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December 28, 2017

Celebrating 30 Years of Service to the Community

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Call for Artists!

Waldorf West Library Gallery's Winter-Spring 2018 Show



Deadline to Submit Extended to January 5, 2018

Delivery Date: February 3, 2018

Show Runs Until June 2, 2018

"Meet the Artists" Public Reception: February 24, 2018

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

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The Charles County Arts Alliance is now accepting submissions for the Winter-Spring 2018 Art Show, a multi-media public exhibit, to be held at the Waldorf West Library, 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD, from February 3 to June 2, 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, February 24, 2018**, 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.

Maryland Citizens for the Arts

Maryland Arts Day

REGISTER NOW!

Thursday, February 22, 2018, 8:15 am - 2:00 pm

Miller Senate Building, Annapolis, MD

Early Bird Registration: \$25 until February 9, 2018

Regular: \$40 February 10 through February 16, 2018

Keynote Speaker: Adam Lerner, Museum of Contemporary Art Denver

Limited Scholarships Available. Click [HERE](#) and click on "Scholarships" for more information.



maryland citizens for the arts
One Voice for All the Arts in Maryland

Register NOW for the most important arts advocacy event of the year. Join the chorus of voices that will be making the case to Maryland

lawmakers for public funding for the arts. This exhilarating event brings together more than 500 arts advocates, artists, educators, administrators, board members, volunteers, and more from across the state. In addition to remarks from lawmakers passionate about the arts and the presentation of the annual Sue Hess Arts Advocate of the Year Award, attendees will hear from dazzling keynote speaker Adam Lerner (Director and Chief Animator, Museum of Contemporary Art Denver), and have the opportunity to champion the arts directly with their lawmakers. For more information, visit mdarts.org/events/maryland-arts-day.

Scroll down for more news on what's happening in the Arts!

PERFORMING ARTS {top}

Jay Armsworthy & Sons of the American Legion

Nothin' Fancy & Remington Ryde

Sunday, January 7, 2:00 pm (Doors Open at Noon)

American Legion Post 238, Rts. 381 and 231, Hughesville

Admission: \$20 per person, Children under 12 admitted free with a paying adult



Dinner, drinks and dessert are available for purchase. For more information, call 301-737-3004, email jaychelle1@verizon, or visit <http://www.americanlegionbluegrass.com>.

Tantallon Community Players Auditions

Hairspray

Sunday, January 7, 5:00 - 10:00 pm

Harmony Hall Regional Center

10701 Livingston Road, Fort Washington

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Charles County Public Library
the artScape

the artScape is a monthly newsletter highlighting FREE art programs at the five library branches in Charles County

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To audition, prepare 32 bars of an up tempo song and be prepared to dance. All roles are open. Performances run from June 1 -10, 2018. For more information, contact Jonathan Jackson through <https://www.tantallonplayers.org/auditions>.



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Chesapeake Choral Arts Society Auditions for the 2018 - 2019 Season

High School Age Singers and Older
Monday, January 8 and 15, 6:30 pm (Alternate dates can be arranged)

Peace Lutheran Church
11610 Rubina Place, Waldorf



Auditions will consist of vocal warm-ups, pitch matching and vocal exercises to determine the singer's vocal range. 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. To schedule an audition, contact Carol at 301-642-0594. For more information about CCAS, visit www.chesapeakechoral.com.

Indian Head Center for the Arts Black Box Theatre The Movement: 50 Years of Love and Struggle

Thursday - Friday, January 11 - 12, 7:00 pm **Buy Tickets Now!**
4185 Indian Head Highway, Indian Head
Tickets: \$20 Adults; \$15 Students, Active Military; \$10 Seniors



One man - ten characters - the past 50 years of the Black experience in America. For more information, call 301-743-3040, or visit indianheadblackbox.org.

Port Tobacco Players Boeing Boeing

January 19 - February 4, 2018 **Buy Tickets Now!**
Friday - Saturday, 8:00 pm
Sunday, 3:00 pm
508 Charles Street, La Plata
Tickets: \$18 Adults, \$15 Seniors (60+), Youth to 18, Military



(Comedy) 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. A riotous farce! For more information, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819 or visit ptplayers.com.

College of Southern Maryland
Auditions Open for Ages 18 and Up
 Monday - Tuesday, January 22 - 23, 6:00 pm
 La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre
 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata



Open auditions for these productions:

- **Journey's End** (Cause Theatre)
- **The Impostures of Scapin** (Renaissance Festival)

Prepare a one-minute monologue. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

Travel Ticker

The Newtowne Players

A Streetcar Named Desire

Friday, January 26 - Sunday, February 11, 2018

Thursday - Friday - Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:30 pm

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park

Tickets: \$15 Adults; \$12 Seniors (65+), Students, Military

\$10 Children 12 and Under

Thursday: All Tickets \$10

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

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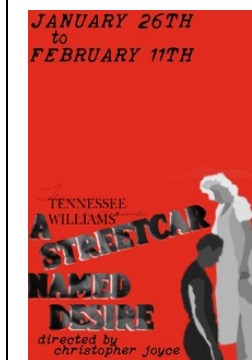
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The play reveals to the very depths the character of Blanche du Bois, a woman whose life has been undermined by her romantic illusions, which lead her to reject and ignore the realities of life. For more information, visit <https://www.newtowneplayers.org>.

Port Tobacco Players Auditions Open for Ages 18 and Up

Calendar Girls

Monday, January 29, 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 3, 10:00 am

Monday, February 5, 7:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Port Tobacco Players
presents

CALENDAR GIRLS

MAY 4 - 20, 2018
ptplayers.com

Synopsis: (Comedy) Based on a true story, members of the Women's Institute in Yorkshire, England, prepare and publicize an unusual "alternative calendar" to raise funds for leukemia research. Auditions consist of cold readings from the script. Performance dates are Saturdays and Sundays, May 4 to 20, 2018. For more information and a complete list of characters, visit <http://www.ptplayers.com/audition-announcement.html>, or contact the producer, Kathy Mead, at 240-346-6448.

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College of Southern Maryland

Call for Performers for the 6th Annual Renaissance Festival

Performer Worksheets Must Be Submitted by February 28

La Plata Campus, 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Festival dates: April 21 - 22, 2018



Actors and musicians needed! You could wander the festival with your talent and entertain the people! Street performers are vital for creating an immersive experience at a Renaissance festival. Town Folk and Wandering Talent will be trained in the basics of street performance and improvisation by someone with 19 years of experience performing at Renaissance

Festivals. Evening and weekend rehearsals will be required. Contact the Renaissance Festival Director, Erin Timmermann, at etimmermann@csm.edu.

VISUAL ARTS {top}

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 Addison Likins, through January 2018
5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646
Gallery hours: Daily, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Waldorf West Library

Multi-Artist Show, through February 3, 2018
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.

Click [here](#) for the downloadable form to join or renew by mail.

Thank you for supporting the Charles County Arts Alliance! Your donation is 100 percent tax deductible.

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

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LITERARY ARTS [{top}](#)

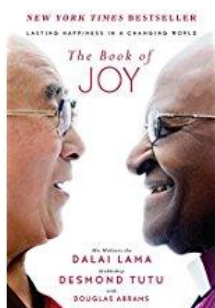
Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion

Thursday, January 4, 1:00 pm

1210 Charles Street, La Plata

Meets the first Thursday of each month

For more information, call 301-934-9001



***The Book of Joy: Happiness in a Changing World* by Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu.** In April 2015, Archbishop Tutu traveled to the Dalai Lama's home in Dharamsala, India, to celebrate His Holiness's eightieth birthday and to create what they hoped would be a gift for others. They looked back on their long lives to answer a single burning question: How do we find joy in the face of life's inevitable suffering? This book offers the opportunity to experience their astonishing and unprecedented week together, from the first embrace to the final good-bye.

P.D. Brown Library Book Discussion Group

Saturday, January 6, 9:30 - 10:30 am

50 Village Street, Waldorf

Meets on the first Saturday of every month

For more information, call 301-645-2864



Self-Selected Poetry. Bring in a favorite poem or two to share with the group. Original compositions welcomed.

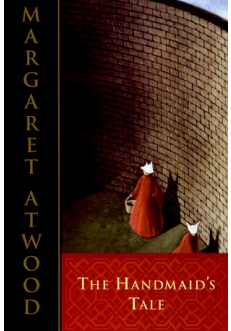
La Plata Library Book Discussion Group

Thursday, January 11, 7:00 pm

2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata

Meets on the second Thursday of every month

For more information, call 301-934-9001



The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood. After a staged terrorist attack kills the President and most of Congress, the government is deposed and taken over by the oppressive and all controlling Republic of Gilead. Offred, now a Handmaid serving in the household of the enigmatic Commander and his bitter wife, can remember a time when she lived with her husband and daughter and had a job, before she lost even her own name. Despite the danger, Offred learns to navigate the intimate secrets of those who control her every move, risking her

life in breaking the rules in hopes of ending this oppression.

Life Journeys Writers Guild

Big Quarterly Meeting!

Saturday, January 20, 2018, 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

Free! Donations Accepted!



Empower yourself by writing! Meet with the experts to improve your writing skills, glean from their guest speakers, enjoy networking, food and more. For more information, visit lifejourneyswritersguild.org or contact Yvonne Medley at 240-427-5594, or email info@lifejourneyswritersguild.org.

Life Journeys Writers Guild

Readers Lead! Leaders Read! But Writers Rule the World!

Four Sessions!

Tuesdays, January 23, 30, February 6 and 13, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

3261 Old Washington Road, Suite 2020, Waldorf

Registration Required. Fee: \$30 per Session

Deadline to Register: Friday Before Each Class

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In these classes, you will discover how to perfect your elevator speech, self-branding and presentation, story creation, publishing industry knowledge, critical thinking/persuasiveness/ communication skills, purpose and literary passion, and much more! This class is a must for business owners, and aspiring entrepreneurial adults and young adults. For more information, call Yvonne Medley at 240-427-5594, or info@lifejourneyswritersguild.org.

Writers of Color Book Club

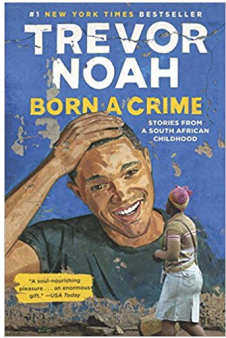
Tuesday, January 23, 6:30 pm

Meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month

P.D. Brown Library

50 Village Street, Waldorf

For more information, call 301-645-2864



Born A Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood by Trevor Noah. This is the true story of a mischievous young boy who grows into a restless young man as he struggles to find himself in a world where he was never supposed to exist. It is also the story of that young man's relationship with his fearless, rebellious, and fervently religious mother -- his teammate, a woman determined to save her son from the cycle of poverty, violence, and abuse that would ultimately threaten her own life.

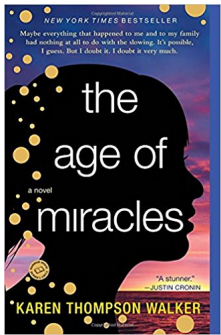
Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, January 24, 11:00 am - Noon

Meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month

100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head.

Call 301-375-7375 for more information



Age of Miracles by Karen Thompson Walker. On an ordinary Saturday, Julia awakes to discover that something has happened to the rotation of the earth. The days and nights are growing longer and longer, gravity is affected, the birds, the tides, human behavior and cosmic rhythms are thrown into disarray. In a world of danger and loss, Julia faces surprising developments in herself, and her personal world --divisions widening between her parents, strange behavior by Hannah and other friends, the vulnerability of first love, a sense of isolation, and a rebellious new strength.

COMMUNITY ARTS {top}

Community Senior Centers

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



The Department of Community Services operates each of the County's Senior Centers, where citizens 60 and older may access a variety of programs and services, including: Social/Recreational activities, Clubs, Special Events, Trips, Nutritious Lunches, Health and Screenings Programs, Health Scope/Visit the Nurse, Educational programs, Physical Fitness programs, Creative Arts, and Computer Lab/Classes. For more activities and events, get the [January](#) copy of *The SCOOP*, Charles County's Senior Center News, or click [here](#) to go to their website.

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category-creating service that partners with public libraries across North America to provide online and mobile access to thousands of Movies, TV Shows, Music, eBooks, Audiobooks and Comics. With hoopla, you can borrow, instantly stream and download free dynamic content with your library card, and the best part... no late fees! Each cardholder is allowed six checkouts per month. All content is accessible via hoopla's mobile app and online at hoopladigital.com.

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Mailing Address: PO Box 697, White Plains, MD 20695

Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, 10250 La Plata Road, La Plata, MD 20646

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.