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March 5, 2020

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THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT
CCAA ARTS SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATIONS IS

**MARCH 6,
2020**



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All applications must be submitted by Noon. 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 or ronbrown990@gmail.com.

Charles County Arts Alliance

Poetry On Stage/Writers Unite



Sunday, March 29, 2020, 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Doors Open at 12:30, Close at 1:00 pm

Old Waldorf School

3064 Crain Highway, Waldorf

Free and Open to the Public, Pre-Registration Required

Click [HERE](#) to Pre-Register

The CCAA has partnered with Charles County Public Schools for its first county poetry competition - *Poetry On Stage*. High School students from La Plata, Lackey, North Point, St. Charles, and Westlake will present poetry, competing for crowd kudos and prizes.

Part 2 of the event, *Writers Unite*, is in partnership with Life Journeys Writers Guild and the Charles County Chapter of the Maryland Writers' Association. Local authors will share about writing and publishing from an author's panel. Attendees can meet local authors and ask plenty of questions about their books and writing styles during a book signing.

Arrive on time! Doors open at 12:30 and close at 1:00 pm for the poetry competition. The doors will reopen when all competitors have performed.

For more information, call the CCAA office at 301-392-5900.

The Charles County Arts Alliance 2020 Poetry on Stage Competition is not affiliated with the Maryland State Arts Council's Poetry Out Loud program or the National Endowment for the Arts and Poetry Foundation.

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

Charles County Public Library Programs and Events

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College of Southern Maryland

The Children's Hour

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

March 6 through 15

Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 pm

Sundays, 3:00 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

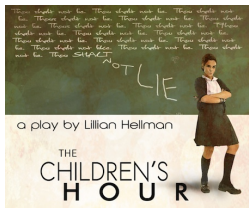
Tickets: \$10 Adults; \$8 Military, Seniors, Youth

Due to adult themes and situations, this production may not be suitable for

younger audiences

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A serious and adult play about two women who run a school for girls. After a malicious youngster starts a rumor about the two women, the rumor soon turns to scandal. As the young girl comes to understand the power she wields, she sticks by her story, which precipitates tragedy for the women. It is later discovered that the gossip was pure invention, but it is too late. For more information, visit the CSM [website](#).



Ward Virts Concert Series: CSM Chamber Musicians

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



The Ward Virts Concert Series continues and features the CSM Chamber Musicians for the month of March. For more information, visit the CSM [website](#).



Benny C. Morgan Concert Series: Leah Finck, Violin

Saturday, March 14, 3:00 pm
22950 Hollywood Road, Building A, Room 206, Leonardtown
Free and Open to the Public



Multi-talented violinist Leah Finck is the next featured musician in the concert series. She is a passionate performer, creator, and curator of contemporary classical music. For more information visit the CSM [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
2500 Davis Road, Waldorf

Application Deadline: Friday, March 20

Click [HERE](#) to Apply



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



ACT-SO
**Academic Cultural Technological
 Scientific Olympics**
APPLY NOW!
www.charlescountynaacp.org/act-so

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.



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Southern Maryland Christian Academy

The Missionary of Oz

Thursday, March 12, 4:30 pm

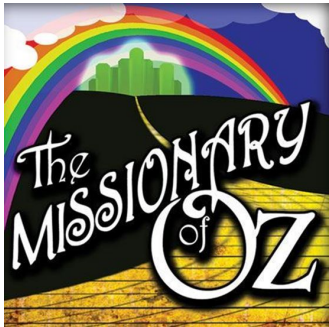
Friday, March 13, 6:30 pm

Saturday, March 14, 5:30 pm

9805 Faith Baptist Road, Waldorf (Chapel)

Pre-Sale: \$7 General; \$5 Students

At the Door: \$9 General; \$7 Students



Come and support the SMCA Drama Club as they perform *The Missionary of Oz*, a church adaptation of Frank Baum's classic story. In this version, Dorothy is a teenager in Kansas who is uncertain about what she believes. She finds herself sent to a strange land, Oz, in a dream. On her journey, she encounters several familiar characters and ultimately finds her way out of uncertainty. For more information, call 301-870-2550.

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)

Port Tobacco Players

You're A Good Man Charlie Brown

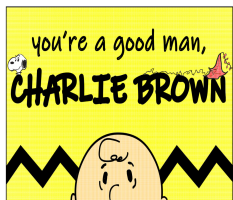
March 13 through April 5

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.

Southern Maryland Traditional Music and Dance

March Contra Dance

Saturday, March 14, 7:30 pm

Christ Church Parish Hall

37497 Zach Fowler Road, Chaptico

Admission: \$6 SMTMD Members; \$10 Non-Members; Free for Children 17



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



and the dance begins at 7:00 pm. There will be an ice cream social during the intermission. Please bring a water bottle to the dance. For more information, visit the [website](#).

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Port Tobacco Players

Auditions: *Legally Blonde, The Musical*

Dog Paw-ditions: Thursday, March 19, 7:00 pm
Saturday, March 21, 9:00 am
Monday, March 23 and Tuesday, March 24, 7:00 pm
Callbacks, If Necessary, Tuesday, March 31, 7:00 pm
508 Charles Street, La Plata



Dog actors must enjoy being around humans and not afraid of loud or quick noises. Human actors should come prepared with sheet music to sing 16-32 bars of a musical theater song (nothing from Legally Blonde). Cold readings will follow. Comfortable and appropriate attire recommended. For more information, contact Ann Marie Watson at amwatson77@gmail.com.

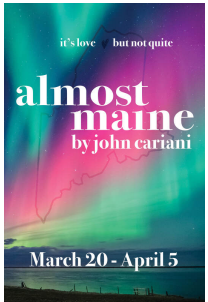
- [Jason Fine Jewelry and Home Boutique](#)
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The Newtowne Players

Almost Maine



March 20 through April 5
Thursdays - Saturdays, 8:00 pm
Sundays, 3:30 pm
21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park
Tickets: \$15 General; \$12 Seniors, Students, Military; \$10 Children



Welcome to Almost, Maine, a place that's so far north, it's almost not in the United States. And it's not quite a town, because its residents never got around to getting organized. So it almost doesn't exist. One cold, clear, winter night, as the northern lights hover in the star-filled sky above, the residents of Almost, Maine, find themselves falling in and out of love in unexpected and hilarious ways. Knees are bruised. Hearts are broken. But the bruises heal, and the hearts mend-almost-in this delightful midwinter night's dream. For more information, call 301-737-544.

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Cosmic Symphony and Southern Maryland Youth Orchestra

Family Concert

Saturday, March 21, 4:00 pm
Patuxent Presbyterian Church
23421 Kingston Creek Road, California
Free and Open the Public

Sunday, March 22, 3:00 pm
Southern Senior High School
4400 Solomons Island Road, Harwood
Tickets: \$25 General; Free Ages 17 and Under

Haven't Joined Us?

Why Not Join Us Now?



Cosmic Symphony and SMYOC's Youth Orchestra will perform side-by-side in their annual Family Concert. Selections will include Beethoven's *Coriolan Overture* and Mozart's *Piano Concerto no. 19*, and feature Young Artists' Competition winners. For more information, visit Cosmic Symphony's [website](#).

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



Click [here](#) for the downloadable form to join or renew by mail.

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

Sideline

Sunday, March 22, Doors Open at Noon, Show Starts at 2:00 pm

American Legion Post 238

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



Sideline is a pedigreed six-piece powerhouse whose style has set the pace in Bluegrass for over two decades. Listening to them reminds the fan of why so many people fall in love with Bluegrass in the first place; pulse-pounding drive and songs sung from the heart. For more information, go to www.americanlegionbluegrass.com.

Southern Maryland Traditional Music and Dance

Open Mic Night

Friday, March 27, 7:30 pm, Doors Open at 7:00 pm

Christ Church Parish Hall

37497 Zack Fowler Road, Chaptico

Admission: \$7; Performers Admitted Free

Light Refreshments Will Be Available



Acoustic musicians of all skill levels are warmly welcomed to the SMTMD Open Mic. Come out for some great music and friendship, to hone your performance skills, meet new friends, and possibly learn a few new licks. For more information and to sign up to perform, contact Mike at smtmdmike@gmail.com or visit their [website](#).

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 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.

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

Seth Mulder and Midnight Run

Sunday, April 5, Doors Open at Noon, Show Starts at 2:00 pm

American Legion Post 238

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



Originating in the Gateway of the Great Smoky Mountains, Seth Mulder and Midnight Run began its journey in February of 2015, at the Ole Smoky Moonshine Distillery in Gatlinburg, Tennessee performing daily. Midnight Run is a high-energy, Tennessee-based bluegrass band made up of four like-minded musicians and graduates of college music programs. They set out to create a group that is tied to the rich traditions of bluegrass music and offer up a fresh approach to the "High Lonesome" sound. For more information, go to

www.americanlegionbluegrass.com.

Steam Onward

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

Registration Deadline: April 5, 2020

Showcase: Saturday, May 2

Westlake High School

3300 Middletown Road, Waldorf



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 programs: [Artist in Residence](#), [Presenting and Touring](#), [Creativity Grants](#), [Public Art Across Maryland](#), and [Professional Development](#). Click on each grant type for guidelines. For more

information, visit <https://www.msac.org/programs> or call 410-767-6555.

VISUAL ARTS [{top}](#)

Community Bank of the Chesapeake *Call for Artists*



Community Bank *of the Chesapeake**

Theme is "Artists Choice"

Exhibit Dates: April 17 to August 18, 2020

Click [HERE](#) for Submission Details

Deadline to Submit: March 27

Community Bank of the Chesapeake, in partnership with the Charles County Arts Alliance, is now accepting submissions for their next multi-media art show to be held at the Main Waldorf Branch, 3035 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf, MD.

Artwork entries must be submitted electronically as digital images (jpegs) attached to an email sent to artsalliancegalleries@gmail.com. Please reference "Community Bank Gallery" in the subject line.

For more information on the gallery, please contact Gale Kladitis at gkladitis@comcast.net.

College of Southern Maryland Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery *Beverly Ress: Sic Transit Gloria Mundi*

Now through 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](#).

Mattawoman Creek Art Center

The Art of Winter: Winter Open All-Media Show

Exhibit: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Now through 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

 *Mattawoman Creek Art Center* 
2020 Winter Open All-Media Show
February 21 - March 22, Reception on Sunday, Feb. 23, 1:00-4:00



First Hunt

by Gene McCandless

This exhibit features artwork in varying styles, forms, and media by regional artists. For more information, visit the MCAC [website](#).

Mattawoman Creek Art Center

Workshop: Beginning Scratchboard

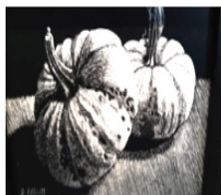
Saturday, April 4, Noon - 4:00 pm

Instructor: Janice Elliott

Smallwood State Park, 5565 Upham Place, Marbury

Admission is Free for MCAC Visitors; Inform the Park Ranger When Entering the Park

Fee: **\$55 If Paid by March 20; \$65 Regular**



Learn the art of scratchboard painting in Janice Elliott's four-hour workshop for adults. Instruction includes transferring images to the 5" x 7" board, indinting shapes and value changes, scratching the image into the surface, correction methods, and finishing. All materials

will be provided! To register, click [here](#), complete the registration form, and mail it with your registration fee to MCAC, PO Box 258, Marbury MD. For more information, visit their [website](#).

Southern Maryland Decorative Painters

Paint-In

Saturday, March 28, 9:30 am

Immaculate Conception Church (Hall behind the Church)

28297 Old Village Road, Mechanicsville



Leslie Cates, will lead the Sharon Teal Coray project, "Secret Visitor." Guests are always welcome and should contact Garnett Joy at 301-884-2835 for the list of supplies. For more information, send an email to smdp.LearnToPaint@gmail.com.

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.

HERE'S WHAT IS HANGING NOW!



CCAA-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.

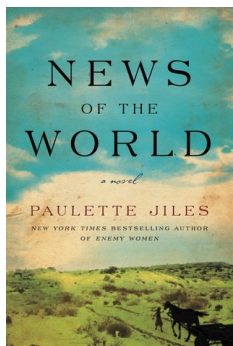
LITERARY ARTS {top}

Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion

Thursday, March 5, 1:00 pm

1210 Charles Street, La Plata

For more information, call 301-934-9001



News of the World by Paulette Jiles. In the aftermath of the Civil War, old war hero, Captain Kidd agrees to transport a young captive of the Kiowa back to her people in this historical fiction story. The young girl might look like her German relatives, but she believes she is a Kiowa. Captain Kidd must find a way to integrate the young girl, who had lived with the Kiowa for four years, back into Western culture while fighting to keep her safe from dangers such as outlaws and Western Society standards.

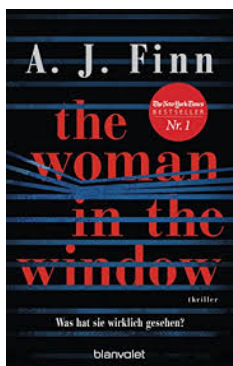
Waldorf Adult Book Discussion

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.

Tri-County (MD) Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

Ready to Excel: Reading Extravaganza

Saturday, March 7, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Samuel A. Mudd Elementary School

820 Stone Avenue, Waldorf

[REGISTER NOW!](#)



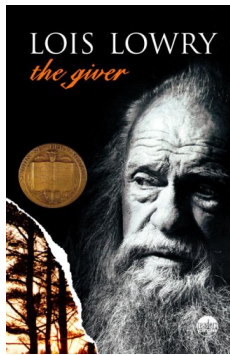
Tri-County (MD) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. presents a Reading Extravaganza and Book Fair through interactive music, movement, and storytelling. The event will feature The Uncle Devin Show, James Colliers, and Parker Curry. There will also be snacks and free gift bags for the children in attendance. Please pre-register to attend. For more information, visit [here](#).

La Plata Library Book Discussion

Thursday, March 12, 7:00 pm

2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata

For more information, call 301-934-9001



***The Giver* by Lois Lowry**. Jonas's world is perfect. Everything is under control. There is no war or fear of pain. There are no choices. Every person is assigned a role in the community. Jonas lives in a seemingly ideal world. When Jonas turns 12 he is singled out to receive special training from The Giver. The Giver alone holds the memories of the true pain and pleasure of life. Not until he is given his life assignment as the Receiver does Jonas begin to understand the dark secrets behind this fragile community. Now, it is time for Jonas to receive the truth. There is no turning back.

College of Southern Maryland Connections Literary Readings

Jake Shore, Playwright

Friday, March 13, Round Table: 4:00 pm, Reading: 7:30 pm

Building A, Auditorium

22950 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown

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



Jake Shore is an award-winning playwright whose play *Holy Moly* premiered at the Flea Theater in 2016 and was simultaneously released with its tandem novel, *A Country for Fibbing*. His play *Down the Mountain and Across the Stream* won the Overall Excellence in Play Writing Award at the 2013 New York International Fringe Festival. He has also published a host of short stories. For more information and advance tickets, call the CSM box office at 301-934-7828 or visit the CSM [website](#).

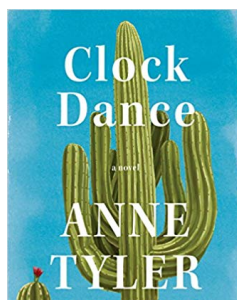
Saturday Book Discussion

Saturday, March 14, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

For more information, call 301-645-1395



***Clock Dance* by Anne Tyler**. Willa Drake can count on one hand the defining moments of her life. In 1967, she is a schoolgirl coping with her mother's sudden disappearance. In 1977, she is a college coed considering a marriage proposal. In 1997, she is a young widow trying to piece her life back together. And in 2017, she yearns to be a grandmother but isn't sure she ever will be. Then, one day, Willa receives a startling phone call from a stranger. Without fully



understanding why, she flies across the country to Baltimore to look after a young woman she's never met, her nine-year-old daughter, and their dog, Airplane. This

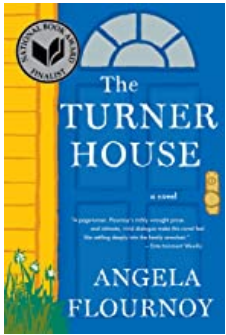
impulsive decision will lead Willa into uncharted territory--surrounded by eccentric neighbors who treat each other like family, she finds solace and fulfillment in unexpected places.

Waldorf Jaycee Center Book Discussion

Wednesday, March 18, 1:00 pm

Jaycees Center, 3090 Crain Highway, Waldorf

For more information, call 301-645-2864



The Turner House by Angela Flournoy. *The Turner House* follows Francis and Viola Turner as they find their way out of the poverty of sharecropping in Arkansas to Detroit, where they eventually raise a family of thirteen children. In Detroit, most of the children were raised in a house on Yarrow Street - a house with more room than anywhere they'd ever lived before and that gave them hope for the future.

Life Journeys Writers Guild

Nuts and Bolts Gathering

Saturday, March 21, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

Free and Open to the Public



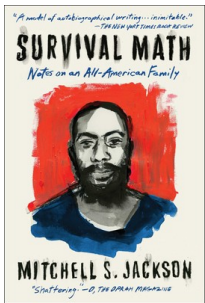
Come to the LJWC's next Nuts and Bolts Gathering and expect to hear great reads, to join in the rich dialogue and critiques, while networking and learning industry info. And there's always more. Members, bring your works to read. Visitors, come check them out, network, and critique. For more information,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

Writers of Color Book Discussion Group

Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

PD Brown Branch, 50 Village Street, Waldorf

For more information, call 301-645-2864



Survival Math: Notes on an American Family by Mitchell S. Jackson. *Survival Math* is a non-fiction book that explores gangs and guns, near-death experiences, sex work, the destructive power of addiction, and more, all framed within the story of the author, his family, and his community. Mitchell Jackson shows us his youth in Portland, Oregon with a mix of humor, wide interrogation, and indelible tragedy.

Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

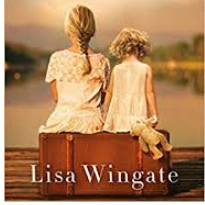
Wednesday, March 25, 11:00 am

100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head

For more information, call 301-375-7375



Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate. In Memphis, 1939, twelve-year-old Rill Foss and her four younger siblings live a magical life aboard their family's Mississippi River shantytown. One stormy night their father must rush



When Shanny took the family right the father made them their mother to the hospital and Rill is left in charge, until strangers arrive in force. The Foss children are wrenched from all that is familiar and thrown into a Tennessee Children's Home Society orphanage. Based on one of America's most notorious real-life scandals, where poor children were kidnapped and sold to wealthy families all over the country.

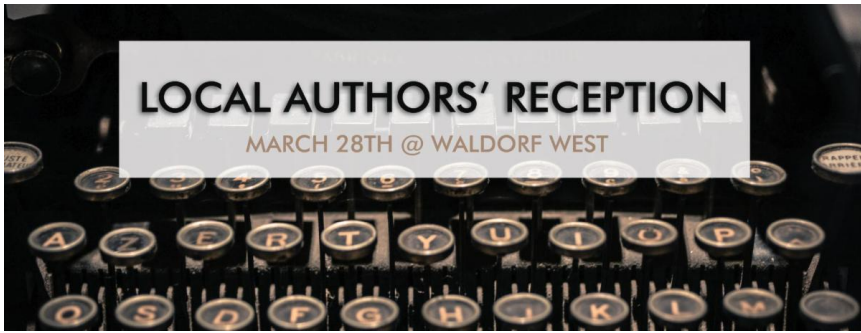
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Local Authors' Reception

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

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf



Meet and greet local authors to hear about their stories and have the opportunity to purchase their works. For more information, visit the CCPL [website](#).

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Society for the Restoration of Port Tobacco

First Friday: Women in the Civil War (and Others) Part III

Friday, March 6, 6:00 pm

Port Tobacco Courthouse

8430 Commerce Street, Port Tobacco

Suggested Donation: \$5

Join me for an evening of
WOMEN IN THE CIVIL WAR (AND OTHERS)
PART III
Presented by Donna Peterson
from the Dr. Mudd Museum



First Friday Event
March 6, 2020, 6:00pm
Port Tobacco Courthouse
8430 Commerce Street
Port Tobacco, MD 20677

Join the SRPT for their First Friday event, as Donna Peterson from the Dr. Mudd Museum takes you back in time. For more information, contact Nancy Bowling at 301-481-7542 or nbowling@verizon.net.

Maryland State Arts Council

Upcoming Opportunities



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Call for Panelists - Folklife Apprenticeships

Deadline: March 7, 11:59 pm

Click [HERE](#) to Apply

The MSAC is seeking panelists to review Folklife Apprenticeship applications for the 2021 fiscal year. Folklife Apprenticeships fund the teaching of skills from a master to a learner artist in folklife or living cultural traditions. Selected panelists are appointed by MSAC for a one-year term. For more information, contact Chad Buterbaugh at chad.buterbaugh@maryland.gov or 410.767.6450.

Call for Stories Featuring Women in the Arts

Deadline: Ongoing

Send Your Ideas [HERE](#)

The MSAC is seeking stories about women in the arts and making efforts to highlight these stories throughout the year. When sending your ideas, include "Year of the Woman" in the subject line. For more information visit [here](#).

Call for Stories Featuring Entrepreneurship in the Arts

Deadline: Ongoing

Send Your Ideas [HERE](#)

The MSAC is seeking stories about entrepreneurship in the arts and making efforts to highlight these stories throughout the year. When sending your ideas, include "Entrepreneurship in the Arts" in the subject line. For more information visit [here](#).

Phoenix International School of the Arts

Dream Academy: Performing Arts

Saturday, March 14, 8:15 am - 4:00 pm

Location to be Announced, Waldorf

Free and Open to the Public

REGISTER NOW!



Dream Academy is a series of Saturday camps for Charles County youth, ages 9 - 11. This first installment explores the Performing Arts. For more information, send an email to Angelica Jackson at AJacksonService@gmail.com.

Charles County Arts Alliance

ArtsFest 2020: Call for Vendors

Saturday, June 13, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Deadline: May 31

La Plata Town Hall

305 Queen Anne Street, La Plata

Click [HERE](#) for Registration Forms





Exhibitors and food vendors are invited to register for the 28th annual ArtsFest. This is the largest arts festival in Charles County, and one of the largest in Southern Maryland. For more information, contact the CCAA office at 301-392-5900 or info@charlescountyarts.org.

Maryland Citizens for the Arts

MD Arts Summit 2020

Sunday, June 14 through Monday, June 15

University of Maryland at Baltimore County

1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore



The Maryland Arts Summit is the first of its kind for the arts sector in Maryland, highlighting the work that is being done through our communities. Dialogue, learning and networking opportunities will focus on the growth of Maryland arts. For questions about the Summit, please send an email to info@mdarts.org or call MCA at (410) 467-6700.

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

Get the [SCOOP](#) on What's Happening!



The Department of Community Services operates each of the County's Senior Centers, where citizens 60 and older may access a variety of programs and services, including: Social/Recreational activities, Clubs, Special Events, Trips, Nutritious Lunches, Health and Screenings Programs, Health Scope/Visit the Nurse, Educational programs, Physical Fitness programs, Creative Arts, and Computer Lab/Classes. For more activities and events, get the [March](#) 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, 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 hoopladigital.com.

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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 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.