

Arts Newsflash

Charles County Arts Alliance

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April 19, 2018

Celebrating 30 Years of Service to the Community

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



Deadline to Submit Extended to April 30, 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.

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ArtsFest is Coming!

April
Arts Insider Newsletter



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!

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

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

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

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

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PERFORMING ARTS [{top}](#)

Henry E. Lackey High School

The 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
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THE
North Point High School
The Addams Family

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 wits. For more information, contact the school at 301-743-5431.

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



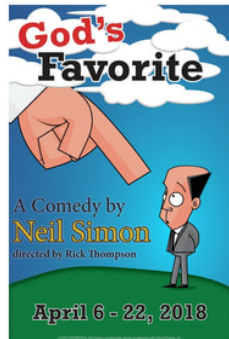
They're creepy and they're kooky, mysterious and spooky. Spend a couple of hours with Morticia and Gomez as they deal with their 18-year-old daughter, Wednesday, who has fallen in love with a nice boy from a respectable family. For more information, call the school at 301-753-1759.

The Newtowne Players
God's Favorite

Final Weekend!
 Thursday - Friday - Saturday, 8:00 pm
 Sunday, 3:30 pm

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

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



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

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

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

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



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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, who knows who Hyacinthe and Zerbinette really are. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

Thursday, April 26, 5:00 pm

Friday, April 27, 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 28, 6:00 pm

9805 Faith Baptist Church Road, White Plains

Advance Tickets: \$7 Adult, \$5 Student

At the Door: \$9 Adult, \$7 Student

Refreshments Available for Purchase



When new student Katie comes to school, she has no idea what is in store for her. She meets Jason and Lisa who try to help her; unfortunately Jason chooses a wrong path to follow. Based on the Columbine Tragedy. For more information and to order advance tickets, call the SMCA Finance Office at 301-870-2550.

Westlake High School

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.

College of Southern Maryland, Prince Frederick

Ritmo Caché Latin Ensemble

Friday, April 27, 8:00 pm

Building B, Multipurpose Room 115

J.W. Williams Road, Prince Frederick



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

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

CSM's Latin Ensemble will perform a concert of salsa, Latin jazz and Latin rock hits. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934 -7828, or visit csm.edu/arts.

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Flute Choir of Southern Maryland
"Welcome Spring" Concert

Saturday, April 28, 7:00 pm
Christ Church
112 East 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 McMichael's *A Gaelic Offering*. For more information, contact Lucy Snell at ljsnell@comcast.net.

American Legion Post 238
Jay Armsworthy & Sons of the American Legion
The Karl Shiflett and Big Country Show

Sunday, April 29, 2:00 pm (Doors open at Noon)
Rts. 381 and 231, Hughesville
Tickets: \$20, Children under 12 admitted free with a paying adult



"The Karl Shiflett and Big Country Show" keeps the spirit of the past alive with their "old school" delivery of vintage bluegrass and classic country music: "Real Country Music" as they like to put it. Harnessing the synergy and raw edginess of classic country acts of the 1940s and 50s, they bring the best of the past to the present with an energized fusion of bluegrass, western swing, honky tonk and classic country music. For more information, visit americanlegionbluegrass.com, or call 301-737-3004.

College of Southern Maryland, La Plata
Music Student Honors Recital

Thursday, May 3, 2:30 pm
Fine Arts Center Theatre
8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata
Free Admission

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Each semester, CSM's private teachers recommend their most accomplished students for performance in this recital to celebrate their individual musical accomplishments. Any student taking a lesson for credit who has been approved by their instructor is eligible to perform. The recital features 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.

College of Southern Maryland, Prince Frederick
Spring Choral Concert

Thursday, May 3, 7:30 pm
 Building B, Multipurpose Room 115
 401 Williams Road, Prince Frederick

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



The CSM Chorale and Chamber Choir will perform a spring concert of traditional, contemporary and popular choral pieces. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

La Plata High School
The Little Mermaid

Thursday - Friday, May 3 - 4, 6:30 pm
Saturday, May 5, 2:30 and 6:30 pm
 6035 Radio Station Road, La Plata
 Tickets: \$10 Adults; \$5 Students



Based on Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale, the play features songs from the popular Disney animated feature. Ariel, a mermaid, gets her wish to live on land when she and Ursula, the Sea Witch, strike a deal: Ariel must trade her beautiful voice for a pair of legs and get Prince Eric to fall in love with her within three days. For more

information, call the school at 301-934-1100.

Port Tobacco Players
Calendar Girls

May 4 - 20
Friday - Saturday, 8:00 pm
Sunday, 3:00 pm
 508 Charles Street, La Plata
 Tickets: \$18 Adults; \$15 Senior (60+), Military, Youth to 18



A group from the Women's Institute (WI) in Yorkshire, England, prepare and publicize an unusual "alternative calendar" to raise funds for the Leukaemia Research Fund. Based on a true story of eleven brave women, *Calendar Girls* is a funny, moving show about friendship, courage, passion, and risk-taking. For more information, call 301-932-6819.

Cindi Barnhart

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Click [here](#) to join or renew and pay with PayPal.

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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.

College of Southern Maryland, La Plata

CSM Spring POPS Concert

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Saturday, May 5, 7:00 pm

Business and Industry Building (BI), Room 113

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

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



Featuring performances by Southern Mix Barbershop Chorus, Ritmo Caché Latin Ensemble, CSM Chorale, and Chamber Choir. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

College of Southern Maryland, La Plata

Dance Ensemble: Bringing in the Light

Monday, May 7, 7:30 pm

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

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



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, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

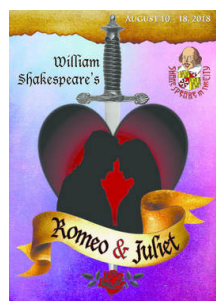
The Newtowne Players and Historic St. Mary's City

Auditions for *Romeo & Juliet*

Monday - Tuesday, May 7 - 8, 7:00 pm

State House of 1676, Historic St. Mary's City

47418 Old State House Road, St. Mary's City



Auditions open for Shakespeare in the City's production of the two star-crossed lovers caught between their feuding families. Performances take place outdoors on August 10, 11, 16, 17 and 18, 2018.

Go to <https://www.newtowneplayers.org/auditions.html> for complete audition details and list of characters. For more information, contact Beth Sanford at newtowneplayersproduction@gmail.com.

Hard Bargain Players

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, May 10 - 19, 8:00 pm

2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek

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



A Midsummer Night's Dream

An abridged version of William Shakespeare's classic comedy is coming to a space where it was always meant to be performed: right under the beautiful canopy of trees and starlight! Come join the royals, the stary-eyed lovers, the rude mechanicals, and the mischievous woodland faeries as they spin their magical tale! Tickets can be reserved online at <http://www.hbplayers.org>.

Barking Fish Theatre Project

The Impossibly Possible Unbelievably Believable Journey and Return of Josephine Clark

Friday, May 11 and May 18, 7:00 pm

Saturday, May 12 and 19, 2:00 and 7:00 pm

Indian Head Black Box Theatre

4185 Indian Head Highway, Indian Head

Tickets: \$15 Adults, \$10 Children under 16 Years

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



The Journey and Return of Josephine Clark follows our heroine over the distant hill from her noisy town and into the unknown beyond. Along her journey, you meet a busload of tourists out on a shopping spree and the empty city they wander into, bicyclists who are racing towards a finish line that has yet to be determined and, finally, into the darkness of the cave of the Brisky Bat. The multimedia production features shadow puppetry created with overhead projectors mixed with traditional hand and rod puppets. This show is family

friendly with colorful costumes and plenty of energy from live actors and dancers gracing the stage. For more information, call 202-361-5300, or visit <http://www.indianheadblackbox.org>.

The Newtowne Players

A Night on Broadway

May 11 - 20

Thursday - Friday - Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:30 pm

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park

Tickets: \$18 Adult; \$15 Military, Senior, Student; \$13 Children

under 12; Thursday Performances: All Tickets \$13



The show returns for a third season with a new musical lineup including: *Anything Goes*, *Beautiful*, *Dear Evan Hansen*, *Finian's Rainbow*, *Ghost the Musical*, *Gypsy*, *Into the Woods*, *Jersey Boys*, *Kiss Me Kate*, *Little Women*, *My Fair Lady*, *The Pajama*

Game, *Pippin*, *School of Rock* and more! For more information and to reserve tickets, visit <https://www.newtowneplayers.org> or

call 301-737-5447.

College of Southern Maryland, La Plata

Southern Maryland Concert Band

Saturday, May 12, 8:00 pm

Fine Arts Center Theatre

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

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

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



The program will feature a variety of music styles in a tribute to the director of the band and the early years of the band's history. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

College of Southern Maryland, Prince Frederick

Ward Virts Concert Series

Antony Zwerdling, Baritone

Stephen Johnson, Piano

Sunday, May 13, 3:00 pm

Building B, Multipurpose Room 104

115 J.W. Williams Road, Prince Frederick

Free and Open to the Public



Baritone Antony Zwerdling and pianist Stephen Johnson will perform as part of the Inaugural Festivities for CSM President Dr. Maureen Murphy. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

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

VISUAL ARTS {top}

Alice Ferguson Foundation

Paint in the Woods

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

2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek

Fee: \$35

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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.

Mattawoman Creek Art Center

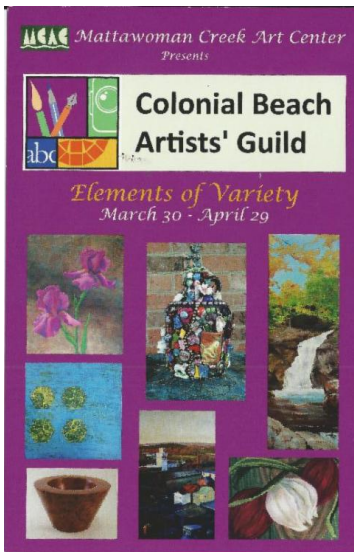
Elements of Variety

Now through April 29

Gallery Hours: Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Smallwood State Park, 5565 Upham Place, Marbury

Admission is Free for MCAC Visitors; inform the Park Ranger when entering the Park



The exhibition features works by the Colonial Beach Artists' Guild. For more information, visit mattawomanart.org or call 301-743-5159.

Southern Maryland Artists Collective

A Fluid Point of View: Art Works by Gina Durgin

Now through May 2018

Quality Printers, 10485 Theodore Green Boulevard, White Plains

Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Free and Open to the Public

Come tour the exciting, colorful art exhibit of 64 works currently on display at the SMAC Gallery! For more information, visit <http://qualprnt.com/community> or call Quality Printers at 240-349-2953.

Maryland Federation of Art (MFA)

A COLLECTION OF ABSTRACT ARTWORK BY GINA DURGIN

Call for Artists

Writing on the Wall

Deadline to Apply: May 7



The art's not just inside anymore - it's on the walls, bridges, buildings, signs and streets all around you. Whether a public installation, community fountain or a spray-painted mural, the city is now an outdoor museum. Art builds bridges between people and ideas - and street art is often a way to see in to the soul of a city. MFA invites all 2- and 3-D artists to offer examples of public art, including street art, and its effects. The selected artworks may be viewed on MFA's online Curve Gallery from June 15 through July 31, 2018. For complete submission details, go to <https://mdfedart.com/portfolio/writing-on-the-wall>.

College of Southern Maryland Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery *Annual Juried Student Exhibition*

Now through May 10

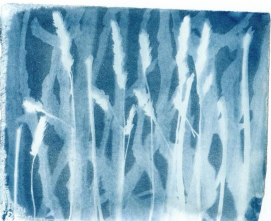
Awards Presentation: Tuesday, April 24, 2:30 pm

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



Untitled Cyanotype
by Ashley Saldana

Paintings in broad brush strokes, photos in captivating focus, and sculptures molded with playfulness are among the types of artwork showcased each spring as part of the College of Southern Maryland's Annual Juried Student Exhibition. For more information, visit csmd.edu/community/the-arts/visual-arts/hungerford-gallery/index.

Mattawoman Creek Art Center

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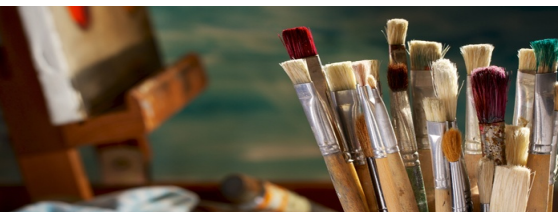
Saturday, May 12, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Smallwood State Park, 5565 Upham Place, Marbury

Admission is Free for MCAC Visitors; inform the Park Ranger when entering the Park

Fee: \$65, includes all art supplies

Deadline to sign up: May 1



Create your own personal and original piece of art which will be the perfect gift for your mother or just to show off in your home. Your masterpiece will be ready to hang when you leave the class. Snacks and water are

provided. For more information, contact TwoRiversArtWorkshops@gmail.com, or call 703-887-2878.

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



Charles County Government Commissioners Building

Solo Show with Norma Baretincic, through July 6, 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 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

Mattawoman Creek Art Center's "Express Charles County in Art" Exhibit Runs through July 6, 2018
5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646
Gallery hours: Daily, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Waldorf West Library

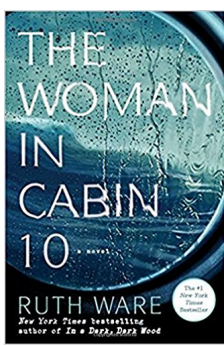
Multi-Artist Show through June 2, 2018
10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD 20603
Gallery Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 8:00 pm; Friday, 1:00 - 5:00 pm; and Saturday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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

LITERARY ARTS {top}

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)
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.

Life Journeys Writers Guild

Big Quarterly Gathering

Saturday, April 21, 2:00 - 4:30 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

Free, Donations Accepted, Refreshments Served



Glean from their guest speaker, enjoy networking with other movers and shakers in the literary world, learn from dramatic reads. Discover what it takes to get noticed by the Big Five Publishers. For more information, go to lifejourneyswritersguild.org or contact Yvonne Medley at 240-427-5594..

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



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

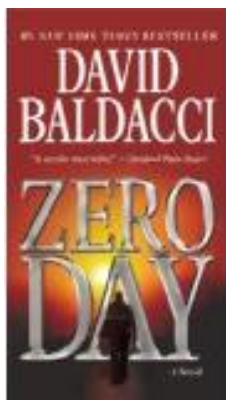
Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

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.

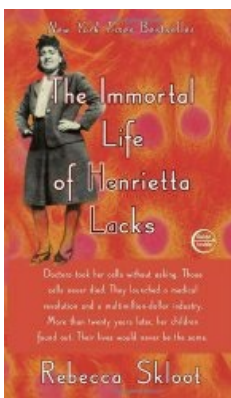
Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion

Thursday, May 3, 1:00 pm

1210 Charles Street, La Plata

Meets the first Thursday of each month

For more information, call 301-934-9001



The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot. Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. She was a poor black tobacco farmer whose cells, taken without her knowledge in 1951, became one of the most important tools in medicine, vital for developing the polio vaccine, cloning, gene mapping, and more. Henrietta's cells have been bought and sold by the billions, yet she remains virtually unknown, and her family can't afford health insurance. This phenomenal New York Times bestseller tells a riveting story of the collision between ethics, race, and medicine; of scientific discovery and faith healing; and of a daughter consumed with questions about the mother she never knew.

College of Southern Maryland, La Plata

Spring Connections Literary Magazine Publication

Reading

Friday, May 4, 7:30 pm

Center for Business and Industry (BI Building)

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

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Free and Open to the Public



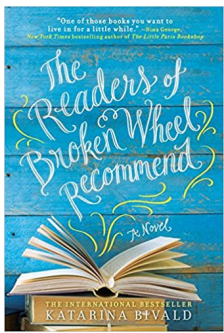
Contributors to the spring 2018 "Connections" Literary Magazine will read and discuss their published works. For more information, contact connections@csmd.edu.

P.D. Brown Library Book Discussion Group

Saturday, May 5, 9:30 - 10:30 am

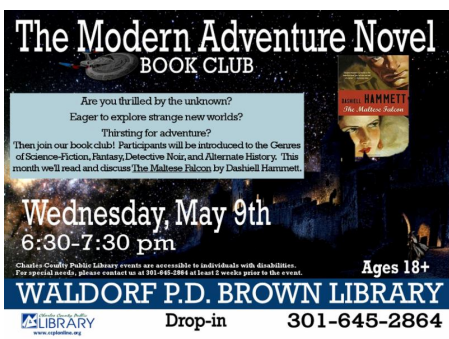
50 Village Street, Waldorf

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The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend by Katarina Bivald. Broken Wheel, Iowa, has never seen anyone like Sara, who traveled all the way from Sweden just to meet her book-loving pen pal, Amy. When she arrives, however, she finds Amy's funeral guests just leaving. The residents of Broken Wheel are happy to look after their bewildered visitor, there's not much else to do in a dying small town that's almost beyond repair. You certainly wouldn't open a bookstore. And definitely not with the tourist in charge. You'd need a vacant storefront (Main Street is full of them), books (Amy's house is full of them), and...customers. The bookstore might be a little quirky. Then again, so is Sara. But Broken Wheel's own story might be more eccentric and surprising than she thought.

Modern Adventure Novel Book Club
Wednesday, May 9, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
P.D. Brown Library
50 Village Street, Waldorf
Meets on the second Wednesday of every month
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The Maltese Falcon by Dashiell Hammett. A treasure worth killing for. Sam Spade, a slightly shopworn private eye with his own solitary code of ethics. A perfumed grafter named Joel Cairo, a fat man name Gutman, and Brigid O'Shaughnessy, a beautiful and treacherous woman whose loyalties shift at the drop of a dime. These are the ingredients of Dashiell Hammett's iconic, influential, and beloved *The Maltese Falcon*.

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Alice Ferguson Foundation
Call for Vendors and Exhibitors
Spring Farm Festival
Deadline to Apply: April 20
Festival is Saturday, May 5, 11:00 am to 4:00 pm
Hard Bargain Barn
2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek
Click [HERE](#) for the Vendor Information Details
Click [HERE](#) to Register

Festival showcases arts and crafts, live music, refreshments, farm products, plant sale, hay rides, historic demos, butter churning, blacksmithing and

more. For more information, call 301-292-5665, or email specialevents@fergusonfoundation.org.



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



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://townoflaplata.org>.

Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco and Charles County Government
9th Annual Port Tobacco Village Market Day
Saturday, May 5 (Rain date: Saturday, May 19), 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Historic Port Tobacco Courthouse
8430 Commerce Street, Port Tobacco
Free Admission



The Market includes the Charles County Garden Club plant sale; tours of the Courthouse, Stagg Hall, Burch House, and the Port Tobacco One Room School; a bake sale; food; music and a wide variety of arts and crafts vendors. For more information, contact Mary Fenton at 301-375-7892, or marysfenton@yahoo.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 **April** copy of *The SCOOP*, Charles County's Senior Center News, or click

[here](#) to go to their website.

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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.