"Maryland Arts Day 2015" in Annapolis a Great Success!

Arts Alliance Joins Over 400 Statewide Arts Advocates

On February 10, members and friends of the Charles County Arts Alliance braved the frigid weather and trekked to Annapolis for Maryland Arts Day 2015. This is the annual statewide gathering of arts advocates showing their support for the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC), an agency of the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED).

Maryland Arts Day is presented each year by Maryland Citizens for the Arts (www.mdarts.org), in which we are a proud member. This year’s keynote speaker was truly inspiring and amazing: Dr. Freeman Hrabowski, President of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. Dr. Hrabowski spoke on the critical importance of the arts in education, in the human soul, and in human rights. He shared his own personal childhood story of joining Dr. Martin Luther King in Birmingham, Alabama, and the essential role music played in elevating his spirit while in jail. Dr. Hrabowski received a standing ovation from the attendees.

This year’s event brought together over 400 arts advocates statewide to speak to our Maryland state legislators about our concerns over the Governor Hogan’s proposed budgets for the MSAC. Specifically, the Governor proposed a 5% cut to the MSAC’s current FY 2015 budget, and another 5% cut to next year’s FY 2016 budget. Since the MSAC is the primary funding source for the county arts councils in Maryland (including us!), these proposed budget cuts are quite real, and if implemented, will be experienced directly by all 23 counties and Baltimore City.

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Dear Members and Friends,

Well, we have most certainly enjoyed a “Winter Wonderland” the past few weeks, even though some folks just cannot wait until spring is sprung. Even during this frosty period, the CCAA has continued to move forward in its ongoing mission to serve the citizens of Charles County and to support and expand the arts in our region.

Earlier this month, we were very pleased that 11 CCAA Board members and friends attended Maryland Arts Day in Annapolis to encourage our elected officials to stand up and be counted in preventing a 5% cut to this year’s, and next year’s funding of the Maryland State Arts Council. They were able to reduce some of the expected cut this year, but the next year has not as yet been decided.

On a brighter note, Office Manager Judy Crawford and I recently made presentations to the Charles County Rotary Club (La Plata) and the Kiwanis Club of Waldorf. A presentation to the Waldorf Rotary was snowed-out (it will be rescheduled) and soon we will be with the La Plata Kiwanis Club. These presentations are designed to inform other community service organizations about the broad scope of our CCAA artistic activities, as we work to help people of all ages and cultural backgrounds.

Further, our Gallery Committee has already begun preparation for its Spring Art Show at the Waldorf West Library, and has some 40 visual artists signed up. Our Scholarship application time has come to end, and soon the Scholarship Committee will begin its selection deliberations.

RIGHT NOW! All of our members have the opportunity to self-nominate themselves for a position on the CCAA Board of Directors for the next two years. Many of our current Board Members will be nominating themselves to return and help continue our work, and a few will be moving onward with our thanks for their work. We would welcome additional individuals who are leaders and want to help us grow and expand over the next few years.

So please submit your self-nomination by March 15 (see page 4 of this newsletter for details).

Of course we still have our Spring Art Show to present, our CCAA Annual Membership Meeting to convene, Scholarships to award, and an ArtsFest to produce before the end of our year on June 30. You will hear more about these events in next month’s newsletter.

Stay warm, and look for spring to appear!

Robert
Robert K. Rausch
President, Charles County Arts Alliance

From left to right: Jerry Peuler, past Kiwanis District Governor; CCAA President Robert Rausch; CCAA Office Manager Judy Crawford; and Terry Lane, immediate past President of the Waldorf Club, at the January 28, meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Waldorf.
We were very pleased to meet in person with our Charles County state legislators: State Senator “Mac” Middleton, Delegates Sally Jameson, Edith Patterson, C.T. Wilson, and in addition, Anthony O’Donnell (Calvert County). We sincerely appreciate the time and attention they gave to hearing our concerns.

Our Charles County Arts Alliance delegation was joined by members of the St. Mary’s County Arts Council, and we made very strong showing as the “Southern Maryland Delegation.” See the great photo above! Thanks to the following Arts Alliance members and friends for donating a full day to demonstrate their strong support for the arts in Maryland: Robert Rausch, Diane Rausch, Lorina Harris, Kathy Jenkins, Roy Jenkins, Crystal Proctor, Natalie Proctor, Yvonne Medley, Robert Medley, Elisa Cruz and Judy Crawford.

Turn to pages 5-7 to read critical information about the current and future status of the Arts in Maryland.
Arts Alliance is Now Accepting Nominations for 2015 - 2017 Board of Directors

Deadline to Apply is March 15, 2015

Elections will be Held on Saturday, May 2, 2015

Do YOU want to PROMOTE the ARTS? The Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) wants you! If you are a leader and want to help promote the arts in our county, nominate yourself to serve on the CCAA Board of Directors! CCAA is accepting self-nominations for the 3 Officers and 9 Directors of the CCAA for a two-year term of office, starting on July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2017. The 3 Officers are President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer. All CCAA Board positions are volunteer.

All nominations for CCAA Board positions must be CCAA current members (dues paid) as of January 1, 2015. Please submit a typed brief written statement indicating: (1) why you are interested in serving on the CCAA Board, and what specific contribution(s) you wish to make; (2) your qualifications; and (3) which specific CCAA committee you are interested in leading or serving on. Send this written statement (not to exceed one page) to: info@charlescountyarts.org with the subject-line to read: Nomination for CCAA Board of Directors.

Here is what the CCAA Board job entails:

- Commit to the mission, goals, and objectives of the Charles County Arts Alliance.
- Commit to being a leader; CCAA Board positions are leadership positions.
- Commit the personal time required to:
  - Attend monthly Board Meetings (12/year)
  - Attend Board Retreats (2/year for full-day meeting), and participate in CCAA-sponsored cultural and membership events throughout the year.
- Serve on a "hands-on" Board; it is not an advisory group.
- Serve in a volunteer capacity; Board positions are not compensated.

Chair or serve on one CCAA standing committee:

- ArtsFest
- Budget, Finance and Audit
- Events
- Gallery
- Grant
- Membership
- Outreach and Marketing
- Scholarship

The CCAA Nominating Committee will accept all self-nominations via email through the deadline of Sunday, March 15, 2015. All nominations will be reviewed by the CCAA Nominating Committee. The final recommended slate of Officers and Directors will be forwarded to the CCAA membership by April 2, 2015, and will be presented for election at the CCAA Annual Membership meeting on May 2, 2015. Please note that nominations will not be accepted from the floor at this meeting. Thanks for your consideration!
MARYLAND arts DAY  
february 10, 2015

impact of maryland state arts council funding

Number of full-time equivalent jobs generated by arts organizations:

12,000

Number of attendees at arts events every year in Maryland:

7.6 million

Amount arts audiences in Maryland spent:

$369 million

State and local tax revenues generated from arts events annually:

$45 million

Direct spending into the economy from arts organizations:

$605 million

Total annual economic impact of arts in Maryland:

$1 billion

Amount generated in economic activity for every $1 in arts operating budgets:

$3.21

Return to Marylanders and the State from a very small investment in the Arts Council budget:

PRICELESS

Economic Impact Numbers as compiled by the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development for the Maryland State Arts Council, based on FY 2013 data.
www.mdac.org
Maryland Citizens for the Arts, 3600 Clipper Mill Rd, #215, Baltimore, MD 21211
www.mdarts.org
THE GOVERNOR’S P-20 LEADERSHIP COUNCIL
TASK FORCE ON ARTS EDUCATION IN MARYLAND SCHOOLS

Co-Chairs: Mary Ann Mears and Dr. Jack Smith

OVERVIEW

The Governor’s P-20 Leadership Council convened the Task Force on Arts Education in Maryland Schools in September 2013. Over the course of a year, the task force met to discuss potential recommendations on policy and regulation, curriculum and instruction, resource allocation, and professional development. The final report was unanimously approved by the P-20 Leadership Council in September 2014.

The task force report includes:
- An Executive Summary of the need and the work of the task force
- A set of ten recommendations, including rationale statements
- Strategies indicating actions for accomplishing the recommendations with an accompanying timeline identifying responsible entities and schedule
- Research on the impact of the arts on student achievement, including a bibliography of pertinent research
- Analysis of public input on arts education gathered from online, essay responses, and statewide regional forums
- Program data from schools and school system central offices

RECOMMENDATIONS

A: Revise the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) to provide specific direction to local school systems in the consistent implementation of comprehensive fine arts programs in dance, music, theatre, and visual arts for all children at all grade levels.

B: Establish a comprehensive, statewide data system that collects elementary, middle, and high school data on fine arts instruction.

C: Establish a minimum per pupil funding allocation required for and dedicated to comprehensive fine arts programs in dance, music, theatre, and the visual arts for all schools and for startup funding for new programs in those disciplines.

D: Revise the Maryland State Standards for Fine Arts Education.

E: Develop and/or align school system curriculum documents with the revised State Standards in Fine Arts.

F: Provide central office leadership and support at the curriculum and instruction level so the fine arts have Maryland certified staff assigned supervisory responsibilities.
G: Staff all fine arts classes with Maryland fine arts teachers who have the depth of knowledge and skills necessary to teach the courses to which they have been assigned.

H: Ensure that instructional time in all arts disciplines is not replaced or removed to facilitate additional time in another subject area.

I: Provide learning opportunities and resources for fine arts teachers to continue the development of skills needed to deliver a comprehensive fine arts program, for non-arts teachers to integrate the arts into their disciplines, and for leaders in school systems and in higher education to enhance their knowledge of effective arts education.

J: Strengthen the quality of fine arts teacher preparation programs.

*The final report of the task force can be found on the AEMS website, www.aems-edu.org, under Key Issues.*

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**Arts Education In Maryland Schools (AEMS) Alliance**

**Vision**

All Maryland public school students have equitable access to arts education so that they can learn and achieve in and through dance, media arts, music, theatre, and visual arts.

**Mission**

Increase student access to course in all art forms through purposeful actions.

- Promote and advocate for state, local, and national policies that strengthen arts education

- Communicate research and effective instructional practices in the arts with stakeholders in education, government, business, and the arts

- Support and celebrate outstanding leaders in arts education

- Provide learning opportunities for teachers of all art forms, teachers who integrate the arts into their disciplines, and teaching artists

- Provide technical assistance in the areas of curriculum development, instruction, school structures, and organizational outreach to stakeholders.

*AEEMS staffed the task force and published the final report. The final report will be a powerful platform for AEMS to continue to advocate for and gain increased access to the arts for Maryland students.*

For more information about AEMS, please visit: www.aems-edu.org.
Performing Arts

College of Southern Maryland
Ward Virts Concert Series
Holly Roadfeldt, Piano,
Sunday, March 1, 3:00 pm
Prince Frederick Campus,
Building B, Room 104, 115 J.W. Williams Road
Free Admission; Donations Accepted

Holly Roadfeldt holds degrees in piano performance from the Eastman School of Music, Indiana University, and the University of Colorado in Boulder. As a soloist, she made her orchestral debut with the Toledo Symphony Orchestra at the age of 13 and continues to be an active solo pianist and chamber musician performing standard and eclectic recital programs in the United States, Europe, and Asia. For more information, go to http://www.csmd.edu/Arts/WardVirts/index.html.

College of Southern Maryland
Children's Theatre
The Emperor’s New Clothes
Friday, March 6, 7:00 pm
Saturday, March 7, 2:00 and 7:00 pm
La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre
8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata
Tickets: $7 Adults/Seniors, $5 Youth (High School and Below)

The kingdom of Glump has been taxed to abstraction ever since their emperor became a pampered clothes horse with a lack of taste! The emperor and his family are so busy mismatching their wardrobe, the rest of the kingdom is in a shambles. Enter two con artists who devise an ingenious plan for fleecing the emperor. Based on the tale by Hans Christian Andersen. For more information and to order tickets, contact the CSM Box Office at bxoffc@csmd.edu or to www.csmd.edu/Arts.

College of Southern Maryland
All Out
Thursday, March 5, 2:30 pm
Prince Frederick Campus, 115 J.W. Williams Road
Friday, March 6, 8:00 pm
Leonardtown Campus, 22950 Hollywood Road
Thursday, March 12, 7:30 pm
La Plata Fine Arts Center, 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata
Friday-Saturday, March 13-14, 8:00 pm
La Plata Campus, Business and Industry Building (BI), Room 103, 8730 Mitchell Road
Tickets: $5 All Ages, Production may not be suitable for younger audiences.

The stage is set for a television game show, but it’s to be a game that goes to the essence of morality today. To what extremes will the contestants go to win a prize of $100,000? The show begins as a typical, enthusiastic, laugh-it-up contest. Then, peeling away layer by layer the exteriors of the various contestants, the sometimes debasing price of success begins to be revealed. For more information and to order tickets, contact the CSM Box Office at bxoffc@csmd.edu. call 301-934-7828, or go to http://www.csmd.edu/Arts/CauseTheatre.html.

La Plata High School
International Championship High School A Cappella Mid-Atlantic Finals
Saturday, March 7, 7:00 pm
6035 Radio Station Road, La Plata
Tickets: $15 Adults, $10 Students

La Plata’s a cappella group, Unplugged, will compete against nine other high schools for the Mid-Atlantic region finalist position. All first-place winners advance to the final event scheduled for April 17, in New York City. For more information, go to http://www.freshtix.com/events/ichsa-mid-atlantic-2015.
Performing Arts

Chesapeake Choral Arts Society
Spring 2015 POPS Concert
Music of World War II
Saturday, March 14, 7:30 pm
Sunday, March 15, 3:30 pm
College of Southern Maryland, La Plata Fine Arts Center, 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata
Tickets: $15 Adults; $12 Seniors, Students and Military with ID

To commemorate the 75th anniversary of WW II, The Music of WW II concert will feature fun and familiar music, including Apple Blossom Time, I’ll Be Seeing You, White Cliffs of Dover, Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy, and Don’t Sit Under the Apple Tree. Also featured are some of the Choral Arts Society's own talented individuals and small groups with special solos, duets and ensemble numbers. Tickets can be purchased at the door (cash/check only), online at www.chesapeakechoral.com, or by calling 301-642-0594.

Grace Christian Academy
Beauty and the Beast
Thursday-Friday, March 12-13, 7:00 pm
Saturday, March 14, 2:00 pm
13000 Zekiah Drive, Waldorf
Tickets: $7 Adults, $5 Children and Seniors

This timeless musical is a delight for all ages. Children are invited to wear their favorite prince or princess costume and get their picture taken with Belle and her friends on any of the nights. For more information, call Melissa Burdin at 301-645-0406, or go to http://www.graceknights.org.

Port Tobacco Players
Oklahoma
March 20 - April 12
Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 pm
Sundays, 3:00 pm
508 Charles Street, La Plata, MD
Tickets: $17 Adults, $14 Youth to 18, Seniors 60+, and Military

(Family Musical) "Oklahoma... where the wind comes sweeping down the plain" was the first collaboration by Rodgers & Hammerstein, and opened on Broadway in 1943. It’s still just as lovable 70 years later. This classic musical, set in the Western Indian territory in the early 1900s, tells the story of the handsome cowboy Curly and the winsome farm girl Laurey. Alas, the road to true love never runs smooth and in this classic, it is a bumpy ride down a country road in a “Surrey with the Fringe on Top”! To order tickets, go to www.ptplayers.org or call the Box Office at 301-932-6819.
Performing and Literary Arts

College of Southern Maryland
Barbershop Extravaganza
Saturday, March 28, 4:00 pm
La Plata Campus, Fine Arts (FA) Building, Theater, 8730 Mitchell Road
Tickets: $5 in Advance; $7 Day of Event

Southern Mix, directed by Paul Douglass, will be joined by professional ensembles for an afternoon of barbershop harmony. For more information, visit http://csmd.edu/Arts/somix/index.html. To reserve tickets, contact the Box Office at bxoffc@csmd.edu, or call 301-934-7828.

Ballet Arts Academy
The Oscar Talent Show
Saturday, March 28, 7:00 pm
3074 Crain Highway, Waldorf
Tickets: $20 Adults, $10 Children under 18

Tickets can be purchased at the Academy or online at www.balletartsacademy.org. For more information, call 301-932-4002, or email Dance@BalletArtsAcademy.org.

Read Across America Month
Take the 30/30 READING CHALLENGE
You could win a Kindle Fire!
Open to K-12 students enrolled in a Maryland public school

Beginning March 1, 2015, read at least 30 minutes for 30 days to celebrate Read Across Maryland Month. Read with family, friends or by yourself and post your favorite reading experience. Your submissions make you eligible for a random drawing to win a Kindle Fire.

Go to http://www.readacrossmaryland.org for more details and to download the 2015 Reading Log.

Local Author Charles Long
Winner of Mom's Choice Gold Award
Momma Tree

Charles County author and pastor, Charles Long, recently won a Mom's Choice Gold Award for his children's book, Momma Tree. Momma Tree is a life-affirming story about a young girl and her mother as they learn about nature and life. The book was illustrated by well-known local artist, Christina Allen.

To find out more about the award, visit www.momschoiceawards.com, and search for "Momma Tree." The book can be purchased through Mom's Choice Awards Store, Amazon, or (best of all) through Charles Long directly (www.mommatreebook.com).

For more information, contact Charles Long at longcharlesm@gmail.com.
Literary Arts

College of Southern Maryland
Connections Literary Readings
Retired Lieutenant Colonel Ron Capps and Author/Poet Fred Foote
Friday, March 6, 7:30 pm
La Plata Campus, Center for Business and Industry (BI), Room 103, 8730 Mitchell Road
Tickets: $3 in Advance; $5 at the Event; $3 with CSM Student ID

Award-winning writers and veterans Retired Lieutenant Colonel Ron Capps (left) and Dr. Fred Foote will discuss their time in the U.S. military and how it has influenced their literary writing. For more information, call 301-934-7864, Connections@csmd.edu, or go to www.csmd.edu/connections.

Life Journeys Writers Club, Inc.
Nuts and Bolts Gathering
Saturday, March 21, 2:30 - 4:30 pm
Contact LJWC for Location Details
Free Admission

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 us out, network and critique. Come and learn what we do, how we do it, and learn how you can become a member of the LJWC, Inc.

Write on Saturdays - with a Twist!
March 28, 10:00 am - 7:00 pm
Location Details will be Given after Registration.
Registration: $59.99. Deadline to Register is March 20

Dedicate just one Saturday to electrify your passion - to journey the road to creating polished writing projects worthy of publication. This workshop features refreshments throughout the day, and includes lunch. Expect to write, critique and edit. Accrue invaluable writing, publishing and promotional tips - and precious time to create. Ten writers maximum. The Session features on-site line and content editing from a professional editor.

For more information and to register, call 301-705-8972, email emeddle@aol.com, or go to the website at www.lifejourneyswritersclub.com.

Charles County Public Library Schedule
For March and April

Get a copy of the March/April brochure to see all the programs available at your local libraries. There are computer classes, book discussions, craft programs, preschool story times, games, writing classes, and lots of other activities for every interest and age! For more information, call 301-934-9001, or go to http://www.ccplonline.org.
Waldorf Adult Book Discussion Group meets on the first Saturday of every month, from 9:30 - 10:30 am, at the P.D. Brown Library, 50 Village Street, Waldorf, MD. Anyone interested in joining, please call 301-645-2864.

March 7: The Maltese Falcon by Dashiell Hammett. A treasure worth killing for. Sam Spade, a slightly shopworn private eye with his own solitary code of ethics. A perfumed grafter named Joel Cairo, a fat man name Gutman, and Brigid O’Shaughnessy, a beautiful and treacherous woman whose loyalties shift at the drop of a dime. These are the ingredients of Dashiell Hammett’s coolly glittering gem of detective fiction, a novel that has haunted three generations of readers.

March 5: Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline. Penobscot Indian Molly Ayer is close to "aging out" of the foster care system. A community service position helping an elderly woman clean out her home is the only thing keeping Molly out of juvie and worse. As she helps Vivian sort through her possessions and memories, Molly learns that she and Vivian aren't as different as they seem to be. Rich in detail and epic in scope, Orphan Train is a powerful novel of upheaval and resilience, of unexpected friendship, and of the secrets we carry that keep us from finding out who we are.

La Plata Book Discussion Group meets at 7:00 pm on the second Thursday of every month. To join call 301-934-9001. The Library is located at 2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646.

March 12: The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk. Hetty "Handful" Grimké, an urban slave in early nineteenth century Charleston, yearns for life beyond the suffocating walls that enclose her within the wealthy Grimke household. The Grimke’s daughter, Sarah, has known from an early age she is meant to do something large in the world, but she is hemmed in by the limits imposed on women. This exquisitely written novel is a triumph of storytelling that looks with unswerving eyes at a devastating wound in American history, through women whose struggles for liberation, empowerment, and expression will leave no reader unmoved.
Waldorf West Library’s Chicks for Lit Book Club

New time and location! Saturdays, 10:30 am to 12:00 noon, at the Potomac Branch, 3225 Ruth B. Swann Drive, Indian Head. Log into the Library’s event calendar at http://www.ccplonline.org/news/bookdiscussion.html to pre-register, or call 301-375-7375.

March 14: All Fall Down by Jennifer Weiner. Allison Weiss got her happy ending: a handsome husband, an adorable little girl, a job she loves, and a big house in the suburbs. But when she’s in the pediatrician’s office with her daughter and a magazine flips open to a quiz about addiction, she starts to wonder whether her use of prescription pills is becoming a problem. All Fall Down is the story of a woman’s slide into addiction and the struggle to find her way back up again. With a sparkling comedic touch and tender, true-to-life characterizations, this tale of empowerment and redemption is Jennifer Weiner’s most poignant, timely, and triumphant story yet.

Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm. Call 301-375-7375, more information. The Senior Center is located at 100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head, MD 20640.

March 25: The Husband’s Secret by Liane Moriarty. “My darling Cecilia, if you’re reading this, then I’ve died…” Imagine that your husband wrote you a letter, to be opened after his death. Imagine, too, that the letter contains his deepest, darkest secret, something with the potential to destroy not just the life you built together, but the lives of others as well. Imagine, then, that you stumble across that letter while your husband is still very much alive! Acclaimed author Liane Moriarty has written a gripping, thought-provoking novel about how well it is really possible to know our spouses, and ultimately ourselves.

The Jane Austen Film and Book Club

meets six times a year on the last Thursday of the month from 6:30-7:30pm, at the P.D. Brown Library, 50 Village Street, Waldorf, MD. For more information, call at 301-645-2864.

March 26: Sense and Sensibility by Jane Austen. Sense and Sensibility was Ms. Austen’s first published work when it appeared in 1811 under the pseudonym “A Lady.” A work of romantic fiction, better known as a comedy of manners, the novel is set in southwest England, London and Kent, between 1792 and 1797, and portrays the life and loves of the Dashwood sisters, Elinor and Marianne. The story follows the young ladies to their new home, a meager cottage on a distant relative’s property, where they experience love, romance and heartbreak. The philosophical resolution of the novel is ambiguous: the reader must decide whether sense and sensibility have truly merged.

March 24: The Warmth of Other Suns by Isabel Wilkerson. Pulitzer Prize–winning author Isabel Wilkerson chronicles one of the great untold stories of American history: the decades-long migration of black citizens who fled the South for northern and western cities, in search of a better life. From 1915 to 1970, this exodus of almost six million people changed the face of America. Both a riveting microcosm and a major assessment, The Warmth of Other Suns is a bold, remarkable, and riveting work, a superb account of an “unrecognized immigration” within our own land. Through the breadth of its narrative, the beauty of the writing, the depth of its research, and the fullness of the people and lives portrayed herein, this book is destined to become a classic.
Visual Arts

Mattawoman Creek Art Center Spring Events
5565 Upham Place, Marbury, MD 20658

The Gallery is open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm
For more information about events, workshops and discounts for early registration, call 301-743-5159 or go to www.mattawomanart.org.

Winter Tea - Sunday, March 8
1:00 - 4:00 pm
Enjoy tea and treats while visiting the Gallery and Gift Shop! Free admission, donations accepted.

Focusing on the Hummingbirds in Your Own Backyard
Saturday, March 14, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Fee: $40 members / $50 nonmembers
Instructors: Bill Cassidy & Marilyn Wockley
For amateur photographers interested in learning techniques and secrets for producing quality photos of hummingbirds and enjoying it. It will include: setting up a hummingbird habitat, using creative staging equipment, and learning tricks to make the photography process easier.

Bring your cameras and camera manuals. Tripods are useful but not required.

Three-Dimensional Fiber Art: Basketry
Sundays, March 15, April 19, May 17
10:00 am – 3:30 pm
Tuition: $10 / Fees: $159 (Includes All Materials)
Instructor: Pamela King
Information about basket uses and forms, materials, and methods will be discussed. Three baskets will be completed over the three sessions: Jeremiah basket, a potato basket, and a Cherokee style comb basket. The workshop is hosted by Mattawoman Creek Art Center, but registration is through the College of Southern Maryland. Register at www.csmd.edu/Go/Register.

Mini Intro to Zentangle®
Tuesday, March 24, 11:00 am - noon
Fee: $15 (no early bird special)
$5 Materials Fee Due to the Instructor
Instructor: Jill Smithson
This introductory class is for students wishing to take an advanced Zentangle® class, but have had no prior experience with Zentangle®.

Peek-a-Boo Zentangle®
Tuesday, March 24, 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Fee: $40 members / $50 nonmembers
Materials fee due to instructor: $10 for entire kit or $5 for participants bringing their basic kit of Micron 01, pencil & tortillion.
Instructor: Jill Smithson
Windows of Zen! Create window peek-a-boo cards with colorful pages of Zentangle® patterns adorning and inviting the viewer/recipient to open. Prerequisite: Zentangle® Foundational or Mini Intro.

Pastel Portraits
Monday, March 30, 10:30 am – 2:00 pm
Fee: $40 members / $50 nonmembers
Model Fee Additional
Instructor: Andree Tullier (www.andreetullier.com)
This workshop will cover aspects of using hard and soft pastels to get an accurate likeness of a child. Instructor demonstration will offer a step by step approach. Anatomy, proportion and light and shade will be covered. Bring your own pastel supplies. Prior experience using soft pastels is a plus.
Thanks CAA Members for Your Support!

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Master Calendar FY 2015

2014

- Sat, Jul 12, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
  "Meet the Artists" Public Reception
  Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery

- Thu, Jul 17, 7:30 – 9:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting
  Old Waldorf School, Waldorf

- Sat, Aug 3, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
  CCAA Board Summer Retreat
  Solomons Landing, Solomons

- Thu, Aug 28, 7:30 – 9:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting
  United Way House, La Plata

- Sat-Sun, Aug 30-31
  Celebrate Charles! March from Benedict: War of 1812
  Serenity Farm, Benedict, MD

- Wed - Sun, Sep 10 - 14
  Charles County Fair
  Charles County Fairgrounds, La Plata

- Tue, Sep 16, 7:00 pm
  Mandatory CAD Grant Workshop
  Unite Way House, La Plata

- Sat, Oct 4, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
  "Meet the Artists" Public Reception
  Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery

- Thu, Oct 9, 7:30 - 9:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting
  United Way House, La Plata

- Sat, Oct 25, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
  CCAA Grant Committee Meeting
  United Way House, La Plata

- Thu, Oct 30, 7:30 – 9:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting
  United Way House, La Plata

- Sat, Nov 15, 7:00 – 10:00 pm
  CCAA Annual Grantee and Membership Gala
  Old Waldorf School

- Wed, Nov 19, 7:30 – 8:30 am
  La Plata Rotary Club Presentation
  The Greene Turtle, La Plata

- Fri, Dec 5, 4:00 – 8:00 pm
  "A Holiday Arts Faire" – Kris Kringle Christmas Market
  Charles County Fairgrounds, La Plata

- Sat, Dec 13, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
  Holiday Fashion Show and ShopFest
  Chico’s of Waldorf

- Thu, Dec 18, 7:30 – 9:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting
  United Way House, La Plata

2015

- Sat, Jan 10, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
  "Meet the Artists" Public Reception
  Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery

- Wed, Jan 28, 7:45 – 8:45 am
  Kiwanis Club of Waldorf Presentation
  Comfort Suites, Waldorf

- Sat, Jan 31, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
  CCAA Board Mid-Year Retreat
  Solomons Landing, Solomons

- Tue, Feb 10, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm
  Maryland Arts Day
  Annapolis

- Thu, Feb 12, 7:30 – 9:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting
  United Way House, La Plata

- Wed, Mar 11, 6:00 – 7:00 pm
  Kiwanis Club of La Plata Presentation
  The Greene Turtle, La Plata

- Thu, Mar 12, 7:30 – 9:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting
  United Way House, La Plata

- Wed, Mar 18, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
  CCAA Hosts County Arts Agencies of Maryland Meeting
  Waldorf West Library - Main Gallery

- Sat, Apr 4, 10:30 am
  CCAA Scholarship Committee Meeting
  Jenkins' Home

- Thu, Apr 9, 7:30 – 9:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting
  United Way House, La Plata

- Sat, Apr 25, 12:00 Noon – 4:00 pm
  Celebrate La Plata Day
  La Plata Town Hall, La Plata

- Sat, May 2, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
  CCAA Annual Membership Meeting
  Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery

- Sat, May 2, 3:00 – 4:30 pm
  "Meet the Artists" Public Reception
  Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery

- Thu, May 14, 7:30 – 9:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting
  United Way House, La Plata

- Wed, Jun 10, 6:00 – 9:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting
  La Plata Town Hall

- Sat, Jun 13, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm, (Rain Date: Sun, Jun 14)
  ArtsFest 2015
  La Plata Town Hall

Note: Dates and times may be subject to change.
March is a tomboy with tousled hair, a mischievous smile, mud on her shoes and a laugh in her voice.

~ Hal Borland

March 2015

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