



Arts Newsflash

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April 26, 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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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.

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

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

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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.



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

PERFORMING ARTS {top}



Southern Maryland Christian Academy Drama Club

It's Not Too Late

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



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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

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

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 csmd.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.

Alice Ferguson Foundation

Open Mic in the Woods

Last Sunday of the Month, April 29 - October 21, 7:00 pm

Hard Bargain Amphitheater

2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek

Free Admission

REGISTER NOW!



Come down to the Hard Bargain Amphitheater and participate in OPEN MIC in the Woods. This event is open to performers and spectators of all ages. Instrumentalists, singers, dancers, storytellers, poets, jugglers, magicians and others are all

welcome. Audience seating is on a first-come-first-served basis. For more information on performing, contact Trey Thomas at 240-766-8830 or tthomas@fergusonfoundation.org.

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

Open to the Public, 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. Any student taking a lesson for credit who has been approved by their instructor is eligible to perform. 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.

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.

College of Southern Maryland, Leonardtown

Spring Choral Concert

Thursday, May 3, 7:30 pm

Building A Auditorium

22950 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown

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

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

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



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.

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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

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Joseph Wimberly

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Haven't Joined Us?

Why Not Join Us Now?



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.

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

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.

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

Advance Tickets: \$12 Adults, Seniors, Military, Youth of High

School Age and Below; At the Door: Adult Tickets are \$15



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.

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

Dance Ensemble: Bringing in the Light

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Monday, May 7, 7:30 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



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.

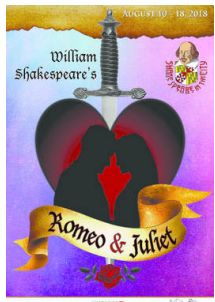
The Newtowne Players and Historic St. Mary's City

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



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: Sight, Sound, and Song

May 11 - 20

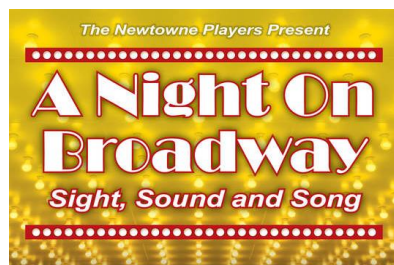
Friday - Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:30 pm

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park

Tickets: \$18 Adult; \$15 Military, Senior, Student; \$13 Children under 12

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



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

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!](#)



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.

Town of La Plata

Free Concerts

Friday Nights, May 25 - September 25, 7:00 pm

On the Lawn of the La Plata Town Hall

305 Queen Anne Street, La Plata



Bring a chair or blanket to sit on and enjoy the music under the open sky.

The concerts through June are listed below. For the complete schedule, visit TownOfLaPlata.org.

May 25 - [Drivin' Muzzy](#) - Country

June 1 - [Bobby McKey's Dueling Piano Show](#)

June 8 - [Three Days of Rain](#) - Today's hits, 80s, Dance, Funk, Classic Rock & Country

June 15 - [Trilogy](#) - Rock, Pop, Dance, Hip Hop & Country Covers with a twist

June 22 - [Bye Felicia](#) - The Ultimate Variety Band

June 29 - [U.S. Air Force Band Max Impact](#) - Classic/Contemporary Rock & Country

For more information, call 301-934-3870.

Alice Ferguson Foundation Concert in the Woods

The Tom Principato Band

Saturday, May 26, 8:00 - 10:00 pm

Hard Bargain Amphitheater

2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek

Tickets: \$15 in Advance, \$20 at the Door

Refreshments available for purchase

Performance is outdoors

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



For four decades now, "Roots Music For Your Soul" has been the mission as Tom and his band deliver passionate performances of funky roots music with scorching guitar. For more information, visit <http://fergusonfoundation.org>.

VISUAL ARTS {top}

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

A FLUID POINT OF VIEW

A COLLECTION OF ABSTRACT ARTWORK BY GINA DURGIN



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.

On display from March - May at Quality Printers
10485 Theodore Green Blvd. White Plains, MD 20695

Mattawoman Creek Art Center

24th Annual All-Media Juried Exhibition

May 4 - June 3

Reception and Juror Talk: Sunday, May 6, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

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

Second Place, 2017
Melphicks
 Paint
 Monna Kappinen

First Place, 2017
Curved Walls
 Sculpture
 Luis Gabriel

Third Place, 2017
Wonders of the World, Photograph
 Allison Liden

June 3
 Reception & Juror Talk:
 Sunday, May 6 from 1 - 4 p.m.

Deadline to Apply: May 7

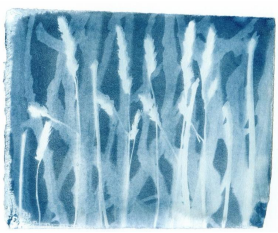
Maryland Federation of Art (MFA)
Call for Artists
Writing on the Wall
Annual All-Media Juried Exhibition



For more information, visit mattawomanart.org or call 301-743-5159.

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>.

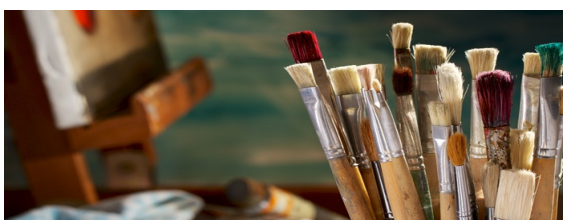
College of Southern Maryland
Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery
Annual Juried Student Exhibition
 Now through May 10
 Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 9:00 pm;
 Saturday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
 La Plata Fine Arts Center, 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata
 Free and Open to the Public



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 csm.edu/community/the-arts/visual-arts/hungerford-gallery/index.

Untitled Cyanotype
 by Ashley Saldana

Two Rivers Art Workshop
Paint-Tivity
 Saturday, May 12, 1:00 - 4:00 pm
 Mattawoman Creek Art Center
 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.

Two Rivers Art Workshop

Intermediate Alcohol Inks

Saturday - Sunday, June 2 - 3, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Mattawoman Creek Art Center

Smallwood State Park, 5565 Upham Place, Marbury

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

Fee: \$150 (includes lunch)

Deadline to Register: May 19

Click [HERE](#) for the flyer and list of supplies



Instructor Pat Troiani will review how to use the inks, then will move on to learning how to paint on different substrates, and how to use various tools: tar gel, heat gun, hair dryer, small air compressor, etc. Individual help will be provided. For more information and to register, email 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 August 24, 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}

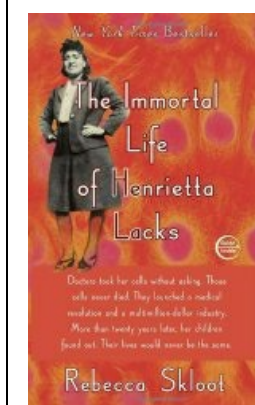
Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion

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.

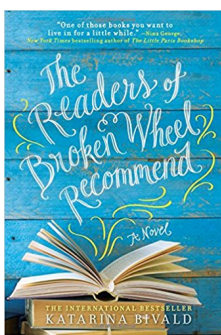
P.D. Brown Library Book Discussion Group

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

50 Village Street, Waldorf

Meets on the first Saturday of every month

For more information, call 301-645-2864



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.

Life Journeys Writers Guild

Writing Workshop

Saturday, May 5, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

Free!



Sponsored by the Charles County Public Library, the workshop is your opportunity to "put the voice and vibe in your characters." Learn traditional vs. self-publishing pros and cons. For more information, contact Yvonne Medley at 240-427-5594.

Modern Adventure Novel Book Club

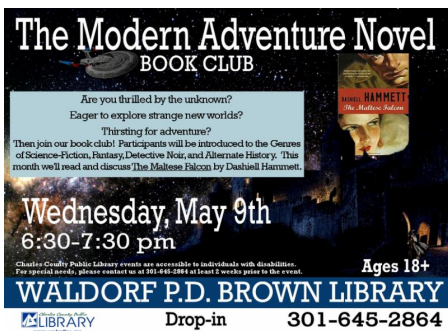
Wednesday, May 9, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

P.D. Brown Library

50 Village Street, Waldorf

Meets on the second Wednesday of every month

For more information, call 301-645-2864



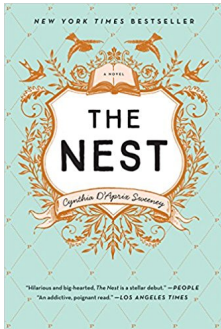
The Maltese Falcon by **Dashiell Hammett**. A treasure worth killing for. Sam Spade, a slightly shopworn private eye with his own solitary code of ethics. A perfumed grafter named Joel Cairo, a fat man name Gutman, and Brigid O'Shaughnessy, a beautiful and treacherous woman whose loyalties shift at the drop of a dime. These are the ingredients of Dashiell Hammett's iconic, influential, and beloved *The Maltese Falcon*.

La Plata Library Book Discussion Group

Thursday, May 10, 7:00 pm

2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata

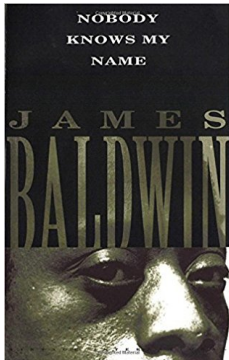
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The Nest by Cynthia D'Apris Sweeney. Every family has its problems. But even among the most troubled, the Plumb family stands out as spectacularly dysfunctional. Years of simmering tensions finally reach a breaking point on an unseasonably cold afternoon in New York City as Melody, Beatrice, and Jack Plumb gather to confront their charismatic and reckless older brother, Leo, freshly released from rehab. This is a story about the power of family, the possibilities of friendship, the ways we depend upon one another and the ways we let one another down.

Writers of Color Book Club

Tuesday, May 22 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



Nobody Knows My Name by James Baldwin. This collection of illuminating, deeply felt essays examines topics ranging from race relations in the United States to the role of the writer in society, and offers personal accounts of Richard Wright, Norman Mailer and other writers.

Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, May 23, 11:00 am - Noon
Meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month
100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head
Call 301-375-7375 for more information



Hidden Figures: The American Dream and Untold Story of the Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win the Space Race by Margot Lee Shetterly. Before Neil Armstrong walked on the moon, behind the curtains, there were a group of brilliant female mathematicians known as "human computers" due to their mental prowess. Margot Lee Shetterly writes on the racial and genre discrimination that these women had to endure to be part of historical accomplishments.

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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>.

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.

Alice Ferguson Foundation

Spring Farm Festival

Saturday, May 5, 11:00 am to 4:00 pm

Hard Bargain Barn

2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek



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.

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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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.