

Arts Newsflash

Charles County Arts Alliance

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March 29, 2018

Celebrating 30 Years of Service to the Community

ArtsFest is Coming!



Saturday, June 9
11:00 am - 5:00 pm
La Plata Town Hall
305 Queen Anne
Street,
La Plata, MD

Call for Artist, Exhibitor, and Food Vendors Early Bird Registration Ends April 15

The 26th annual ArtsFest will be held on Saturday, June 9, 2018, 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 seventh year to present the festival in partnership with the Town of La Plata.

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 to distribute information on their products and services. Live entertainment on two stages takes place beginning at noon, and a variety of great food will be available for purchase throughout the day.

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

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

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Funding for ArtsFest is provided, in part, by the County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland.

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Arts Insider Newsletter

Call for Artists Waldorf West Library Gallery's Summer - Fall 2018 Show



Deadline to Submit: April 20, 2018
Show Runs From June 2 to October 13, 2018
"Meet the Artists" Public Reception: June 23, 2018
Click [HERE](#) for Complete Submission Details

The Charles County Arts Alliance is now accepting submissions for the Summer-Fall 2018 Art Show, a multi-media public exhibit, to be held at the Waldorf West Library, 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD, from June 2, 2018, to October 13, 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](#) for a membership form.

For more information, contact the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900 or info@charlescountyarts.org.

Merriweather District Artist-in-Residence Program

Howard County

Deadline to Apply: April 7, 2018



The Howard County Arts Council announces the new collaboration with the Howard Hughes Corporation to establish the Merriweather District Artist-in-Residence Program (MD AIR) - in Howard County. Up to 3 artists will receive a \$10,000 stipend, studio space, and living space to create new work from June 1 - July 31, 2018, in their community. MD AIR is open to local, national and international artists working in all media including, but not limited to, performance, video, 2-D and 3-D visual arts, dance, music, and the spoken word; priority consideration will be given to artists exploring light,

music, technology and/or interactivity in their work. For more information, go to hocoarts.submittable.com/submit/e995fe0c-473b-429b-a4d0-8deef5ce98f9/merriweather-district-artist-in-residence-program.

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highlighting FREE art programs at the
five library branches in Charles County*

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The Tin Woman

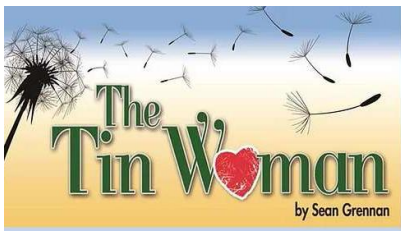
Friday, March 30, 8:00 pm

Saturday, March 31, 3:00 and 8:00 pm

4185 Indian Head Highway, Indian Head

Tickets: \$15 Adults; \$12 Seniors, Students, Military; \$9 Children 12 and Under

Buy Tickets Now!



Instead of relishing life after her heart transplant, Joy enters a downward spiral, unsure whether she truly deserves a second chance. Meanwhile, Alice and Hank mourn the loss of their son, Jack, whose heart was used to save Joy. At a friend's urging, Joy tracks down Jack's family to find closure. But are Alice and

Hank, and their daughter Sammy ready to accept Jack's death? Based on a true story, *The Tin Woman* uses humor and pathos to explain loss, family, and what it means to be given new life. For more information, visit indianheadblackbox.org.

College of Southern Maryland, La Plata

15th Annual JazzFest

Friday - Saturday, April 6 - 7, 8:00 pm

Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Advance Tickets: \$5 Adults, Seniors, Military, Youth of High School Age and Below; Day of the Concert: \$7 Adults

Buy Tickets Now!



Performances by CSM's Solid Brass Big Band Jazz Ensemble with special guest artist composer/arranger and bassist Kris Berg. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

The Newtowne Players

God's Favorite

Friday, April 6 to Sunday, April 22

Thursday - Friday - Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:30 pm

Three Notch Theatre

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park

Tickets: \$15 Adults; \$12 Seniors (65+), Student, Military; \$10 Children 12 and Under; Thursday Shows: All Tickets are \$10

Buy Tickets Now!



Charles County MARYLAND
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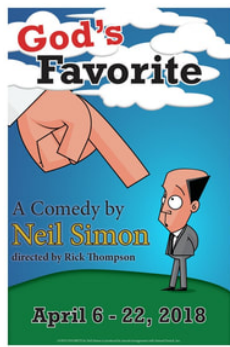


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Complete Family Music Center — School Band Rental Program, Rental, Sales, Service, New & Used



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Long Island cardboard box tycoon Joe Benjamin is a modern-day Job in this hilarious comedy. He has a demanding wife, ungrateful children and wise-cracking employees, but through it all 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 and report back to "the Boss." For more information, go to newtowneplayers.org

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Charles County Public Library

Port Tobacco Players
Jesus Christ Super Star

Now through April 9
Fridays, Saturdays, 8:00 pm
Sundays, 3:00 pm
508 Charles Street, La Plata
Tickets: \$18 Adults; \$15 Seniors (60+), Youth to 18, Military



(Musical) This rock opera is set against the backdrop of an extraordinary and universally known series of events but seen, unusually, through the eyes of Judas Iscariot. Loosely based on the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, *Superstar* follows the last week of Jesus Christ's life. The story, told entirely through song, explores the personal relationships and struggles between Jesus, Judas, Mary Magdalene, his disciples, his followers and the Roman Empire. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-932-6819.

College of Southern Maryland, Prince Frederick
Ward Virts Concert Series

Holly Roadfeldt, Piano
Sunday, April 8, 3:00 pm
Building B, Multipurpose Room 104
115 J.W. Williams Road, Prince Frederick
Free and Open to the Public



Since making her orchestral debut with the Toledo Symphony Orchestra at the age of 13, Holly Roadfeldt has continued to be an active solo pianist and chamber musician performing standard and eclectic recital programs in the United States, Europe, and Asia. Holly currently teaches at Lafayette College and serves as Artist Faculty at The Music School of Delaware. For more information, visit <https://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/music/ward-virts-series/index>.

Maurice J. McDonough High School
High School Musical

Thursday - Friday; April 12 - 13, 7:00 pm
Saturday, April 14, 2:00 and 7:00 pm
7165 Marshall Corner Road, Pomfret
Tickets: \$10 Adults; \$8 Students, Seniors, Military; \$7 Children under 5 and Thespians with ID



HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

Jock Troy and new girl Gabriella plan to audition together for the school play, but won't succeed if Queen Bee Sharpay has anything to say about it. Troy, Gabriella and their friends explore themes of friendship, first love and acceptance. For more information, visit mcdonoughdrama.com or email jhey1@ccboc.com.

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College of Southern Maryland, La Plata

Barbershop Extravaganza

Saturday, April 14, 4:00 pm

Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Advance Tickets: \$5 Adults, Seniors, Military, Youth of High

School Age and Below; Day of the Concert: \$7 Adults

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Southern Mix, under the direction of Paul Douglass, is a men's barbershop chorus consisting of community members and CSM students taking the ensemble for credit. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

Chesapeake Choral Arts Society

The End of the Great War

Saturday, April 14, 7:30 pm

Sunday, April 15, 3:30 pm

Port Tobacco Players Theater

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Tickets: \$15 Adults; \$12 Students, Seniors, Military

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



In 1918, on the eleventh day of the eleventh month at the eleventh hour, the Armistice was signed to end "The War to End All Wars," "The Great War. Unfortunately, the end of World War I was not the end to struggles throughout the world, but it was a turning point for music and pop culture in America. Join

the Chesapeake Choral Arts Society as they commemorate the end of the Great War and explore what music and culture were like before the war, during the war and after the war. This will be a multi-media production with songs, photos, reading of letters from home and pictures of the era. For more information, visit <http://www.chesapeakechoral.com/the-end-of-the-great-war.html> or call 301-642-0594.

Henry E. Lackey High School

Pajama Game

Thursday - Friday - Saturday, April 19 - 20 - 21, 6:30 pm

3000 Chicamuxen Road, Indian Head

Tickets: \$8 Adults; \$7 Students, Seniors, Military; \$6 Thespians with ID



Things at the Sleep-Tite Pajama Factory are restless when the new superintendent, Sid Sorokin, clashes with Babe Williams, the head of the union grievance committee. Sparks fly between the two and come to a head when Williams and the workers strike for a 7.5 percent pay increase. The strike sets off a conflict between management and labor while igniting a battle of the sexes. For more information, contact the school at 301-743-5431.

North Point High School

The Addams Family

Thursday - Friday, April 19 - 20, 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 21, 1:00 and 7:00 pm

2500 Davis Road, Waldorf

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



They're creepy and they're kooky, mysterious and spooky. Spend a couple of hours with Morticia and Gomez as they deal with their 18-year-old daughter, Wednesday, who has fallen in love with a nice boy from a respectable family. For more information, call the school at 301-753-1759.

College of Southern Maryland, La Plata

6th Annual Renaissance Festival

Friday, April 20, 7:00 pm - "The Impostures of Scapin"

Saturday, April 21 - Festival: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm; "The Impostures of Scapin": 2:00 and 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 22 - Festival: 11:00 am - 4:00 pm; "The Impostures of Scapin": 3:00 pm

Fine Arts Center Theatre and Lawn

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Admission to the Festival is Free; Tickets for the Play are \$10

Activities are either free or priced by the vendor

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Travel back in time when lords ruled and peasants pleased, all in the language and costumes of Shakespeare. In "The Impostures of Scapin" by Molière, two fathers are absent when Octave secretly marries Hyacinthe and Léandre secretly falls in love with Zerbinette. But then the fathers return from a trip with their own marriage plans for their respective sons.

Scapin, after hearing many pleas for help, comes to the rescue. Thanks to many tricks and lies, Scapin manages to come up with enough money from the parents to make sure that the young couples get to stay married. But, no one knows who Hyacinthe and Zerbinette really are. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

Westlake High School

Joseph Wimberly

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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.

Sister Act

Thursday - Friday - Saturday, April 26 - 27 - 28, 7:00 pm

3300 Middletown Road, Waldorf

Tickets: \$8 Adults; \$6 Students, Seniors



Singer Deloris Van Cartier goes on the run from her married gangster boyfriend after witnessing him commit a murder. Working with police, Deloris hides out in a convent whose parish is in trouble. Struggling to fit in without her sequins and heels, she takes over the choir bringing life back into the

parish while finding a true sisterhood. For more information, call the school at 301-645-8857.

Flute Choir of Southern Maryland

"Welcome Spring" Concert

Saturday, April 28, 7:00 pm

Christ Church

112 E. Charles Street, La Plata

Free and Open to the Public, Donations Accepted



The selections include *Flute Joy* and *Free as a Child* by Jonathan Cohen, Charles Griffes' *Poem*, and Catherine Michaels' *Gaelic Offering*. For more information, contact Lucy Snell at ljsnell@comcast.net.

Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC)

Artist in Residence Grant Applications Available

Deadline to Apply: 5:00 pm, May 18, 2018

To Apply: <http://msac.egrant.net>



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The MSAC's Artist in Residence (AiR) program provides grants to Maryland schools that cover half the cost of a teaching artist residency in a particular school. Maryland schools are invited

to browse the MSAC's AiR Roster to select an MSAC Artist in Residence. The school then applies for a grant from the MSAC that covers half the cost of the residency.

The AiR Program provides opportunities for hands-on intensive workshops involving a small core group of students and teachers over a number of days or weeks. A larger group benefits from additional activities including the artist's lectures, performances, and demonstrations, and through projects developed by classroom teachers with the artists' assistance.

Residencies are available in: dance, multi-discipline, music, puppetry, theater, playwriting, poetry, architecture, ceramics, doll making/puppet making, fiber arts, glass, handmade paper/books/artist books, media, mixed media, murals, photography, sculpture, site-specific installation, and two-dimensional art. For more information, contact the AiE Program Director, Chris Stewart, at christine.stewart1@maryland.gov.

College of Southern Maryland Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery

Masters of the Universe

Now through April 4

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

Free and Open to the Public



The exhibit features artwork celebrating the myth, magic and marketing of a Mattel Toy masterpiece with works by Chris Bishop, Bonner Sale, and Andrew Wodzianski. For more information, visit csmd.edu/community/the-arts/visual-arts/hungerford-gallery/index.

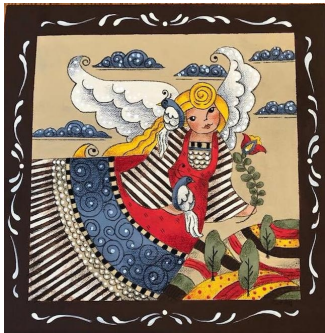
Southern Maryland Decorative Painters

Meeting and Paint-In

Saturday, April 14, 9:30 am

Immaculate Conception Church (Hall behind the Church)

28297 Old Village Road, Mechanicsville



After the meeting, Cordy Dickson will lead an Erica Joanne project titled "On Healing Wings." Guests are always welcome and should contact Garnett Joy at 301-884-2835 or smdp.LearnToPaint@gmail.com for the list of supplies required for the project.



Mattawoman Creek Art Center *Workshop: Beginning Alcohol Inks with Pat Troiani*



Saturday, April 21, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Deadline to Register: April 7

Fee: \$100, Includes All Supplies and Lunch



Smallwood State Park, 5565 Upham Place, Marbury

Admission is Free for MCAC Visitors; inform the Park



Ranger when entering the Park

Register by Email at

TwoRiversArtWorkshops@gmail.com

or Call 703-887-2878

Several projects will be demonstrated. Learn about the inks, how to apply

alcohol and/or medium to increase the fluidity and watch the colors move, blend and become something wonderful. Design your own "fantasyscape." Create a beautiful landscape with more definition and incorporate stamps. Work with a gel medium using the many stencils provided by Pat. For more information, visit mattawomanart.org.

National Folk Festival

Call for Vendors

Application Deadline: April 16

Festival Dates: September 7 - 9, 2018

Salisbury, Maryland

Click [HERE](#) for Complete Application Details



The Festival Marketplace at the National Folk Festival will exclusively feature the juried, handmade creations of the finest artists and craftspeople from the State of Maryland and the Delmarva Peninsula. It will include both deeply traditional crafts and more contemporary artistic expressions. Eligible items include pottery,

jewelry, quilts, stained and blown glass, sculpture, photography, woodwork, paintings, textile art, custom furniture and mixed media. For more information, contact Carol Alexander at carolalexander21@gmail.com, or Caroline O'Hare at 347-678-3525, or cohare@salisbury.md.

Alice Ferguson Foundation

Paint in the Woods

Sunday, April 22, 3:00 - 6:00 pm

2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek

Fee: \$35



Unleash your inner artist in a fun and social environment. All painting supplies are included in the ticket price. Vicki Marckel will walk you through all the steps to produce your own masterpiece. For more information, call 301-292-5665.

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



Charles County Government Commissioners Building

Mattawoman Creek Art Center's "Express Charles County in Art"

Exhibit Runs through April 6

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 June 30, 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

Community Bank of the Chesapeake

Multi-Artist Show through April 20, 2018

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 Vicki Marckel through April 6, 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 June 2, 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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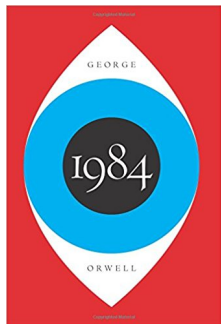
Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion

Thursday, April 5, 1:00 pm

1210 Charles Street, La Plata

Meets the first Thursday of each month

For more information, call 301-934-9001



1984 by George Orwell. In 1984, London is a grim city in the totalitarian state of Oceania where Big Brother is always watching you and the Thought Police can practically read your mind. Winston Smith is a man in grave danger for the simple reason that his memory still functions. Drawn into a forbidden love affair, Winston finds the courage to join a secret revolutionary organization called The Brotherhood, dedicated to the destruction of the Party. Together with his beloved Julia, he hazards his life in a deadly match against the powers that be.

College of Southern Maryland, La Plata Connections Literary Series Reading *Poets Nickole Brown and Jessica Jacobs*

Friday, April 6, 7:30 pm

Center for Business and Industry (BI Building)

Dr. John M. Sine Conference Room (Room 103)

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

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

Nickole Brown received her MFA from the Vermont College. She currently is the editor for the Marie Alexander Poetry Series and teaches periodically at a number of places, including the Sewanee School of Letters MFA Program, the Great Smokies Writing Program at UNCA, and the Hindman Settlement School. Jessica Jacobs holds an MFA



from Purdue University, where she served as the editor-in-chief of Sycamore Review, and a BA from Smith College.

For more information, visit csmd.edu/community/connections-literary-series/connections-readings. To order tickets, contact the CSM Box Office at bxoffc@csmd.edu or call 301-934-7828.



Citizens for the Charles County Public Library

Spring 2018 Used Books Bazaar

Saturday, April 7 - Saturday, April 14

Members Day, Friday, April 6

La Plata Branch, Lower Level

2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata

Hours: Friday and Saturday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Monday through Thursday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm



Hardbacks are \$1 each; paperback books are 50 cents each. Friday, April 13, and Saturday, April 14, grocery-size "bag full of books" are \$3.00 each. C4CCPL members are entitled to 5 free books during the bazaar. For more information, visit <https://ccplonline.org/c4ccpl> or call Ann Chess at 301-259-4615.

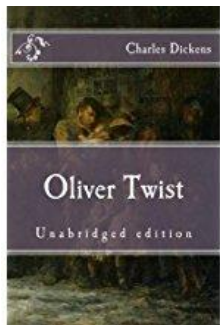
P.D. Brown Library Book Discussion Group

Saturday, April 7, 9:30 - 10:30 am

50 Village Street, Waldorf

Meets on the first Saturday of every month

For more information, call 301-645-2864



Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens. The story is of the orphan Oliver Twist, who starts his life in a workhouse and is then apprenticed with an undertaker. He escapes from there and travels to London where he meets the Artful Dodger, a member of a gang of juvenile pickpockets, who are led by the elderly criminal Fagin. *Oliver Twist* is notable for Dickens's unromantic portrayal of criminals and their sordid lives, as well as exposing the cruel treatment of the many orphans in London in the mid-nineteenth century.

Modern Adventure Novel Book Club

Wednesday, April 11, 6:30 pm

P.D. Brown Library

50 Village Street, Waldorf

For more information, call 301-645-2864



Eragon by Christopher Paolini. Fifteen-year-old Eragon believes that he is merely a poor farm boy, until his destiny as a Dragon Rider is revealed. Gifted with only an ancient sword, a loyal dragon, and sage advice from an old storyteller, Eragon is soon swept into a dangerous tapestry of magic, glory, and power. Now his choices could save, or destroy, the Empire.

College of Southern Maryland

Visions of Verses

Saturday, April 14, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

calvART Gallery, Prince Frederick Shopping Center

110 South Solomons Island Road, Prince Frederick

Free Admission



The program features poetry by CSM faculty and students and other Southern Maryland poets as well as paintings, jewelry, ceramic, and fused glass pieces by CalvART Gallery member artists inspired by the poems. The evening is offered as an opportunity for the Southern Maryland community to come together to experience and reflect on the ways in which the arts can serve to enrich our lives with beauty and understanding, pointing us toward that more perfect world our hearts know is possible. For more information, go to csm.edu/calendar/arts/prince-frederick/2018-04-14-visions-of-verses.

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La Plata Library Book Discussion Group

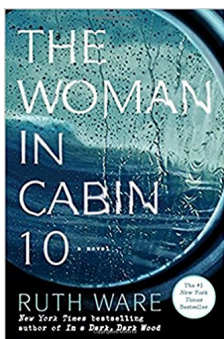
Thursday, April 19, 7:00 pm

2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata

Meets on the second Thursday of every month (note change for April)

April)

For more information, call 301-934-9001



The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware. Lo Blacklock, a journalist who writes for a travel magazine, has just been given the assignment of a lifetime: a week on a luxury cruise with only a handful of cabins. At first, Lo's stay is nothing but pleasant: the cabins are plush, the dinner parties are sparkling, and the guests are elegant. But as the week wears on, frigid winds whip the deck, gray skies fall, and Lo witnesses what she can only describe as a dark and terrifying nightmare: a woman being thrown overboard. The problem? All passengers remain accounted for, so the ship sails on as if nothing has happened, despite Lo's desperate attempts to

convey that something (or someone) has gone terribly, terribly wrong.

Writers of Color Book Club

Tuesday, April 24, 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

Poetry

Self-Selected Poetry. Bring your favorite poem to share in celebration of National Poetry Month.

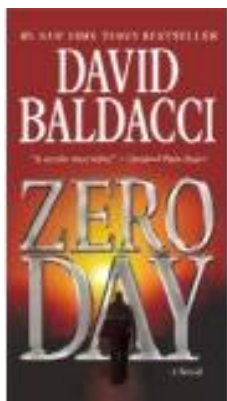
Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, April 25, 11:00 am - Noon

Meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month

100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head

Call 301-375-7375 for more information



Zero Day by David Baldacci. John Puller is a combat veteran and the best military investigator in the U.S. Army's Criminal Investigation Division. Now, Puller is called out on a case in a remote, rural area in West Virginia coal country far from any military outpost. As Puller digs through deception after deception, he realizes that absolutely nothing he's seen in this small town, and no one in it, are what they seem. Facing a potential conspiracy that reaches far beyond the hills of West Virginia, he is one man on the hunt for justice against an overwhelming force.

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Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco

First Friday Event

Ralph Eshelman: The War of 1812: The British Arrive in the Chesapeake

Friday, April 6, 6:00 pm

Port Tobacco Courthouse

8430 Commerce Street, Port Tobacco

\$5 Donation Requested; Light Refreshments Served



Southern Maryland was one of the most affected regions of the country during the war between the United States and Great Britain, which lasted from 1812 to 1815. The active British presence in Southern Maryland, the capital's first line of defense, resulted in wide-spread destruction and disruption of daily life for the citizens of Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's counties. For more information, contact Joyce Edelen at keechjoyce@aol.com or call 301-934-9056.

Town of La Plata

Celebrate La Plata

Saturday, April 28, Noon to 4:00 pm

La Plata Town Hall

305 Queen Anne Street, La Plata

Free Admission

Celebrate LA PLATA!

The Town of La Plata will come together for a day of family fun at the annual Spring Festival. Enjoy a day of activities for children of all ages with face painting, Moon Bounce, displays, entertainment, refreshments for sale from local favorites and the ever

entertaining Bed Races! For more information and the complete schedule of events, go to <http://townofaplata.org>.

Friends of Old Waldorf School Foundation

4th Annual Friendship Tea: Tea in the Garden

Sunday, April 29, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

3074 Crain Highway, Waldorf

Tickets are Free, RSVP Required

Donations Accepted



Assorted teas and scones, tea sandwiches and sweet treats will be served. There will be a few special sales tables, including bedding plants and fresh asparagus; a silent auction; door prizes and more. Seating is limited. RSVP to Sandi at 301-752-5198; Kim at 301-645-4546; Peggy at 301-645-5564; or Waldorfschl@aol.com.

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

Charles County Public Library

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CCPL is excited to announce the public availability of thousands of movies, television shows, music albums and audiobooks, all available for mobile and online access through a new partnership with hoopla digital. Hoopla is a

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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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.