walker, Poet

Friday, April 7, 7:30 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$3 in Advance, \$5 at the Door



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dedicated to deconstructing and forcing a new definition of what it means to be Appalachian. For more information, contact Neal Dwyer at 301-934-7864, or visit <http://www.csmd.edu/community/connections>.



[Book Groups for Ages 18+](#)

Potomac Branch Adult Book Discussion

"Pushing the Limits" discussion series brings together popular books and videos featuring authors, scientists and everyday people who thrive on exploring the natural world. This is the first of four discussions, meeting at 3225 Ruth B. Swann Drive, Indian Head, 6:00 - 7:30 pm



March 27, 2017 at 6:00 pm

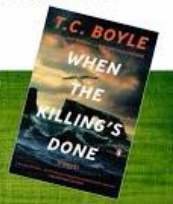
Potomac Branch Library

Drop in - No Registration Required

Join us for our monthly reading and discussion group! In March we'll focus on the theme of Pushing the Limits of Nature with the book *When the Killing's Done* by T.C. Boyle.

Questions? Call 301-375-7375 or visit the Potomac Branch.

Pushing the Limits is a reading, listening, and discussion program for adults in cooperation with local libraries. Made possible by a grant from the National Science Foundation.

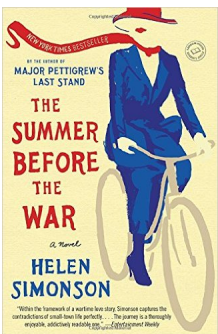


March 27: Pushing the Limits on Nature: *When the Killing's Done* by T.C. Boyle. Principally set on the wild Channel Islands off the coast of California, T.C. Boyle's novel is a gripping adventure with a timely theme. Alma Boyd Takesue is a National Park Service biologist spearheading the efforts to save the islands' native creatures from invasive species. Her antagonist, Dave LaJoy, is a local businessman who is fiercely

opposed to the killing of any animals whatsoever and will go to any lengths to subvert her plans.

P.D. Brown Library 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.

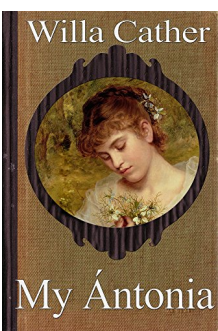


April 1: *The Summer Before the War* by Helen Simonson. East Sussex, 1914. Hugh Grange, down from his medical studies, is visiting his Aunt Agatha, who lives with her husband in the small, idyllic coastal town of Rye. Agatha has just risked her carefully built reputation by pushing for the appointment of a woman to replace the Latin master. When Beatrice Nash arrives with one trunk and several large crates of books, it is clear she is significantly more freethinking and attractive than anyone believes a Latin teacher should be. But just as Beatrice comes alive to the beauty of the Sussex landscape and the colorful characters who populate Rye, the perfect

summer is about to end. Soon the limits of progress, and the old ways, will be tested as this small Sussex town and its inhabitants go to war.

Waldorf Senior Center Afternoon Book Club

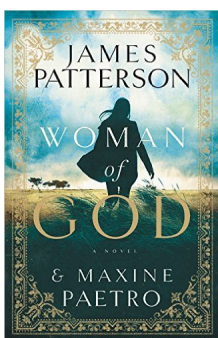
Meets on the first Wednesday of every month from 1:00 to 2:00 pm, at the Waldorf Senior Center, 3092 Crain Highway, Waldorf. For more information, contact the Waldorf Senior Center at 301-638-4420.



April 5: *My Antonia* by Willa Cather. *My Antonia* evokes the Nebraska prairie life of Willa Cather's childhood, and commemorates the spirit and courage of immigrant pioneers in America. One of Cather's earliest novels, written in 1918, it is the story of Antonia Shimerda, who arrives on the Nebraska frontier as part of a family of Bohemian emigrants. Her story is told through the eyes of Jim Burden, a neighbor who will befriend Antonia, teach her English, and follow the remarkable story of her life.

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.

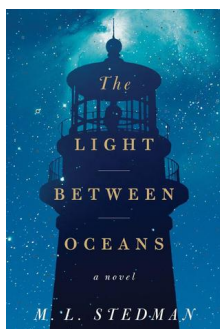


April 6: *Woman of God* by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro. The world is watching as massive crowds gather in Rome, waiting for news of a new pope, one who promises to be unlike any other in history. It's a turning point that may change the Church forever. Some followers are ecstatic that the movement reinvigorating the Church is about to reach the Vatican, but the leading candidate has made a legion of powerful enemies who aren't afraid to kill for their cause. Spanning the globe--from the drug dens, high-powered law firms, and churches of Boston to the horrific brutality of a civil war in the Sudanese desert to the beauty, violence, and spiritual

enlightenment of the Holy Land--*Woman of God* is an epic, thrilling tale of perseverance, love, trust and nothing less than what it means to live in a fallen world.

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.

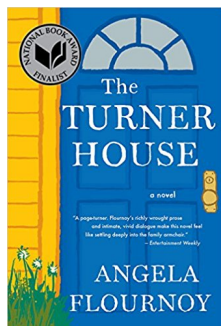


April 13: *The Light Between Oceans* by M.L. Stedman. After four harrowing years on the Western Front, Tom Sherbourne returns to Australia and takes a job as the lighthouse keeper on Janus Rock, nearly half a day's journey from the coast. To this isolated island, where the supply boat comes once a season, Tom brings a young, bold, and loving wife, Isabel. Years later, after two miscarriages and one stillbirth, the grieving Isabel hears a baby's cries on the wind. A boat has washed up onshore carrying a dead man and a living baby. Tom, who keeps meticulous records and whose moral principles have withstood a horrific war, wants to report

the man and infant immediately. But Isabel insists the baby is a "gift from God," and against Tom's judgment, they claim her as their own and name her Lucy. When she is two, Tom and Isabel return to the mainland and are reminded that there are other people in the world and their choice has devastated one of them.

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.



April 26: *The Turner House* by Angela Flournoy. For over fifty years the Turners have lived on Yarrow Street. Their house has seen 13 children get grown and gone--and some return. It has seen the arrival of grandchildren, the fall of Detroit's East Side, and the loss of a father. But when their powerful mother falls ill, the Turners are called home to decide their house's fate and to reckon with how their past haunts--and shapes--their future. *The Turner House* is a striking examination of the price we pay for our dreams, and the ways in which our families bring us home.

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Community Senior Centers

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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 [March](#) copy of *The SCOOP*, Charles County's Senior Center News, or click [here](#) to go to their website.

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About the Charles County Arts Alliance, Inc.

The mission of the Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) is to stimulate, promote, encourage, and provide recognition of the arts and the creative spirit. Founded in 1987, the CCAA promotes ALL the arts in Charles County: music, visual art, drama, dance and literature.

The CCAA is the official arts council of Charles County and is recognized as such by the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC), an agency of the Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) of the State of Maryland. In this capacity, the CCAA serves as the "umbrella" organization for the arts community in Charles County. The CCAA promotes Charles County arts organizations and individuals, provides financial support to nonprofit organizations and the schools through its annual arts grant programs, sponsors the creation and presentation of new, diverse cultural activities and special events for the community, provides arts scholarships, and ensures the Charles County's underserved population, people with disabilities, residents with limited income, minorities, and senior citizens have access to the arts. The CCAA builds partnerships with local government, the business community and the educational community, in an effort to enhance the overall quality of life for the citizens of Charles County.