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September 7, 2017

Celebrating 30 Years of Service to the Community

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!



Two Opportunities Open to Help the Arts Alliance

Thanks go out to all the organizations who responded to our call for promotion items! Now we need volunteers to help us fill the bags. Tomorrow, beginning at 10:00 am, at the United Way House Conference Room, 10250 La Plata Road, we will gather to insert all the promo goodies into 500 bags. Please contact the CCAA office if you can help!

Next, we need help during the Charles County Fair. Beginning at 5:00 pm on Thursday, September 14, and during Fair exhibit building hours through Sunday, September 17, we need volunteers to work 4-hour shifts in the P.D. Brown Building to greet guests and hand out the Fair Bags. If you wish to sign up, please contact the CCAA office at 301-392-5900, or send an email to info@charlescountyarts.org, and let us know the dates and hours you can help.

THANK YOU!!!

**Call for Artists
Waldorf West Library Gallery's Fall-Winter Show**

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August 2017 Arts Insider



Maryland Artist Registry

Deadline to Submit: September 14, 2017

Delivery Date: October 14, 2017

Show Runs until February 3, 2018

"Meet the Artists" Public Reception: October 28, 2017

Click [HERE](#) for Complete Information on Submitting Art

The Charles County Arts Alliance is now accepting submissions for the Fall-Winter Art Show, a multi-media public exhibit, to be held at the Waldorf West Library, 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD, from October 14, 2017, to February 3, 2018. The Library consists of four separate gallery spaces on two floors.

Current members of the Charles County Arts Alliance are invited to submit a maximum of two works of 2-dimensional or 3-dimensional art on any subject for consideration (there is no submission fee). Non-members are encouraged to join and be eligible to submit their art. Click [HERE](#) to download a Membership Form.

On Saturday, October 28, 2017, a "Meet the Artists" Public Reception will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, at the Waldorf West Library's Main Gallery, to honor all the artists participating in the show.

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

Arts Alliance Grant Season is Now Open! Deadlines to Submit: October 13, 2017, for CAD Grants and October 27, 2017, for AIE Grants



Over the past 30 years, the CCAA has awarded over \$700,000 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.

This year, we are offering two **mandatory** workshops: CAD Grant Training on **Wednesday, September 13**, 7:00 pm, and AIE Grant Training on **Wednesday, October 11**, 7:00 pm, both at the United Way House Conference Room, 10250 La Plata Road, La Plata, MD 20646. Application forms are available at the CCAA website: charlescountyarts.org, or click on the links below to download the applications.

Click [HERE](#) for an AIE Grant Application.

Click [HERE](#) for a CAD General Operating Grant Application.

Click [HERE](#) for a CAD Special Project Grant Application.

Maryland Artist Market Place

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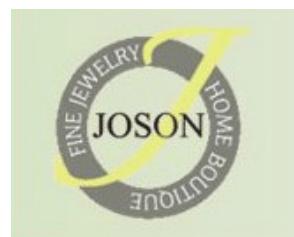


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PERFORMING ARTS {top}

Town of La Plata

Free Friday Night Concerts

Now through September 29, 7:00 pm
305 Queen Anne Street, La Plata



Concert goers are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs for sitting. Coolers are allowed, but no alcohol. Concessions are available from the Town's food trailer located near the back of the parking lot, an ice cream truck is also stationed there for your enjoyment. A play area for children, the Kids' Zone, allows parents to enjoy the concert while keeping an eye on the little ones.

With the variety of music styles ranging from country, jazz, oldies, military bands, and classic rock there is something for everyone at the La Plata Summer Concert Series. Concerts are cancelled for inclement weather. For more information, contact Colleen Wilson at cwilson@townofaplata.org.

September 8: [Dr. Robert Band](#) - Classic Rock with an emphasis on the works of the Beatles

September 15: [Three Days of Rain](#) - Today's hits, 80s, Dance, Funk, Classic Rock & Country

September 22: [Trilogy](#) - Rock, Pop, Dance, Hip hop & Country Covers with a twist

September 29: [U.S. Navy Band The Commodores](#) - Jazz

Hard Bargain Players

Bambi: A Life in the Woods

Now through September 17

Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 pm

Sundays, 3:00 pm

2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek

Tickets: \$10 Adults; \$8 Students, Seniors, Members of the Alice Ferguson Foundation



Here for the first time is a stage version of the original story of Bambi written by Austrian novelist Felix Salten in the 1920s. Bambi becomes heir to his father, the great prince. After Bambi encounters and masters for the first time the novel feelings of love, fear, loneliness and independence, he comes to understand that all of Earth's creatures are guided by a greater force than themselves and all are dependent on each other. Intertwined in this great story is Bambi's growing awareness of the fragility of the forest environment and the impact of human encroachment on all of the forest inhabitants. For more information and to reserve your tickets, visit <https://hbplayers.wordpress.com/ticket-and-performance-information/>



Chesapeake Choral Arts Society Auditions for the 2017 - 2018 Season

High School Age and Up

Monday, September 11, 6:30 pm

Peace Lutheran Church, 401 E. Smallwood Drive, Waldorf

Auditions By Appointment; Call Carol at 301-642-0594



Auditions consist of vocal warm-ups, pitch matching and vocal exercises to determine the singer's vocal range. No prepared piece is necessary. The choir meets regularly from September - June, rehearsing at Peace Lutheran Church on Monday evenings from 7:00 - 9:00 pm, and produces three different concerts throughout the season. For more information about CCAS, visit www.chesapeakechoral.com.

Charles County Youth Orchestra

Auditions

Tuesday, September 12, North Point High School, 2500 Davis Road, Waldorf

Saturday, September 16, La Plata United Methodist Church, 3 Port Tobacco Road, La Plata

Go to <http://www.ccyo.com/auditions.html> for Audition Requirements and to Schedule an Appointment



Prelude Strings is a brand new group, perfect for string players with one to two years of experience. The group will meet Tuesday evenings under the direction of Laura Ellison. **Encore Strings** is a group of advanced middle school string players, meeting Saturday mornings under the direction of Anne Marie Patterson.

Encore Band is for advanced middle school band players, meeting Wednesday evenings under the direction of Takako Mato. **Charles County Youth Orchestra** is a full symphonic orchestra of advanced high school string, wind, brass and percussion players, and is especially looking for more bass and brass players. This fall, they will be rehearsing Mozart's *Marriage of Figaro Overture*, Mussorgsky's *Night on Bald Mountain* and a Super Mario Bros. Medley. The group rehearses Tuesday evenings under the direction of Anne Marie Patterson. For more information, visit <http://www.ccyo.com>.

94th Annual Charles County Fair

Thursday - Sunday, September 14 - 17

8440 Fairground Road, La Plata

Admission: \$5 Ages 11 and Over, Children 10 and Under are Free;

4-day Passes are \$12

All school children are admitted FREE on Friday, September 15



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Corner Studio ArtWorks

All 80,000 children are admitted FREE on Friday, September 16, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Visit <http://www.charlescountyfair.com/genfairinfo.html> for Fair Hours



Exhibits as varied as livestock, field corn, arts and crafts, quilts and flowers are shown in the Greens area. Entertainment, special events, and activities for all ages as well as four stages filled with games, shows, live music, a baby show, pig races, pony rides and performers of all sorts add up to fun for the whole family. The carnival midway is full of exciting rides and contests; there's even have a "kiddie" midway for children. If you get hungry, there are plenty of choices of food vendors. And be sure to stop by the P.D. Brown Building to see the wonderful variety of fine art and photography by local artists, and to say "Hi" to the Arts Alliance! For more information about the Fair, visit <http://www.charlescountyfair.com>.

Christ Church, Old Durham Parish *North Sea Gas*

Friday, September 15, 7:00 pm
8700 Ironsides Road, Nanjemoy
Free Admission, Donations Accepted

North Sea Gas is one of Scotland's most popular folk bands with great vocals and tremendous three part harmonies. Guitars, Mandolin, Fiddle, Bouzouki, Harmonica, Whistles, Bodhrans, Banjo and good humor are all part of the entertainment. For more information, contact Carl Lockamy at 240-346-4130.



College of Southern Maryland

The Voice of the Prairie

Thursdays, September 21 and 28, 7:30 pm

Fridays, September 22 and 29, 8:00 pm

Saturday, September 23, 8:00 pm

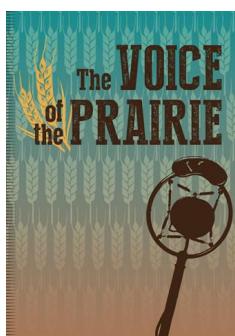
Saturday, September 30, 2:00 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theater

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

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

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



As the play begins, an old hobo, named "Poppy" by his avid companion, young Davey Quinn, is telling a tall tale. It is the early 1890s and itinerant story tellers like Poppy are the voices of the prairie. Years later, Davey is discovered by a radio entrepreneur while he is telling stories about Poppy and Frankie, a blind girl he rescued from a cruel father. Quinn becomes famous on radio as the "Voice of the Prairie." Frankie re-enters his life and the FCC threatens them all for broadcasting without a license. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

Friends of Old Waldorf School (FOWS) 11th Annual School Dayz Fundraiser

Friday, September 22; Doors Open at 6:00 pm, Buffet Dinner at 7:00 pm

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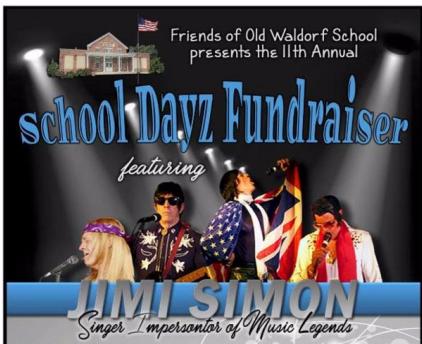
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Waldorf Jaycees G-Room
3090 Crain Highway, Waldorf
Dinner Tickets: \$50



Featured performer is Jimi Simon, singer and impersonator of music legends. To order tickets, contact Peggy Goldsmith at 301-645-5564, Sandi Middleton at 301-752-5198, or Susie Bender at 301-292-1024, or send an email to waldorfschl@adl.com. You may also visit the Waldorf School on any Wednesday, 12:30 - 7:30 pm. FOWS is a 501(c)(3) organization; all donations are tax-deductible.

The Tantallon Community Players

Little Shop of Horrors

September 22 - October 1
Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 pm
Sundays, 3:00 pm
Harmony Hall Regional Center
10701 Livingston Road, Fort Washington
Tickets: \$20 Adults; \$15 Seniors (60+), Students, Groups of 10 or more

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



(Horror/Comedy/Rock Musical) A hapless florist shop worker raises a plant that feeds on human blood and flesh. The musical is based on the low-budget 1960 comedy film. For more information, visit tantallonplayers.org

Port Tobacco Players

Hound of the Baskervilles

September 22 - October 8
Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 pm
Sundays, 3:00 pm
508 Charles Street, La Plata
Tickets: \$18 Adults; \$15 Seniors (60+), Military, Youth to 18

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Sir Henry is heir to the vast Baskerville fortune, a legacy that comes with a family curse: death at the fangs of a horror that prowls the moor. Only Sherlock Holmes can stop the beast. While mysterious lights signal Baskerville Hall and the hound terrifies the countryside, the sleuthing begins and suspicion falls on sinister servants, butterfly collectors, ladies in distress and escaped convicts. Is the supernatural at work? For more information, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819, or visit <http://www.ptplayers.com>.

Port Tobacco Players Auditions for Ages 18 and Up *Boeing Boeing*

Saturday, September 23, 9:00 am
Monday and Tuesday September 25 and 26, 7:00 pm
508 Charles Street, La Plata

Bill Adams
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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.



Synopsis: It's the 1960s, and swinging bachelor Bernard couldn't be happier: a flat in Paris and three gorgeous stewardesses all engaged to him without knowing about each other. But Bernard's perfect life gets bumpy when his friend Robert comes to stay and a new and speedier Boeing jet throws off all of his careful planning. Soon, all three stewardesses are in town simultaneously, timid Robert is forgetting which lies to tell to whom, and catastrophe looms. Auditions consist of cold readings from the script. Performance dates are January 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, February 2, 3, and 4, 2018. For more information and a complete list of roles,

visit <http://www.ptplayers.com/audition-announcement.html>.

Hard Bargain Players Concert in the Woods

Lynn & Friends

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Saturday, September 23, 8:00 - 10:00 pm

Hard Bargain Amphitheater, 2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek

Tickets: \$15 Online; \$20 at the Door (Discounts for Alice Ferguson Foundation Members)

Refreshments Available; Performance is Outdoors



A passionate singer and songwriter, Lynn Hollyfield blends her mastery of acoustic guitar and beautiful voice to create a diverse repertoire of contemporary folk, pop, blues and jazz. For more information,

visit <http://fergusonfoundation.org/events>.

The Newtowne Players

Young Frankenstein

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Friday, September 29 - Sunday, October 15

Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 pm

Sundays, 3:30 pm

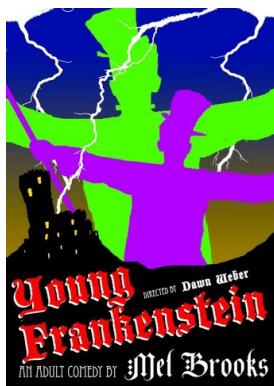
Three Notch Theatre

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park

Tickets: \$18 Adult; \$15 Senior/Student/Military

Thursdays: All Tickets \$13

Note: This is an adult comedy, intended for mature audiences.



Dr. Frankenstein aims to fulfill his grandfather's legacy by bringing a corpse back to life. With help and hindrance from servant Igor, buxom assistant Inga and needy fiancée Elizabeth, his experiment yields success and unexpected consequences. For more information, call 301-737-5447, or

visit <http://www.newtowneplayers.org>.

Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco

First Friday: Lizzie Borden Trial

Friday, October 6, 6:00 pm

Friday, October 6, 6:00 pm

Port Tobacco Courthouse

8430 Commerce Street, Port Tobacco

Admission: \$10 per person for the Show and Refreshments

Costumed actors recreate the actual trial of Lizzie Borden for the murder of her parents in 1892. Buy tickets online with PayPal at www.restoreporttobacco.wordpress.com or make a check payable to FRPT and mail it to PO Box 302, Port Tobacco, MD 20677. For more information, contact Joyce Edelen at 301-752-2354.



maryland citizens for the arts

One Voice for All the Arts in Maryland

ArtsLab: Embracing Reinvention

Thursday, October 12, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

Harmony Hall Arts Center

10701 Livingston Road, Fort Washington

Cost: \$15 per person, \$12 per person for groups of 3 or more from one organization

[REGISTER NOW!](#)

The theme of this year's conference will feature presentations by, and conversations with, artists and arts administrators that have found creative ways to adapt to the ever changing conditions of the arts sector. Keynote speaker is Michael Bobbitt, Artistic Director, Adventure Theatre MTC. Performers are Shobha Subramanian (Jayamangala), and Patrick Washington (Spoken Word Mercenary). Come and add your voice to the conversation. For more information, visit http://mdarts.org/news_events/artslab-2017.

VISUAL ARTS {top}

Southern Maryland Decorative Painters

Art Show and Paint-In

Saturday, September 9, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Charlotte Hall Library

37600 New Market Road, Charlotte Hall



Following a business meeting, Roberta Perry will lead in creating Carolyn Roach's "Painting a Merry Christmas." Guests are invited to bring a small painting (Gesso board, 12x12") to 301-231-2325.



always welcome and should contact Garnett Joy at 301-884-2835 or email smdp.LearnToPaint@gmail.com for the list of supplies needed for this project. For more information, visit smpaint.org.

**College of Southern Maryland
Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery
Rachel Schechtman: *Un-Easement*
Now through September 28
Gallery Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 am - 9:00 pm, Saturday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
La Plata Fine Arts Center, 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata
Gallery Talk: Wednesday, September 27, 2:30 pm
Learning Resource Center (LR) Building, Room 102
Free and Open to the Public**



Rachel Schechtman's work explores the body and its associated anxieties through the lens of commonplace material explorations. She most commonly uses materials that change over time. These elements crystallize, grow, wither, etc. The dynamic behavior of the materials allow her the room to both collaborate with the materials as well as be surprised by them. Rachel Schechtman is an interdisciplinary artist who lives and works in Washington, D.C. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree from The George Washington University in 2012. For more information, call 301-934-7828.

**Community Bank of the Chesapeake
*Connecting Creativity with Community: Call for Photos***

**Deadline to Submit: September 29
Click [HERE](#) for Complete Contest Rules and Submission Form**



Connect your creativity with your community and send your photos now through September 29, 2017. Thirteen unique, full colored landscapes will be selected and featured in the Bank's 2018 calendar. The winners will include a cover photo and a photo for each of the 12 months of the year, including the "People's Choice" photo selected by popular vote on their [Facebook page](#) from October 2-9, 2017. If you'd like to enter in this year's contest, send a

digital copy of your photo and completed submission form to cusicks@cbtc.com. For more information, visit cbtc.com or contact Stefanie Cusick at 240-427-1048.

Learn to Paint

Saturday, October 7, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Immaculate Conception Church Social Hall

28297 Old Village Road, Mechanicsville

FREE! Pre-registration is Open Now and Strongly Recommended!



This project is based on the design
"Beneath the Harvest Moon"
by Nancy Wood

Here's your chance to give decorative painting a try! The project is a design by Nancy Wood called "Beneath the Harvest Moon," and will be painted on an 8" x 10" canvas. You will be provided with everything you need to complete the project and an instructor will be with you every step of the way to help you. Students will learn how to trace, basecoat and use a variety of decorative painting techniques to include floating color, dry brushing and line work. Open to adults and children 11 years

and older. Children (ages 11-17) must be accompanied by an adult during the entire session. Bring a bag lunch for the 1/2 hour break at 12:30 pm. You can pre-register at Smdp.learntopaint@gmail.com by providing the name(s) of attendee(s), ages of children (11-17), email address and phone number. For more information, send an email to president@smdpaint.org or visit <http://www.smdpaint.org> or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SMDPaint>.

Patuxent River Naval Air Museum

Aerial Inspirations: The Silk Batik Works of Mary Edna Fraser

Now through October 13, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Main Exhibit Hall, 22156 Three Notch Road, Lexington Park

Admission Fees: \$9 Adults; \$7 Active Military and their Dependents, Seniors (55+); \$4 Children (Ages 5 - 12), Children Under 5 are free



The Patuxent River Naval Air Museum is proud to host an exciting display of batik works on silk by Charleston-based artist Mary Edna Fraser. From now through October 13, the main exhibit hall will be awash with large colorful batiks inspired by Mary Edna's own aerial photography. For more information, visit their [Facebook page](#).

Mattawoman Creek Art Center Exhibits and Workshops

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 Fall Brochure. Check out their Early Bird Special Rates for registering for workshops in advance!

Friday Open Studio

Now through December 15, 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.

Using Silk Paints

Tuesday, September 12, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Fee: \$75 Members / \$85 Non-members

Materials Fee: \$5 Paid to the Instructor

Instructor: Diane Tuckman



Using silk paints, learn the basics of painting on silk within a limited amount of time. Students will create five pieces of art. Basic silk painting and setting techniques will be shown as well as an introduction to product knowledge. No prior painting or art skills required.

Summer Open All-Media Show

Now through September 17



Three-Dimensional Fiber Art: Basketry

Sundays, September 17, October 22, November 5, 10:00 am - 3:30 pm

Tuition: \$10 / Fees: \$169

Instructor: Pamela King



Three baskets will be completed: Pine Needle Basket on a ceramic center, Double Wall Twined Basket embellished with wooden beads, and a Holiday Basket with Cherokee wheels and a saw-tooth border at the rim. The workshop is hosted by Mattawoman Creek Art

Center, but registration is through the College of Southern Maryland, course PEP-7490-147449. Register at www.csmd.edu/Go/Register.

Watercolor Swooshes

Wednesday, September 20, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

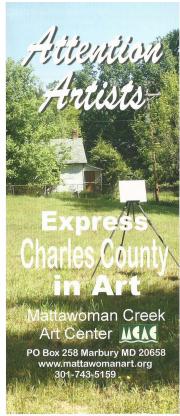
Fee: \$75 Members / \$85 Non-members

Materials Fee: \$8

Instructor: Mary Blumberg



Come join them for an exciting swoosh of watercolor. You will paint on small canvases with their delightful watercolors. No paper to glue, just fun! Think negative painting...Bring all the materials you love and be ready to create fantastic small works!



Mattawoman Creek Art Center

Express Charles County in Art

Exhibit Runs from September 22 to October 29, 2017

Friday - Sunday, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Reception and Awards: October 1, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Atmospheric Watercolors

Date Changed to Thursday, October 5, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Fee: \$75 Members, \$85 Non-members

Instructor: Peter Ulrich (www.UlrichArt.com)



Wet-into-wet watercolor offers wonderful opportunities for creating a mood or "atmosphere." Landscapes and cityscapes in the rain, fog, or haze are especially good candidates for expressive treatment by transparent washes and subtle effects. However, this approach is not limited to somber, bad-weather scenes. Bright shimmering sunlight, especially when dappled by overhead trees or sparkling on water, also lends itself to watercolor's unique effects. This workshop explores a gamut of atmospheric subjects. Students work from photographs and imagination.

On Demand: Digital Content and Time-Based Media Exhibition

Deadline to Submit: November 15, 2017, 11:59 pm EST

Click [HERE](#) for Entry Details

On Demand will be featured along with the 20+ illuminated sculptures on the 2018 BGE Light Art Walk, taking place during this year's Light City festival from April 14 through April 21, 2018, in Baltimore, Maryland. *On Demand* will host a curated program of looped video and time-based media content, exploring the range and diversity of experimental forms of cinema made locally and abroad. Creatives working across traditional and experimental short films, animations, poetronica, music videos, and other forms of digital media are encouraged to submit their existing works for consideration. For more information, visit <http://www.promotionandarts.org>.

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



Charles County Government Commissioners Building

Solo Show by Nadira Nunez, through January 10, 2018

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 January 31, 2018

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, January 20, 2018, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Community Bank of the Chesapeake

Multi-Artist Show, through December 29, 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 Renee Fuqua, through October 5, 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 October 14, 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.

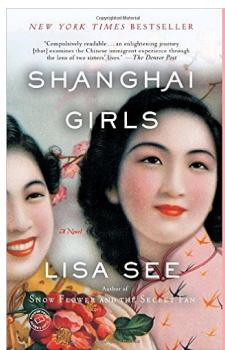
P.D. Brown Library Book Discussion Group

Saturday, September 9, 9:30 - 10:30 am

50 Village Street, Waldorf

Meets on the first Saturday of every month (Note change for September)

For more information, call 301-645-2864.



Shanghai Girls by Lisa See. In 1937 Shanghai, the Paris of Asia, 21-year-old Pearl Chin and her younger sister, May, are having the time of their lives. Both are beautiful, modern, and carefree, until the day their father tells them that he has gambled away their wealth. To repay his debts, he must sell the girls as wives to suitors who have traveled from Los Angeles to find Chinese brides. As Japanese bombs fall on their beloved city, Pearl and May set out on the journey of a lifetime, from the Chinese countryside to the shores of America. Along the way they make terrible sacrifices, face impossible choices, and confront a devastating, life-changing secret.

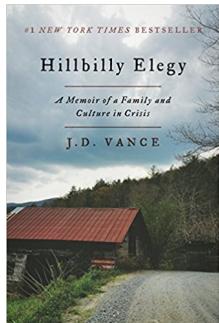
La Plata Library Book Discussion Group

Thursday, September 14, 7:00 pm

2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata

Meets on the second Thursday of every month

For more information, call 301-934-9001



Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance. From a former marine and Yale Law School graduate, a powerful account of growing up in a poor Rust Belt town that offers a broader, probing look at the struggles of America's white working class. The decline of this group, a demographic of our country that has been slowly disintegrating over forty years, has been reported on with growing frequency and alarm, but has never before been written about as searingly from the inside.

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Nuts and Bolts Gathering

Saturday, September 16, 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

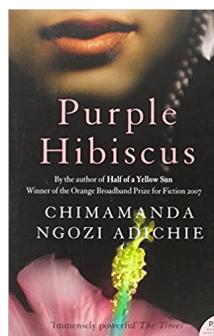
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Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, September 27, 11:00 am - Noon
Meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month
100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head.
Call 301-375-7375 for more information



Purple Hibiscus by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. This is the One Maryland One Book selection for 2017. Fifteen-year-old Kambili and her older brother Jaja lead a privileged life in Enugu, Nigeria. They live in beautiful house, with a caring family, and attend an exclusive missionary school. They're completely shielded from the troubles of the world. Yet, as Kambili reveals in her tender-voiced account, things are less perfect than they appear. As the country begins to fall apart under a military coup, Kambili and Jaja are sent to their aunt, a university professor outside the city, where they discover a life beyond the confines of their father's authority. *Purple Hibiscus* is an exquisite novel about the emotional turmoil of adolescence, the powerful bonds of family, and the bright promise of freedom.

Waldorf Senior Center Afternoon Book Club

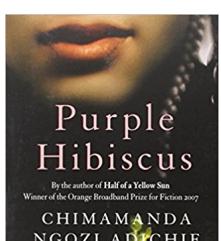
Wednesday, October 4, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
3092 Crain Highway, Waldorf
Meets on the first Wednesday of every month
For more information, call 301-638-4420



The Center of Everything by Laura Moriarty. Set in Kerrville, Kansas, the story is told by Evelyn Bucknow, an endearing character with a wholly refreshing way of looking at the world. Living with her single mother in a small apartment, Evelyn is a young girl wincing her way through adolescence. With a voice that is as charming as it is recognizable, Evelyn immerses the reader in the dramas of an entire community. The people of Kerrville, stuck at once in the middle of nowhere but also at the center of everything, are the source from which Moriarty draws on universal dilemmas of love and belief to render a story that grows in emotional intensity until it lifts the reader to heights achieved only by the finest of fiction.

Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion

Thursday, October 5, 1:00 pm
1210 Charles Street, La Plata
Meets the first Thursday of each month
For more information, call 301-934-9001



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Charles County Public Library Programs for September - October 2017



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



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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.