



# Arts Newsflash

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February 6, 2020

## Serving the Community for 32 Years

### Maryland Citizens for the Arts

#### *Maryland Arts Day 2020*

Thursday, February 13, 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

Registration: \$40

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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. Visual artist [Joyce Scott](#) is this year's Keynote Speaker. Maryland Arts Day needs your participation to show 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 [mdarts.org/events/maryland-arts-day-2020](http://mdarts.org/events/maryland-arts-day-2020) or call 410-467-6700.

# Charles County Arts Alliance 2020 Scholarship Program is Open!



**Deadline to Apply: Noon, March 6, 2020**

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).

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

## PERFORMING ARTS {top}

**Henry E. Lackey High School**

***U.S. Navy Band Commodores***

**Thursday, February 6, 7:00 pm**

**3000 Chicamuxen Road, Indian Head**

**Free Admission**



The Commodores are the premier jazz band of the United States Navy. This world class jazz ensemble returns to Lackey for a yearly event any jazz lover will love. For more information, contact Alan Freeman at [afreeman@ccbboe.com](mailto:afreeman@ccbboe.com), or 301-753-1753, ext. 153617.

**Neighborhood Creative Arts Center**

***Free Sample Classes***

**Friday, February 7, 1:30 - 3:00 pm**

**Saturday, February 8, 9:30 - 10:15 am**

**106 St. Mary's Avenue, La Plata**

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**Charles County Public Library  
*the artSCAPE***

The *artSCAPE* is a monthly newsletter highlighting FREE art programs at the five library branches in Charles County

**Charles County Public Library  
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Join Charles County's newest arts center at one of its free sample movement classes. For more information and to learn more about the center, click [here](#).



## Port Tobacco Players

### *Cinderella*

Saturday, February 8, 11:00 am and 3:00 pm

Sunday, February 9, 3:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Tickets: \$10 Adults, \$7 Children



It's the classic you know and love, but with interactive twists! This version emphasizes audience participation and is a perfect production for families of all ages and sizes. The Fairy Godmother needs help from the audience because she is out of practice and not at all certain her magic is going to work properly. For

more information, contact the Box Office at 301-932-6819.

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Charles County  
MARYLAND  
Legends, Lore and Room to Explore



Come out to swing, promenade, and do-si-do to lively jigs at the SMTMD Contra dance. The Southern MD Open Band will be playing live acoustic string music, and caller Jason Little will teach and call the dances. A beginner's dance workshop (no partner required) starts at 7:00, and the dance begins at 7:30 pm. There will be an ice cream social during the intermission. Please bring a water bottle to the dance. For more information, visit their [website](#).

## College of Southern Maryland

### Ward Virts Concert Series

#### *Takako Mato, Clarinet*

Sunday February 9, 3:00 pm

Building B, Multipurpose Room 104

115 J.W. Williams Road, Prince Frederick

Free and Open to the Public



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Mato is an active clarinet instructor and performer in Southern Maryland. She was previously principal clarinetist in the Pottstown, PA Symphony Orchestra. Mato is a certified music instructor through St. Mary's College of Maryland where she also studied the integration of

## Bullock's Piano Salon

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Maryland where she also studied the integration of technology in the music classroom. For more information, contact the CSM box office at 301-934-7828.

## Watermelon One-Act Festival

*Call for Original Scripts*

**Deadline to Submit: Friday, February 14**



Playwrights, here's your chance to showcase your original one-act plays! You will receive instructional feedback from the adjudication panel and have a chance to win a

variety of cash prizes. Up to three scripts per playwright may be submitted. The Festival will be held June 6 - 7, 2020, in the Bruce Davis Theater, Montgomery Hall Fine Arts Center at St. Mary's College of Maryland. For more information and to download the rules and submission form, visit [www.watermeloninc.org](http://www.watermeloninc.org).

## College of Southern Maryland

### Benny C. Morgan Concert Series

*Timothy Hudson, Trumpet*

Saturday, February 15, 3:00 pm

Building A Auditorium, 22950 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown

Free Admission



Hudson is an award-winning trumpeter. He has performed across the world with conductors such as Lorin Maazel, Yoel Levi, and Enrique Batiz. He is the founding member and director of the Carolina Brass, and for the past 20 years, he has performed with pop and jazz artists such as Ray Charles, Tony Bennett, and Branford Marsalis. For more information, contact the CSM box office at 301-934-7828.

## Southern Maryland Youth and Orchestra

### *Salut D'Amour*

Saturday, February 15, 7:00 - 9:30 pm

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church

225 Alexander Lane, Solomons

Free and Open to the Public



Join the SMYOC Youth Orchestra in a performance celebrating love. Special guest, Dennis Strawley will be featured, and some of the evening's selections include, a Clarinet Concerto by Mozart and Edward Elgar's *Salut d'Amour*. For more information, visit their [website](#).

## Jay Armsworthy & the Sons of the American Legion

### Bluegrass Concert Series

*Joe Mullins and the Radio Ramblers*

Sunday, February 16, Doors Open at Noon, Show Starts at 2:00 pm

American Legion Post 238

Corner of MD Rte. 281 and 221, Hughesville



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Corner of MD Rts. 381 and 231, Hughesville  
Tickets: \$20, Children Under 12 are Free with a Paying Adult  
Dinner, Drinks, Desserts Available for Purchase

Go-Diva! Productions



Returning again with his traditional sound, Joe Mullins and the Radio Ramblers are the guys who are among the elite in the business keeping the fires lit for the original Bluegrass sound. For more information, go to

[www.americanlegionbluegrass.com](http://www.americanlegionbluegrass.com).

## The Newtowne Players

### *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change*

Now through February 16

Thursdays - Saturdays, 8:00 pm

Sundays, 3:30 pm

Three Notch Theatre

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park

Tickets: \$18 Adults; \$15 Military/Seniors/Students; \$13 Children

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



This celebration of the mating game takes on the truths and myths behind that contemporary conundrum known as "the relationship." From dating and waiting to love and marriage, the show takes us through the agonies and triumphs of in-laws, newborns, family trips, and pick-up techniques of the geriatric set. This hilarious revue pays tribute to those who have loved and lost, to those who have fallen on their face at the portal of romance, to those who have dared to ask, "Say, what are you doing Saturday night?" For more information, call 301-737-5447.

## The Newtowne Players

### *Auditions: Mama Mia*

Tuesday, February 18, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Thursday, February 20, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Callbacks, Saturday, February 22, 10:00 am, If Necessary

Three Notch Theatre Lobby

21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park

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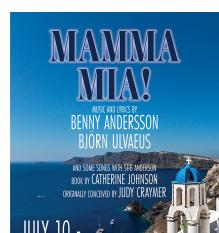
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**Haven't Joined Us?**

**Why Not Join Us Now?**



(Musical) ABBA's hits tell the hilarious story of a young woman's search for her birth father. Come prepared with 32 bars of music in the style of the show, sheet music, and dressed in clothing you can move in for the dance audition. An accompanist will be provided. Music from the show is neither recommended nor necessary. Performance dates are July 10 - August 22, 2020. For more information, send an email.

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



JULY 10 -  
AUGUST 2  
2020. For more information, send an email  
to auditions@newtownneplayers.org or visit the [website](#).

## Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland *A Notable Affair - An Evening of Arts and Elegance*

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Sunday, February 23, 3:00 - 5:00 pm

La Plata High School

6035 Radio Station Road, La Plata

Tickets: \$25 General; \$15 Children 12 and under



Celebrate Black History Month, with an afternoon of arts and elegance. The event features Soprano, Meroe Adeeb and world renowned Bass Baritone, Kevin Short. Both have roots in Charles County and are returning to the community for a one-of-a-kind, memorable concert! For more information, contact Wualanda Thenstead at [wualanda.thenstead@gmail.com](mailto:wualanda.thenstead@gmail.com) or 301-751-1734.

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.

The *Newsflash* is published every Thursday. If you would like your event included, contact the CCAA office by email at [info@charlescountyarts.org](mailto: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.

## Southern Maryland Traditional Music and Dance

*House of Hamill*

Friday, February 28, 7:30 pm

Christ Church Parish Hall

37497 Zach Fowler Road, Chaptico

Admission: \$15 General; \$10 SMTMD Members; Free Children 17 and Under



Coming to Southern Maryland for the first time, SMTMD presents the Celtic folk rock duo House of Hamill for one live evening performance. Complimentary beverages and snacks are available. For more information, visit their [website](#).

## National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

### *Academic Cultural Technological Scientific Olympics (ACT-SO)*

Workshop: March 7, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Waldorf Center for Higher Education

3261 Old Washington Road, #1020, Waldorf

Local Competition: Saturday, April 18, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

North Point High School



High school students, parents, teachers, and community supporters are invited to attend the ACT-SO workshop to learn more about the Charles County ACT-SO Program. ACT-SO is open to all Charles County High School students, and provides a forum for students to develop and showcase their talents and skills for a chance to compete locally and nationally. Click [here](#) for the listed categories. The program is also seeking adult mentors, coaches, and volunteers. For more information, send an email to actso.ccnaacp@gmail.com.

## Port Tobacco Players

### *You're A Good Man Charlie Brown*

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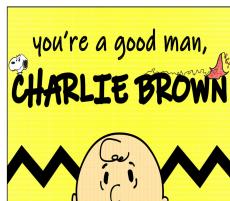
March 13 through April 5

Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 pm

Sundays, 3:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

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



Charles Schulz's beloved comic comes to life in this classic family-friendly musical. The whole gang is here: Lucy, Schroeder, Sally, Linus, Snoopy, and Charlie Brown, and all in rare form. Brief vignettes span the months from Valentine's Day to Beethoven Day, from wild optimism to utter despair. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819.

## Steam Onward

### [Call for Entries: Charles County Got Talent](#)

Registration Deadline: April 5, 2020



CHARLES COUNTY GOT TALENT

Audition videos are now being accepted for this Youth Talent Show open to ages 5 - 21. All disciplines are welcome to enter, including: Choirs, Singers, Rappers, and Dancers. Click [here](#) to submit your audition video. For more information, send an email to steamonward.org@gmail.com.

## Maryland State Arts Council

### *Grant Opportunities*

Applications are now being accepted for three

## VISUAL ARTS {top}

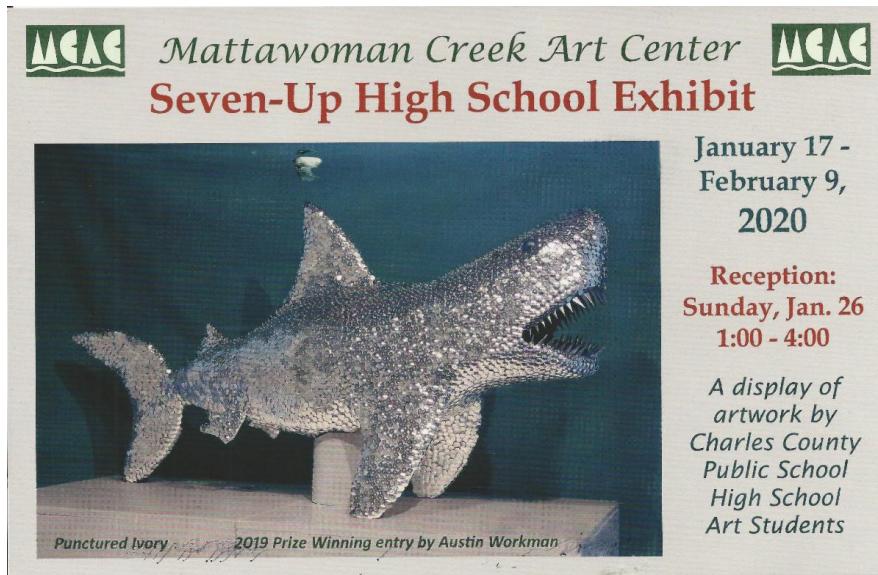
### Mattawoman Creek Art Center

#### *Seven-Up High School Exhibit*

Exhibit: Now through February 9

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



A showcase of the best works of art students from the seven Charles County High Schools. For more information, visit [mattawomanart.org](http://mattawomanart.org).

### Mattawoman Creek Art Center

#### *Call for Entries: Winter Open All Media Show*

Entry Fee: \$5 per Piece for Up to 3 Pieces MCAC Members; \$10 Per Piece or \$25 for 3 Pieces for Non-Members

Artwork Delivery: Friday and Saturday, February 7 and February 8

Opening Reception: Sunday, February 23, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Exhibit: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, February 21 - March 22

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



February 21 - March 22, Reception on Sunday, Feb. 23, 1:00-4:00





First Hunt

by Gene McCandless

Artists 18 and older are invited to submit their original artwork with the optional theme of *The Art of Winter*. Click [here](#) for additional details. For more information, visit the MCAC [website](#) or email the Show Chair at [mccan1@verizon.net](mailto:mccan1@verizon.net).

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## College of Southern Maryland

Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery

*Beverly Ress: Sic Transit Gloria Mundi*

February 10 - March 19

Artist Lecture: February 11, 3:00 pm

Fine Arts Building

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am to 9:00 pm; Saturday, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Beverly Ress has a deep background in sculpture, and a current focus on drawing. Her work is exhibited throughout the US and abroad. She has been drawing representationally for many years, and interested in the observation required for representational drawing. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or visit the [website](#).



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## Mattawoman Creek Art Center

*Open Studio on Fridays, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm*

Smallwood State Park, 5565 Upham Place, Marbury

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



Come and paint at your leisure. Bring your own supplies and a friend. For more information, contact Nancy Owens at [nancypaints@verizon.net](mailto:nancypaints@verizon.net).

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## HERE'S WHAT IS HANGING NOW!



CCA-SUPPORTED ART GALLERY

## **Charlotte Hall Veterans Home**

**Multi-Artist Show through July, 2020**

E-Wing Assisted Living Dining Hallway

29449 Charlotte Hall Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622

Gallery Hours: Daily, 10:00 am to 8:00 pm

## **CCAA-SPONSORED ART GALLERIES**

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

**Solo Show with Theresa Alo through April 7, 2020**

200 Baltimore Street, La Plata, MD 20646

Gallery hours: Weekdays, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

### **Community Bank of the Chesapeake - Waldorf**

**Multi-Artist Show through April 17, 2020**

3035 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf, MD 20601

Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

### **Community Bank of the Chesapeake - Charlotte Hall**

**Featuring Works by Arnold Hurley, through April 23, 2020**

30165 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622

Gallery Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm,

Friday, 9:00 am - 6:00 pm; Saturday, 9:00 am to noon

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

**Solo Show with Josh Owen through April 8, 2020**

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.**

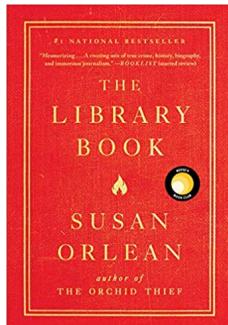
## **LITERARY ARTS** {top}

### **Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion**

**Thursday, February 6, 1:00 pm**

**1210 Charles Street, La Plata**

**For more information, call 301-934-9001**



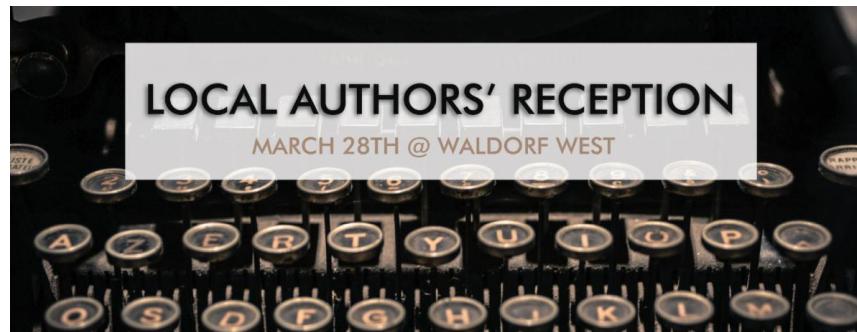
**The Library Book by Susan Orlean.** On the morning of April 28, 1986, a fire alarm sounded in the Los Angeles Public Library. The fire was disastrous: it reached two thousand degrees and burned for more than seven hours. By the time it was extinguished, it had consumed four hundred thousand books and damaged seven hundred thousand more. Investigators descended on the scene, but more than thirty years later, the mystery remains: Did someone purposefully set fire to the library, and if so, who?

**Submission Deadline: February 8, 11:59 pm**

Reception: Saturday, March 28, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf



CCPL is looking for local talent to participate in its upcoming Local Author's Reception. Click [HERE](#) to be considered for participation. Authors will be notified of selection by February 22. For more information, visit their [website](#).

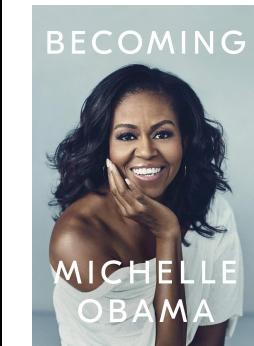
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## La Plata Library Book Discussion

Thursday, February 13, 7:00 pm

2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata

For more information, call 301-934-9001



**Becoming** by Michelle Obama. *Becoming* is the memoir of former United States First Lady Michelle Obama. Described by the author as a deeply personal experience, the book talks about her roots and how she found her voice, as well as her time in the White House, her public health campaign, and her role as a mother.

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## Life Journeys Writers Guild

### *Nuts and Bolts Gathering*

Saturday, February 15, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

Free and Open to the Public



Come to the LJWC's Nuts and Bolts Gathering and expect to hear great reads, to join in the rich dialogue and critiques, while networking and learning industry info. And there's always more. Members, bring your works to read. Visitors, come check them out, network and critique. For more information, visit their [website](#).

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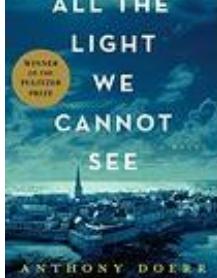
## Waldorf Jaycee Center Book Discussion

Wednesday, February 19, 1:00 pm

Jaycees Center, 3090 Crain Highway, Waldorf

For more information, call 301-645-2864

*All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr



*All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr.  
The paths of Marie-Laure, a blind French girl, and Werner Pfennig, a German boy, collide in occupied France, as both try to survive the devastation of World War II. By interweaving their lives, *All the Light We Cannot See*, illuminates the ways, against all odds, people try to be good to one another.

## Maryland Writers' Association

**Notable Maryland Author for February:** [Alice McGill](#)

Submit Entries to [Fun With Words](#)

Deadline to Submit: February 25



Maryland Writers' Association invites you to have fun writing children's literature for ages 7 - 12 using up to 100 words. Select a protagonist that mirrors your race or cultural group and write about an issue involving your race or cultural group. All entries will be published at [www.mwawritersroundtable.org](http://www.mwawritersroundtable.org).

## Writers of Color Book Discussion Group

Tuesday, February 25, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

PD Brown Branch, 50 Village Street, Waldorf

For more information, call 301-645-2864



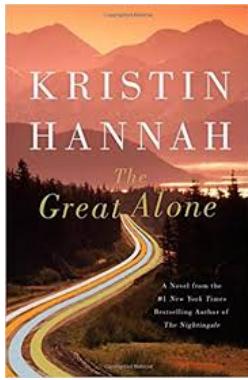
**The Nickel Boys** by Colson Whitehead. Set in the 1960s, *The Nickel Boys* follows two boys, Elwood and Turner, as they struggle to survive in a racially segregated reform school. The novel's Nickel Academy is based on the Florida School for Boys, where more than fifty unmarked graves were found after the facility's closure in 2011.

## Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, February 26, 11:00 am

100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head

For more information, call 301-375-7375



**The Great Alone** by Kristin Hannah. In *The Great Alone*, the Allbrights are a family who move to a small town in Alaska for a new start. Ernt, the father, is a Vietnam veteran and former POW who has struggled emotionally since the war. Cora, his wife, loves him and tries to help him. Leni is their young daughter. Leni is hopeful when they first arrive in the small outpost of Kaneq. But as the days shorten and the sky darkens when winter approaches, Ernt's temper and volatile impulses re-emerge. As Leni grows up, she and her mother must manage Ernt and the demons which haunt him.

## Waldorf Adult Book Discussion

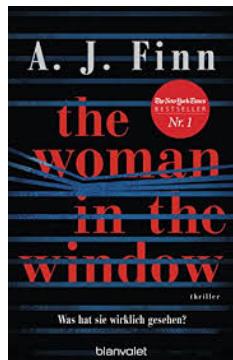
Saturday, March 7, 9:30 am - 10:30 am

**Saturday, March 7, 9:30 am - 10:30 am**

P.D. Brown Library

**50 Village Street, Waldorf**

**For more information, call 301-645-2864**



**The Woman in the Window** by A. J. Finn. Anna Fox lives alone, a recluse, in her New York City home, unable to venture outside. She spends her day drinking wine, watching old movies, recalling happier times, and spying on her neighbors. Then the Russells move into the house across the way: a father, mother, and their teenage son. The perfect family. However, when Anna, gazing out her window one night, sees something she shouldn't, her world begins to crumble, and its shocking secrets are laid bare. What is real? What is imagined? In this diabolically gripping thriller, no one-and nothing-is what it seems.

# COMMUNITY - HERITAGE - CULTURAL ARTS {top}

Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco

## *First Friday: A Chili Winter's Night*

**Friday, February 7, 6:00 pm**

## **Port Tobacco Courthouse**

**8430 Commerce Street,**



Join the SRPT for their next First Friday event, where five local authors will share highlights from their books over several types of chili. For more information, contact Nancy Bowling at 301-481-7542 or [nbowling@verizon.net](mailto:nbowling@verizon.net).

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Maryland State Arts Council

## ***Call for Panelists - Creativity Grants***

**Application Deadline: February 14**

**Click HERE to Apply**



The Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC) is seeking panelists to for the FY21 Creativity Grant Program. MSAC relies on a diverse array of arts and grants experts from the field to do the important work of evaluating grant applications. Creativity Grant panelists serve as a panelist for up to 12 months and remotely review grant applications between the 10th and 15th day of each month. For more information, visit their [website](#).

## **University of Maryland, Baltimore County and Arts Integration in Maryland Schools**

# 14th Annual Arts Integration Conference

Saturday, February 29, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Performing Arts Building

1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore

Registration Fee: \$35; \$29 Groups of 5 or More; Box Lunch Provided

**REGISTER NOW!**



Led by master teachers, artists, and arts organizations, attendees at AIC are sure to leap beyond their comfort zone, and acquire new skills, inspiration, and resources to bring Arts Integration to their classrooms.

The conference features keynote speaker Dr. Colby Tofel-Grehl, workshops, networking opportunities, and door prizes. For more information, visit [education.umbc.edu/aic](https://education.umbc.edu/aic).

## Maryland State Arts Council

### Creativity Grants

Click [HERE](#) for the Guidelines and Application Process

Applications accepted on a first-come, first-served basis

Deadlines for the Creativity Grant Program are rolling. MSAC began accepting applications on April 1, 2019, for the FY20 Application cycle (July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020).



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](#).

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

## Charles County Public Library

Stream TV, Movies and Music for FREE

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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, there are no late fees! Each cardholder is allowed six checkouts per month. All content is accessible via hoopla's mobile app and online at [hoopligital.com](http://hoopligital.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 under-served 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.