

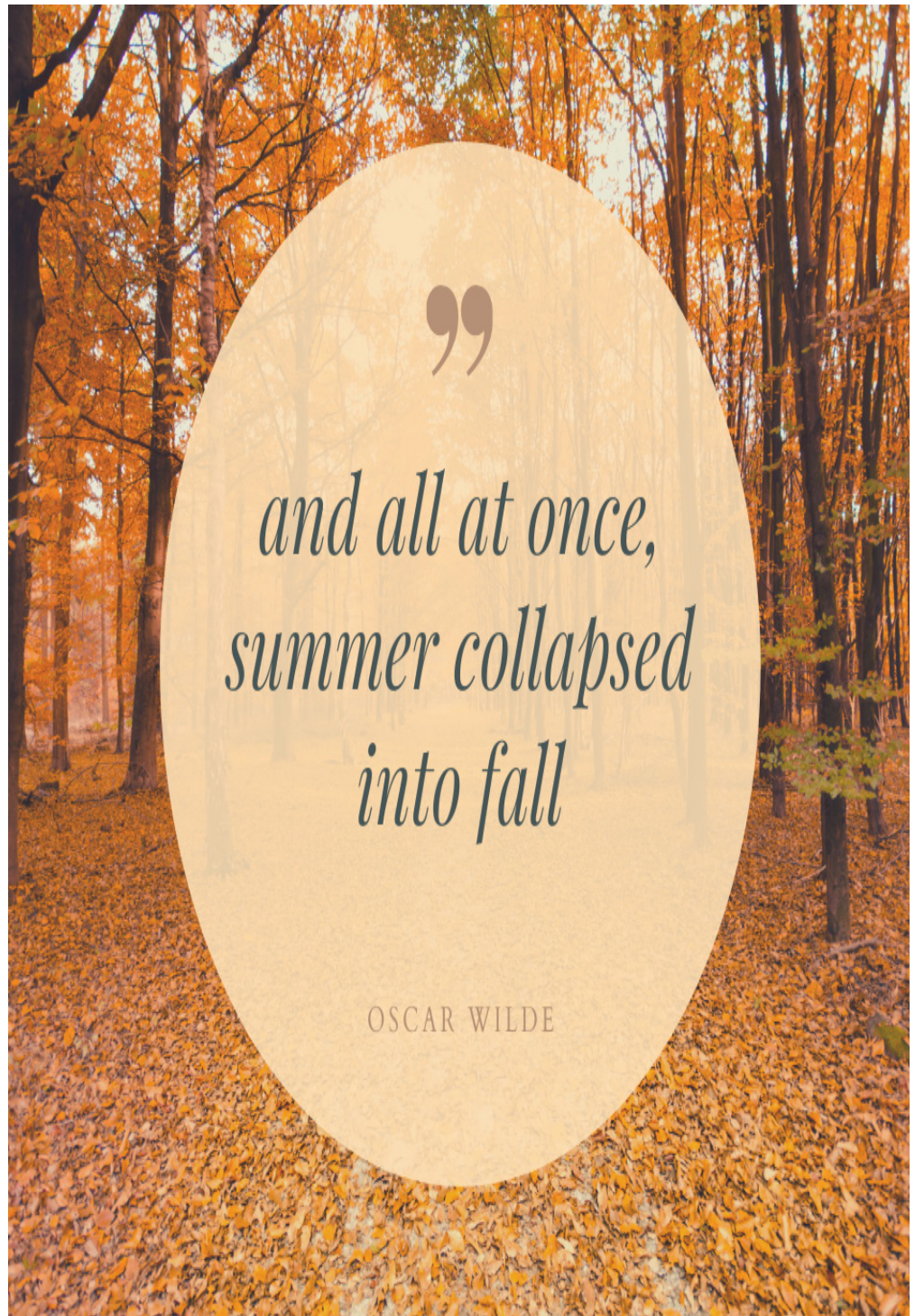
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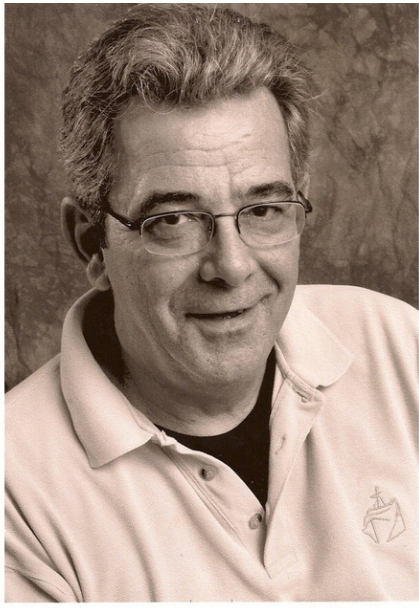
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President's Letter

Dear Members and Friends,



We are well into Fall now and soon in October/November we will see bonfires and smoke curling out of many chimneys. So, I guess there is some "normalcy" in the midst of all this new normal. For us, there have been several innovations in our programming, and yet we have still had to make changes in our normal activities. Several of the art galleries we sponsor have new hangings to see and are open to the public once again. We expanded our Art Box program, with the help of CCBOE and the La Plata Target, and prepared 1,000 boxes for students in need of art supplies. Our CAD Grant program will be running a month behind with funds being released in December instead of in November. The Membership and Grant Award Gala has been canceled for this year, but we may still have a virtual format in January where grant recipients will share with us in person their plans and programs for 2021.

Soon we will have a list and calendar of venues and events, that although being canceled last Spring will be restarted and completed between January and June of 2021. Our staff will be presenting a new program on our YouTube channel called Second

Fridays. Some of our Board members are working on the development phase of an adult program in theater education. We will seek out scholarship recipients for our high schools, including for the first time St. Mary's Ryken. Hopefully, with the waning of the COVID-19 virus, we will bring back the ArtsFest in June of 2021.

We still need and ask for your support and hope that you will renew your membership when it is time to do so, and encourage others who have an interest in the growth of the arts to do so as well. 🍷

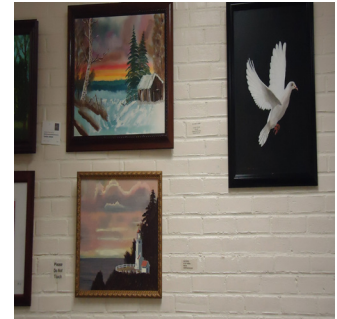
Stay Safe and Stay Well,

Robert

Robert K. Rausch

President, Charles County Arts Alliance

New Solo Show Opens at the Charles County Commissioner's Building



Gordon Johnson's Art Featured through January 12, 2021



Gordon R. Johnson was born and raised in Oxon Hill, Maryland. Growing up he always had the desire to own his own business and enjoyed art, drawing, building and creating just about anything. Gordon soon found himself performing odd and end home improvement jobs for his family and friends and established his own Home Improvement business where he worked until retirement. Once retired, he began to think about hobbies and building a workshop for wood projects. Before he knew it he found himself drawn to a few Bob Ross instructional videos on Painting. The workshop quickly turned into an Art Studio and he has been painting still life, seascapes and landscapes in watercolor, acrylic, oils...and loving it! Gordon continues his instruction under local Art

instructors and finding new inspirations to his paintings.

The Gallery is located at 200 Baltimore Street, La Plata, MD 20646. Gallery hours are weekdays, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm and can also be viewed online at charlescountyarts.org/galleries/commissioners-gallery-2.



Charles County Arts Alliance and Partners Assemble 1,000 Art Boxes for Charles County School Children



On Saturday, September 19, 2020 the Charles County Arts Alliance Board of Directors and Staff, Target – La Plata employees, and community volunteers followed social distance guidelines and assembled 1,000 art boxes for local school children at the Charles County Fairgrounds.

The art boxes contained glue, glue sticks, #2 pencils, safety scissors, erasers, colored pencils and crayons. This annual project equips school children with necessary tools to support their virtual and in-person classroom experiences and was supported in part by the Charles County Charitable Trust.

The art boxes will be distributed under the direction of the Fine and Performing Arts Program of Charles County Public Schools.

A special thank you to our partners: Target-2133 in La Plata, Charles County Public Schools, and the Charles County Fairgrounds, and to community volunteers Olga, Victoria, and Daniel Herrera.



Captions:

Top (Left to Right): Target Team Lead - Josh Whitmore, Target HR - Bryan Chase, Target volunteer - Anna Tasker, CCAA Board Members - Lew McIntyre and wife Karen, Secretary/Treasurer Ronald Brown, President Robert Rausch, Target Team Leader - Wesley Sims, Target volunteer - Jess Dlamini, community volunteer - Victoria Herrera, Target ETL HR - Amie Collins, unnamed Target volunteer, CCAA Board members Johnathon Clinkscales, Diane Rausch, Angelica Jackson, community volunteers - Olga and Daniel Herrera. Photo by Mary Whitmore.

Middle (Left to Right): CCAA Board member Cindy Johnson and Angelica Jackson; Josh Whitmore, Bryan Chase, unnamed, and Olga Herrera. Photos by Johnathon Clinkscales; Target-2133 Volunteer Team and CCAA Administrative Director Monique Walker. Photo by Mary Whitmore.

Community Arts Development Grant Applications Available!



CAD grant applications are now available for arts programming scheduled between January 1, 2021 and June 30, 2021. The application deadline is 12:00 pm, November 6, 2020. Visit the CCAA [website](#) to download the application. For more information, call (301) 392-5900.



The CCAA would love to hear from its members regarding possible new programming in theatre education, targeting ages 18 and up. Be sure to complete our short survey so we can assess membership interest. Click [HERE](#) to complete the survey today and thank you for your support! ✨



Register Today!
Southern Maryland
Regional Arts Summit
October 13, 2020, 4:00 - 6:30 pm



Regional Arts Summits are back, and this year, they are virtual!

Attend the southern Maryland summit for statewide updates from the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC), arts content-specific breakout groups, community sharing, and more – with options to connect with MSAC staff during daytime virtual office hours!

MSAC’s Regional Arts Summits are held virtually on Tuesdays convening artists and arts organizations from varying regions of the state. Visit the MSAC [website](#) for the schedule, session descriptions, and to register. 📍

Stay up to date with the latest programs, opportunities, and resources from the MSAC and its partnering organizations. Check out the list below. For more information, visit www.msac.org.

Opportunity	Description	Date/Deadline	More Information
2021 Heritage Awards	Nominations Now Open	October 15, 5:00 pm	Read more...
	POL Registration Register Here	November 2	Read more...
	Call for Judges & Coaches Apply Here	November 2	Read more...
MSAC Programs	Funding, Resources, and Professional Development	Ongoing	www.msac.org/programs
MSAC Envision Series	Focusing On Possibilities	Ongoing	www.msac.org/news/msac-envision-series-focusing-possibilities
MSDE Statewide Arts resources	Arts Together, Social Emotional Learning Through the Arts	Ongoing	www.msdefinearts.org/statewide-arts-resources

NATIONAL News



NATIONAL
arts&humanities
MONTH

October is National Arts & Humanities Month (NAHM)—a coast-to-coast collective recognition of the importance of culture in America. NAHM was launched by Americans for the Arts more than 30 years ago as National Arts Week in honor of the twentieth anniversary of the National Endowment for the Arts. In 1993, it was reestablished by Americans for the Arts and national arts partners as a month-long celebration, with goals of:

- FOCUSING** on the arts at local, state, and national levels;
- ENCOURAGING** individuals and organizations to participate in the arts;
- ALLOWING** governments and businesses to show their support of the arts; and
- RAISING** public awareness about the role the arts and humanities play in our communities and lives.

Get Involved!

Whether you've participated before or want to get involved for the first time, they have lots of ideas to help you celebrate. Here are four easy ways to bring NAHM to your community this October—and check their resources page for even more event ideas and tools.

- Join their 31-day Instagram challenge and encourage others to join, too! Find their daily themes and post along with them all month long using #ShowYourArt2019.
- Ask for a local government proclamation. Your mayor, city council, even your governor can officially declare National Arts & Humanities Month—and their sample proclamation (Word document download) will make it easy. (If you get one, make sure to send it to them!)
- Get the word out to the media, even if you've never spoken to the press before! Read their tips on working with the media (PDF download) to garner attention for your events. Download their press release template (Word document download) and customize it for your community. Or, get advice on how to write an op-ed or letter to the editor (PDF download) for your local paper.

- Host a Creative Conversation in your community. Gather local leaders (make it formal, or not!) to discuss the topic "How is the past shaping the future of the arts?". Learn more about how to start or find an event on our Creative Conversations resource page.

Click [HERE](#) to access all the helps, tips and downloads. 📄

#SHOWYOURART2020

FOR NATIONAL ARTS & HUMANITIES MONTH

Each day in October, post on your feed, story, or reels following these themes!

1 Identity art	11 Activism	21 Family + culture
2 Arts + learning	12 People in art	22 Creativity at work
3 #ArtsVote	13 Art in my home	23 On my bookshelf
4 Public art	14 Arts + healing	24 Typography
5 Art in the time of COVID	15 My favorite arts memory	25 Architecture
6 I made this!	16 Poetry	26 Why art matters
7 Mindful art	17 Creative cooking	27 Crafting
8 Film + TV	18 Nature	28 On my camera roll
9 Dance off!	19 #ArtsCreateHope	29 Draw + doodle
10 Things I collect	20 Repurposed art	30 Karaoke party!
		31 My big arts dream

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Thanks CCAA Members for Your Support!

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David Boarman, II
Brent Bovell
Justin Bowie
Kim Bowie-Hendricks
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Nicole Brown
Jackie Bryant
Johnathon Clinkscapes
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of Charles County, Inc.
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Center
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CCAA Membership Form



Performing • Visual • Literary

The mission of the Charles County Arts Alliance is to stimulate, promote, encourage and provide recognition of the arts and the creative spirit in Charles County, MD.

Show Your Support for the Arts by Joining the CCAA!

The benefits of CCAA membership last year-round:

- CCAA Arts Insider monthly E-newsletter
- CCAA Arts Newsflash weekly E-update of arts events
- \$1 discount for each ticket purchased for Port Tobacco Players theatrical productions
- CCAA voting privileges
- And most importantly, the satisfaction that comes from actively supporting the arts in Charles County!

Membership Categories (check one):

- Platinum Circle – \$500
- Gold Circle – \$250
- Silver Circle – \$150
- Arts Patron – \$125
- Arts Sponsor – \$100
- Arts Activist – \$75
- Family – \$50
- Individual – \$30
- Senior (60+) – \$20
- Youth (under 18) – \$10

Business & Nonprofit:

- Corporate – \$500
- Business – \$250
- Nonprofit Organization – \$75
- Other (Donations) _____

The CCAA is an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization.

All membership dues and donations are 100 percent tax-deductible.

Renewal

New Member

Name (exactly as you want it to appear in print):

Organization/Business (if applicable):

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

E-mail

Want to volunteer? We'd love the help!

- ArtsFest Committee
- Budget/Finance/Audit Committee
- Scholarship Committee
- Events Committee
- Gallery Committee
- Grant Committee
- Membership Committee
- Outreach/Marketing Committee
- Administrative/Office Work
- Technical/IT Support

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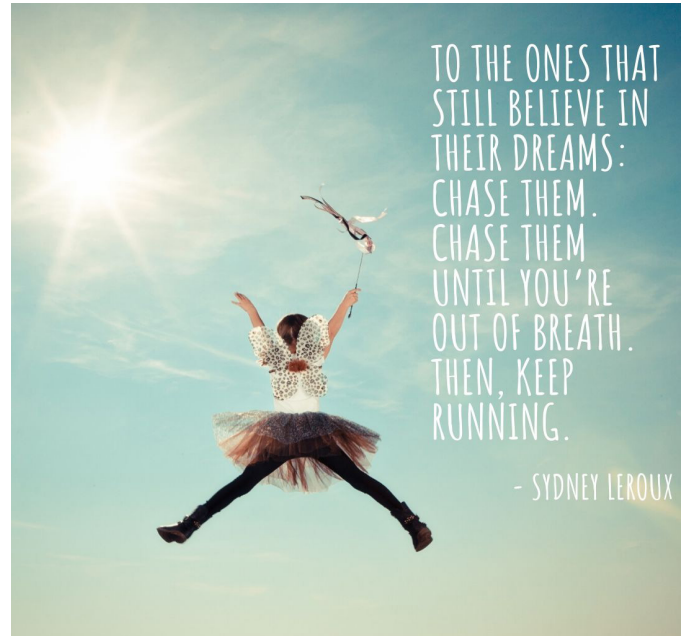
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