



Arts Newsflash

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December 7, 2017

Celebrating 30 Years of Service to the Community

Call for Artists! Waldorf West Library Gallery's Winter-Spring 2018 Show



Deadline to Submit: December 29, 2017

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

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.

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

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PERFORMING ARTS {top}

Grace Christian Academy

Alice in Wonderland

December 7 - 8, 7:00 pm

Old Waldorf School

3074 Crain Highway, Waldorf



Kid-friendly theatre! Come to Grace Christian Academy's *Alice in Wonderland* play on December 7 and 8, at 7:00 pm! Purchase your ticket to *Wonderland* at the door beginning 45 minutes before the event. Adults \$12; Seniors \$9; Students \$6; 3 & Under Free. Location: Old Waldorf School, 3074 Crain Highway, Waldorf,

MD 20601. **Hurry: Wonderland awaits!** For more information, call 301-645-0406.

Chesapeake Choral Arts Society

A Renaissance Christmas

Thursday, December 7, 7:30 pm, Concert Only, Free Admission, Donations Accepted to the Church

Friday - Saturday, December 8 - 9, 6:30 pm

Dinner and Concert, Tickets: \$40 Adult; \$35

Student. Senior, Military, Seating Limited

Sunday, December 10, 3:30 pm, Desserts Follow, Tickets: \$15

Adult; \$12 Student, Senior, Military

Peace Lutheran Church, 11610 Rubina Place, Waldorf

Buy Tickets Now!



Performed in period dress, you will be taken back to the time of great feasts in great halls with the joy and merriment of the Christmas Season. With their Procession of the Court into the Banquet Hall with *Masters in This Hall*, you will transported to the world of Elizabeth I. Many well-known Christmas Cards as well as a few modern Carols will put you in the Spirit of the Season. Visit chesapeakechoral.com to purchase a ticket by date, or call 301-642-0594.

The Newtowne Players

'Twas the Night Before Christmas

December 8 - 10

Friday, 8:00 pm

Saturday, 3:30 and 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:30 pm

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park

Tickets: \$15 Adult; \$12 Senior (65+), Military; \$10 Children (12 and Under)

Buy Tickets Now!

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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

Charles County Public Library November - December 2017 Programs

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The wild holiday adventures of a mouse, an elf, and a spunky little girl who just won't take no for an answer, on their quest to find out why Santa missed their house last year. A joyful tribute to the holiday season! For more information, visit <https://www.newtowneplayers.org>.



Port Tobacco Players

The Christmas Schooner

Now through Sunday, December 17

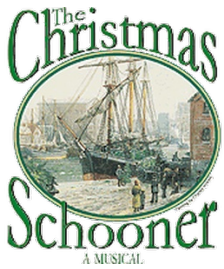
Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 pm

Sundays, 3:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

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

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



The whole family will enjoy this heart-warming story of the first Christmas tree ship and the family who risked their lives to fill Chicago with the Christmas spirit. Based on the historic Great Lakes voyages of Christmas tree ships during the late 1800s and early 1900s, *The Christmas Schooner* tells the true story of a Michigan shipping captain who braves the deadly winter weather to bring Christmas trees to homesick German-American families in turn-of-the-century

Chicago. His voyages become a yearly tradition, despite his wife's misgivings - until a fateful voyage makes her realize the true importance of his mission. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819.



Chameleon John

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College of Southern Maryland

Latin Ensemble Concert

Saturday, December 9, 8:00 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$5 in Advance and for Military, Seniors (65 and over)

Youth of High School Age and Below; \$7 Day of the Concert

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



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CSM's Latin Ensemble Ritmo Caché, directed by Dr. Stephen Johnson, specializes in Salsa, Mexican, Afro-Cuban, Merengue, Latin Jazz, and other musical styles of Latin America. For more information, visit csmd.edu/community/the-arts/music/latin-ensemble/index.



Indian Head Center for the Arts Presents

A Hickory Dickory Dark Production

A Dickens of a Mystery: Holiday Dinner Theater

Sunday, December 10, 4:30 - 8:00 pm

Mama Stella's Ristorante Italiano

7075 Indian Head Highway, Bryans Road

Tickets: Singles \$40, Couples \$75

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)





Enjoy an evening of murder, mystery, mayhem and a meal! For more information, call 301-743-3040, or visit www.indianheadblackbox.org.



College of Southern Maryland

Winter Dance Performance

Monday, December 11, 7:30 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

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

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

 PNC BANK



Whether it's a Balanchine ballet, or breaking, locking, and popping, CSM's Dance Ensemble performs a variety of pieces to appeal to all lovers of dance. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or visit <https://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/theatre-and-dance/dance/index>.

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The Newtowne Players Auditions

God's Favorite

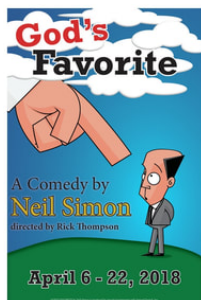
Wednesday, December 13, 7:00 pm

Thursday, December 14, 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 16, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Three Notch Theatre

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park



Synopsis: Long Island cardboard box tycoon Joe Benjamin is a modern-day Job who has a demanding wife, ungrateful children and wise-cracking employees. Through it all, Benjamin maintains a solid religious faith. Then one night he is visited by a messenger from God in the person of Sidney Lipton, a compulsive film buff with a mission to test Joe's faith. Roles open for five men and three women, ranging in age from mid-20s to late 60s. Performance dates: April 6 - 22, 2018.

Visit <https://www.newtowneplayers.org/auditions.html> for the complete list of characters. For more information, contact director Rick Thompson at 410-610-6943 or thompsonr@md.net.

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Music Student Honors Recital

Thursday, December 14, 2:30 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Free Admission



Each semester, CSM's private studio teachers recommend their most accomplished students for performance in this recital to celebrate their individual musical accomplishments. The recitals feature a diversity of musical styles ranging from classical instrumental and vocal music to popular and jazz renditions for piano, guitar, voice, or other instruments. The Honors Recitals represent the highest level of musicianship in the CSM music program. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or visit <http://www.csmd.edu/Arts>.

College of Southern Maryland
Chorale, Chamber Choir and Barbershop Concert

Friday, December 15, 8:00 pm
La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre
8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata
Tickets: \$5 Adults when purchased in advance, \$7 day of the concert; \$5 Seniors, Military, and Youth of High School Age and Below

Buy Tickets Now!



Enjoy a special concert with CSM's Chorale a mixed choir of women's and men's voices that perform a variety of styles; Southern Mix, a men's barbershop chorus; and the Chamber Choir, a select choir that performs a variety of small choir styles. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or visit <http://www.csmd.edu/Arts>.

College of Southern Maryland
Holiday Jazz Concert

Saturday, December 16, 8:00 pm
La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre
8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata
Tickets: \$5 Adults when purchased in advance, \$7 day of the concert;
\$5 Seniors, Military, Youth of High School Age and Below

Buy Tickets Now!



Solid Brass, CSM's jazz ensemble, comprised of CSM students, local high school students, community members and professional musicians, will present its Holiday Jazz Concert. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or visit <http://www.csmd.edu/Arts>.

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VISUAL ARTS {top}

Annamarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center

Artists in Action: Call for Artists

January 19 - February 28, 2018

Deadline to Apply: December 8, 2017

13480 Dowell Road, Dowell (Solomons), MD

Click [HERE](#) for Complete Application Details



Annmarielandscape Garden & Arts Center, in association with the Smithsonian Institution, is accepting applications for their resident program. From January

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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.

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

19 - February 28, 2017, Annmarie's Main Gallery will be transformed into temporary artist studios, providing a serene retreat and experimental space for artists to develop new works, display and sell their work, network with other artists, and share their creative process with visitors. Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center seeks artists working in any media to submit proposals to set up a working studio space in the Main Gallery for 1-2 week periods. For more information and to apply online, go to annmariegarden.org or call 410-326-4640, or email exhibits@annmariegarden.org.

Streets of Upper Marlboro

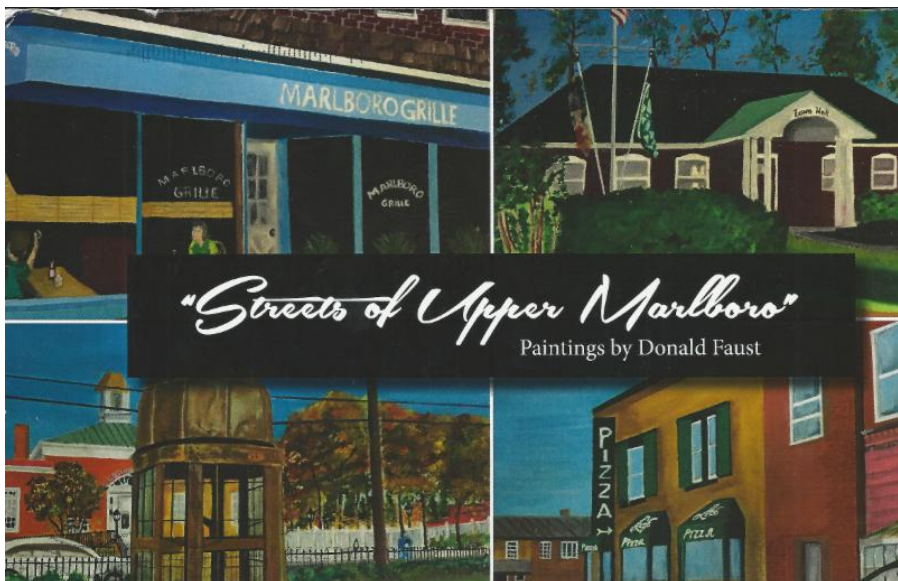
Paintings by Donald Faust

Now through December 9

Harmony Hall Concert Foyer

10701 Livingston Road, Fort Washington

Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday, 7:45 am - 7:45 pm; Saturday, 10:00 am - 3:45 pm; Closed Sundays



"Streets of Upper Marlboro"
Paintings by Donald Faust

For more information, call 301-203-6070.

JarrettThor Fine Arts Gallery

Fleeting Moments: Solo Show by Vicki Marckel

Now through December 17

100 Taylor Street, Colonial Beach, VA 22443

Gallery Hours: Thursday - Sunday, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, or by appointment



For this exhibit, Vicki has noticed that experiences are a collection of moments that captivate our senses. She has focused on capturing how the light illuminates the scene through vivid color selection and texture within her work. In addition to the many landscapes it contains, the exhibit shows light use in cityscapes and still life. For more information, call 804-224-7200, or visit jarretthor.com.

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.

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.

MCAC Holiday Salon and Small Works Show

Now through December 17
Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

MCAC Mattawoman Creek Art Center **MCAC**
November 3 - December 17, 2017

Holiday Salon Reception Sun. Nov. 5 Small Works Show
Arts and Crafts *Holiday Photos with Santa & Horse* *Affordable Fine Art*

Bring your camera or cell phone.
Capture your child sitting on
Southern Md. Carousel Horse
Miss Scarlet with Santa.

MCAC Holiday Salon and Small Works Show (Nov. 3 - Dec. 17)

You are welcome to join us for the Holiday Tea on Sun., Nov. 19 or during the Charles County Holiday Trail Dec. 1 & 2.

Here's your opportunity to buy art from local artists! Great Christmas gifts for yourself and friends. This year, MCAC added a Small Works Show to its Holiday Salon.

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



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.

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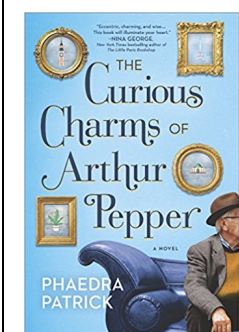
Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion

Thursday, December 7, 1:00 pm

1210 Charles Street, La Plata

Meets the first Thursday of each month

For more information, call 301-934-9001



***The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper* by Phaedra**

Patrick. Sixty-nine-year-old Arthur Pepper lives a simple life. He gets out of bed at precisely 7:30 am, just as he did when his wife, Miriam, was alive. He dresses in the same gray slacks and mustard sweater vest, waters his fern, Frederica, and heads out to his garden. But on the one-year anniversary of Miriam's death, something changes. Sorting through Miriam's possessions, Arthur finds an exquisite gold charm bracelet he's never seen before. What follows is a surprising and unforgettable odyssey that takes Arthur from London to Paris and as far as India in an epic quest to find out the truth about his wife's secret life

before they met, a journey that leads him to find hope, healing and self-discovery in the most unexpected places.

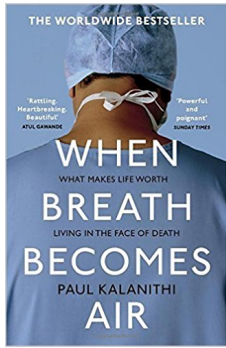
La Plata Library Book Discussion Group

Thursday, December 14, 7:00 pm

2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata

Meets on the second Thursday of every month

For more information, call 301-934-9001



When Breath Becomes Air by Paul Kalanithi. At the age of thirty-six, on the verge of completing a decade's worth of training as a neurosurgeon, Paul Kalanithi was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer. One day he was a doctor treating the dying, and the next he was a patient struggling to live. And just like that, the future he and his wife had imagined evaporated. What makes life worth living in the face of death? What do you do when the future, no longer a ladder toward your goals in life, flattens out into a perpetual present? What does it mean to have a child, to nurture a new life as another fades away? These are some of the questions Kalanithi wrestles with in this

profoundly moving memoir.

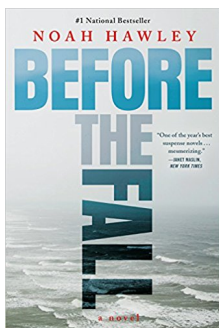
Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, December 20, 11:00 am - Noon (Note Change for December)

Meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month

100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head.

Call 301-375-7375 for more information



Before the Fall by Noah Hawley. On a foggy summer night, eleven people—ten privileged, one down-on-his-luck painter—depart Martha's Vineyard on a private jet headed for New York. Sixteen minutes later, the unthinkable happens: the plane plunges into the ocean. The only survivors are the painter Scott Burroughs and a four-year-old boy, who is now the last remaining member of an immensely wealthy and powerful media mogul's family. Was it by chance that so many influential people perished? Or was something more sinister at work?

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

Poetry

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

Writers of Color Book Club

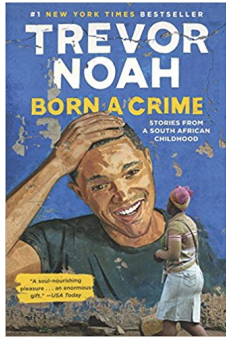
Tuesday, January 23, 6:30 pm (No December Meeting)

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.

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 [December](#) 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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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.