

December 27, 2018

## Celebrating 31 Years of Service to the Community

The CCAA Office is closed through January 2, 2019.  
Have a Happy New Year, and make time to fill your life  
with the joy of the Arts!

### CCAA NEWS

#### Charlotte Hall Veterans Home *Call for Artists*



Theme is "Artists Choice"  
Deadline to Submit: January 18, 2019  
Click [HERE](#) for Submission Details  
"Meet the Artists" Public Reception on Saturday,  
January 26, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, in partnership with the Charles County Art Alliance, is now accepting submissions for their Spring Art Show, a multimedia exhibit, to be held at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, 29449 Charlotte Hall Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622, from February 4, 2019, to June 30, 2019. The gallery will be presented along the E-Wing Dining Hallway.

Local artists are invited to submit a maximum of two works of art for consideration (there is no submission fee).

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For more information on the gallery, contact Angela Quade at 301-884-8171, ext. 403; or VeteransHomeArt@charhall.org.

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## Charles County Arts Alliance 2019 Scholarship Program is Open!



**Deadline to Apply: Noon, March 8, 2019**

Each year the Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) offers a \$1,000 scholarship to one outstanding graduating senior from each of the seven public high schools in Charles County who plans to major in the Arts (performing, visual or literary) at a four-year college or university toward a career in the Arts. Click [HERE](#) to download an application or go to [CCAA Scholarship Program](#). Charles County Public School Seniors may also see their College and Career Advisors for a copy of the application.

For more information, contact the CCAA office at 301-392-5900, or email [info@charlescountyarts.org](mailto:info@charlescountyarts.org) or [ronbrown990@gmail.com](mailto:ronbrown990@gmail.com).

## Maryland State Arts Council

### *Creativity Grants*

Click [HERE](#) for the Guidelines and Application Process Applications accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, beginning February 1, 2019, for the FY 2019 cycle, and on April 1, 2019, for the FY 2020 cycle.



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The purpose of the program is to strengthen the vitality and sustainability of artists and small organizations to maintain a strong and stable arts infrastructure in the State of Maryland. The Creativity Grant also provides opportunities to serve the

growing needs of relevant arts projects and collaborations within Maryland communities. For more information, go to [Creativity Grants](#).

## Maryland Citizens for the Arts

### *Maryland Arts Day*

Thursday, February 14, 8:15 am - 2:00 pm

Francis Scott Key Auditorium

St. John's College, Annapolis, Maryland

Park and Get the Shuttle at the Navy-Marine Corps Stadium

Early Bird Registration is \$25 per Person Until January 31, 2019

**REGISTER NOW!**



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One Voice for All the Arts in Maryland

Maryland Arts Day is the largest annual gathering of arts professionals in Maryland. With more than 500 participants, representing every county in the state and Baltimore

City, this statewide arts advocacy event connects artists, educators, administrators, volunteers and trustees with lawmakers from every legislative district in Maryland. Maryland Arts Day needs your participation to show

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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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strong support for the arts in Maryland and the impact they have on the economic and cultural vitality of the state. For more information, go to <https://mdarts.org/events/maryland-arts-day> or call 410-467-6700.



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

## PERFORMING ARTS {top}

### Chesapeake Choral Arts Society

#### *Auditions*

Open to High School Age and Older

Monday, January 7 and 14, 6:30 pm, by Appointment

Peace Lutheran Church

11610 Rubina Place, Waldorf

Call Carol at 301-642-0594 to Schedule an Audition



The Choral Society focuses on extended Choral works as well as various choral styles and periods of music. Auditions will consist of vocal warm-ups, pitch matching and vocal exercises to determine the singer's vocal range. No prepared piece is necessary! The chorus is especially looking for tenors and baritones/basses, but ALL voices are appreciated. The choir meets regularly from September - June, rehearsing Monday evenings from 7:00 - 9:00 pm, at Peace Lutheran Church, and performs three different concerts throughout the season. For more information visit [www.chesapeakechoral.com](http://www.chesapeakechoral.com).

### Jay Armsworthy & the Sons of the American Legion Bluegrass Series

#### *Lonesome River Band*

Sunday, January 13, Doors Open at Noon, Show Starts at 2:00 pm

American Legion Post 238, 6265 Brandywine Road (corner MD Rts. 381 & 231), Hughesville

Tickets: \$20, Children under 12 admitted free with a paying adult  
Dinner, drinks and dessert available for purchase





## Bullock's Piano Salon

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For more information, contact Jay at [jaychelle1@verizon.net](mailto:jaychelle1@verizon.net) or call 301-737-3004.

### Port Tobacco Players

#### *Next to Normal*

January 18 - February 3

Friday, Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

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

Buy Tickets Now!



(Musical Drama) Winner of the Pulitzer Prize and three Tony Awards, "Next to Normal" is a modern musical theatre masterpiece that takes a searing and honest look at mental illness and the personal crises that accompany it. On the surface, the Goodmans seem to be a typical American family, but inside the walls of their

suburban home an unspoken heartbreak threatens to tear them apart. With a powerful rock score that packs a punch, "Next to Normal" takes audiences on an emotional journey of love, loss, anguish, and hope. For more information, visit <http://www.ptplayers.com>.

### College of Southern Maryland

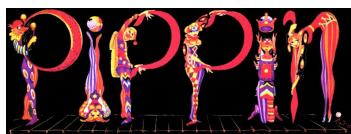
#### Auditions for Ages 10 and Up

##### *Pippin*

Tuesday and Wednesday, January 22 and 23, 6:00 pm

Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata



(Main Stage Musical) Heir to the Frankish throne, the young prince Pippin is in search of the secret to true happiness and fulfillment. Performance dates are April 25, 26, 27, May 3, plus May 4 and 5, during the

Renaissance Festival. **To audition:** Prepare a one-minute monologue and 16 bars of a song with music for the accompanist. Come dressed to move. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828.

### Port Tobacco Players Encore Kids

#### *Auditions*

Thursday, January 24, 6:30 pm  
Sunday, January 27, 11:00 am  
508 Charles Street, La Plata



Encore Kids invites children, ages 9-11, to participate in their mission to serve in the community outreach program of the Port Tobacco Players. Children who have an interest in and a flair for the theater have an opportunity to explore and develop their talent in various terms and aspects of live theater. This is a year-round onstage opportunity. To audition, prepare a short monologue. For more information, call the Box Office at

301-932-6819.

## Port Tobacco Players Auditions for Ages 18 and Up *Deathtrap*

Saturday, February 2, 9:00 am  
Tuesday, February 5, 7:00 pm  
508 Charles Street, La Plata



Seemingly comfortably ensconced in his charming Connecticut home, Sidney Bruhl, a successful writer of Broadway thrillers, is struggling to overcome a "dry" spell which has resulted in a string of failures and a shortage of funds. A possible break in his fortunes occurs when he receives a script from a student in the seminar he has been conducting. **Auditions** consist of cold

readings from the script. Performance Dates are May 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, 31, and June 1 and 2, 2019. Visit [Auditions](#) for more information and the list of characters, or contact the producer, Mike Gahan, at [mikegahan@verizon.net](mailto:mikegahan@verizon.net) or 301-609-1969.

## VISUAL ARTS {top}

### Charles County Public Library

#### *Korean American Cultural Arts Foundation Art Exhibit*

Now through January 5, 2019

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

Library Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 8:00 pm;

Friday, 1:00 - 5:00 pm; Saturday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm



The exhibit displays the winning art from their Korean American Art Contest. For more information, contact the Library at 301-645-1395.

### Maryland State Arts Council

#### *From The Mountains, To The Ocean - Maryland Landscapes Inspired by Countryside, City and Sea*

Exhibit Runs through January 14, 2019

MSAC Office, 175 W. Ostend Street, Baltimore, MD 21230

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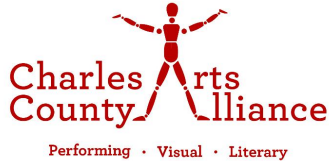


Maryland has a rich and diverse tradition of capturing and expressing the physical and cultural fabric of our state and its people. The range of expression from *plein air* painting, to urban photography, to writing and poetry, reveals and communicates the environments of the present influenced by the past. For more information, go to [msac.org/arts-across-maryland/call-maryland-artists](http://msac.org/arts-across-maryland/call-maryland-artists).

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

### **Charles County Government Commissioners Building**

**Solo Show with Susannah Lynch, through January 16, 2019**  
200 Baltimore Street, La Plata, MD 20646  
Gallery hours: Weekdays, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

### **Charlotte Hall Veterans Home**

**Multi-Artist Show through January 31, 2019**  
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 December 28, 2018**  
3035 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf, MD 20601  
Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

### **University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center**

**Show with Bill and Suzanne Cassidy, through January 15, 2019**  
5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646  
Gallery hours: Daily, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

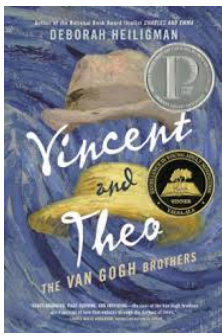
For more information about the Galleries, contact the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900, or [info@charlescountyarts.org](mailto:info@charlescountyarts.org).

## LITERARY ARTS [{top}](#)

### **Waldorf West Book Club**

**Saturday, December 29, 10:00 am**  
10450 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf  
For more information, call 301-645-1395

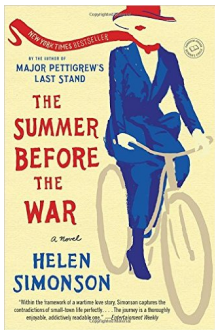




**Vincent and Theo: The Van Gogh Brothers** by Deborah Heiligman. The deep and enduring friendship between Vincent and Theo Van Gogh shaped both brothers' lives. Confidant, champion, sympathizer, friend, Theo supported Vincent as he struggled to find his path in life. They shared everything, swapping stories of lovers and friends, successes and disappointments, dreams and ambitions.

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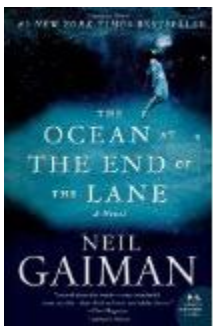
**Waldorf Jaycees Senior Center Book Discussion**  
Wednesday, January 2, 1:00 pm  
Meets on the First Wednesday of each Month  
Jaycees Center, 3090 Crain Highway, Waldorf



**The Summer Before the War** by Helen Simonson. East Sussex, 1914. Hugh Grange, down from his medical studies, is visiting his Aunt Agatha, who lives with her husband in the small, idyllic coastal town of Rye. Agatha's husband works in the Foreign Office, and she is certain he will ensure that the recent saber rattling over the Balkans won't come to anything. And Agatha has more immediate concerns; she has just risked her carefully built reputation by pushing for the appointment of a woman to replace the Latin master.

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**Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion**  
Thursday, January 3, 1:00 pm  
1210 Charles Street, La Plata  
Meets the first Thursday of each month  
For more information, call 301-934-9001



**The Ocean at the End of the Lane** by Neil Gaiman. A middle-aged man returns to his childhood home to attend a funeral. Although the house he lived in is long gone, he is drawn to the farm at the end of the road, where, when he was seven, he encountered a most remarkable girl, Lettie Hempstock, and her mother and grandmother. He hasn't thought of Lettie in decades, and yet as he sits by the pond (a pond that she'd claimed was an ocean) behind the ramshackle old farmhouse where she once lived, the unremembered past comes flooding back. And it is a past too strange, too frightening, too dangerous to have happened to

anyone, let alone a small boy.

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**P.D. Brown Library Book Discussion Group**  
Saturday, January 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

# Poetry

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

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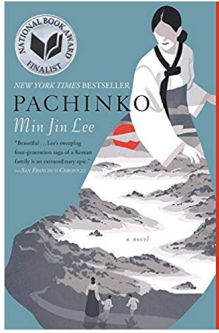
## La Plata Library Book Discussion Group

Thursday, January 10, 7:00 pm

2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata

Meets on the second Thursday of every month

For more information, call 301-934-9001



**Pachinko by Min Jin Lee.** In the early 1900s, teenaged Sunja, the adored daughter of a crippled fisherman, falls for a wealthy stranger at the seashore near her home in Korea. He promises her the world, but when she discovers she is pregnant—and that her lover is married—she refuses to be bought. Instead, she accepts an offer of marriage from a gentle, sickly minister passing through on his way to Japan. But her decision to abandon her home, and to reject her son's powerful father, sets off a dramatic saga that will echo down through the generations.

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## Writers of Color Book Club

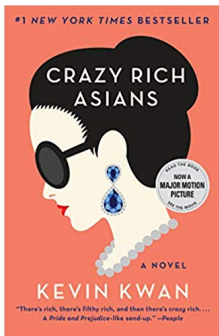
Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month

P.D. Brown Library

50 Village Street, Waldorf

For more information, call 301-645-2864



**Crazy Rich Asians by Kevin Kwan.** When New Yorker Rachel Chu agrees to spend the summer in Singapore with her boyfriend, Nicholas Young, she envisions a humble family home and quality time with the man she hopes to marry. But Nick has failed to give his girlfriend a few key details. One, that his childhood home looks like a palace; two, that he grew up riding in more private planes than cars; and three, that he just happens to be the country's most eligible bachelor.

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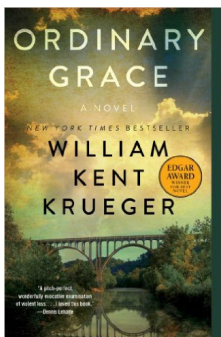
## Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, January 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



**Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger.** New Bremen, Minnesota, 1961. It was a time of innocence and hope for a country with a new, young president. But for thirteen-year-old Frank Drum it was a grim summer in which death visited frequently and assumed many forms. Accident. Nature. Suicide. Murder.



## Community Senior Centers

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

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

## Contact Us

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

About the Charles County Arts Alliance, Inc.

The mission of the Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) is to stimulate, promote, encourage, and provide recognition of the arts and the creative spirit. Founded in 1987, the CCAA promotes ALL the arts in Charles County: music, visual art, drama, dance and literature.

The CCAA is the official arts council of Charles County and is recognized as such by the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC), an agency of the Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) of the State of Maryland. In this capacity, the CCAA serves as the "umbrella" organization for the arts community in Charles County. The CCAA promotes Charles County arts organizations and individuals, provides financial support to nonprofit organizations and the schools through its annual arts grant programs, sponsors the creation and presentation of new, diverse cultural activities and special events for the community, provides arts scholarships, and ensures the Charles County's underserved population, people with disabilities, residents with limited income, minorities, and senior citizens have access to the arts. The CCAA builds partnerships with local government, the business community and the educational community, in an effort to enhance the overall quality of life for the citizens of Charles County.