Grant Season is Here!
Applications Now Available!

Applications for FY2016 grants are now available! Over the past 28 years, the CCAA has awarded over $600,000 in grant funding to schools and organizations in Charles County for projects in the performing, visual, and literary arts. This has helped enhance our county’s culture and inspire its residents to explore the diverse arts community present in its own backyard. There are two types of grants: Arts in Education (AIE) for schools, and Community Arts Development (CAD) for nonprofit organizations. Some examples are arts services, children's events, dance, folk arts and heritage, literature, media, and music. Schools may request up to $750, while nonprofit organizations may be eligible to receive up to $6,000 in grant monies.

Organizations seeking funding can obtain applications online at www.charlescountyarts.org/program/grants or by contacting the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900.

A mandatory workshop for organizations seeking a CAD General Operating or Special Project Grant will be held on Wednesday, September 9, from 7:00 - 9:00 pm, at the United Way House, 10250 La Plata Road, La Plata. Contact the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900, or info@charlescountyarts.org to sign up for this class.

Attention All Organizations and Businesses
Charles County Fair is September 17 - 20
Help Us Fill the CCAA Arts Bags!

The Charles County Arts Alliance has been a proud partner with the Charles County Fair Board for many years. We help supervise the P.D. Brown Fine Arts Building, and staff a CCAA booth to promote the arts in our county and membership in our organization.

Each year we assemble arts bags filled with interesting flyers, pens, brochures, business cards, press releases, event announcements and other promotional materials to hand out to Charles County Fair-goers. We want to advertise the broad diversity of the arts we offer here in Charles County: music, visual art, drama, dance and literature.

This year, again, we plan to stuff 500 arts bags. We need your stuff, so we can stuff these bags. The bags are 12” wide and 15” tall. Please deliver 500 of your promo items to our CCAA Office by 12:00 noon on Friday, August 21. The office is located at 10250 La Plata Road, near the corner of Rts. 488 and 6, in the United Way House, La Plata, MD. Thank you!
Dear Members and Friends,

Please welcome our new Members to the CCAA Board! The Directors were elected at the May 3, 2015, Annual Business meeting and will serve from July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2017. Emily Ferren and Cryz Proctor were sworn in at the CCAA Summer Retreat, held at Swan Point Yacht and Country Club on July 11.

Emily Ferren, Director

Emily recently retired as a public library director in Charles County. The Waldorf West art gallery opened in November 2012 as a mutual project of CCAA and CCPL. Now in its tenth year, the local author’s reception to celebrate local writers continues under the Life Journeys Writers Club and the Citizens 4 Charles County Public Library.

Her ongoing interest in being involved in her community is a good match as a CCAA Board member. Emily’s degrees are in education, special education and library science. Her first job next to a deaf school was her motivation to learn sign language. Emily recently served on the Governor’s task force to provide services for the deaf in Maryland. A bill to establish a Deaf Culture Digital Library was signed by the Governor on May 15, 2014. The work is ongoing. Emily is married to Bert Ferren. They are pet owners (one dog and one cat). Emily is also Lieutenant Governor for Division 3 covering Kiwanis clubs in Southern Maryland and Montgomery County. She is also a member of Grace Lutheran and serve on the Stephen Ministry team.

Vicki Marckel, Director

Vicki’s artistic career began on the farmlands of Defiance, Ohio painting the local people and places. She continued her artistic training at Defiance College. In 2005, Vicki was awarded her Bachelor of Science in Visual Arts. As an honors student, she studied art and architecture in Italy and the Netherlands.

Vick has enjoyed teaching art classes at Lackey High School in Indian Head, Maryland for over 10 years. She strives to create innovative lessons and pair them with field trips to galleries and museums in Washington, DC and New York City. As sponsor of the National Art Honors Society, Vicki workw with students to further develop their understanding and appreciation for art while making the school’s environment more visually stimulating. Her career as an educator has shown her the tangible value and lasting effects of being an instructor and painter, and has helped to frame her understanding of the learning process and her ability to communicate the fundamental principles of the creation process.

In order to broaden my abilities and hone her technique, Vicki earned a Masters of Fine Arts from the Academy of Art University in 2012. During her studies in the masters program, she learned the value of studying under artists of varying styles and media. She actively began supplementing her collegiate studies with the artist workshop series sponsored by Jarrett Thor Fine Arts. Her involvement with those workshops opened up her exposure to the local arts community and several gallery openings, including several solo exhibitions as well as group and salon shows. Her artwork is in several private and public collections in the MD, DC, and VA area.

Vicki is currently teaching painting workshops at galleries, in addition to being a lead teacher at Huntington Learning Center in Waldorf, MD. More information about upcoming events and exhibition can be found on her website at vmarckel.com.
Crystal (Cryz) Proctor, Director

I was born to a 5th generation clan mother and Two-Spirit of the Cedarville Band, Wild Turkey Clan, of the Piscataway Conoy Nation. The Piscataway Conoy people have inhabited Maryland for over 10,000 years. I learned the traditions of the Piscataway Conoy culture.

Art is my way of release and expression. Healing also comes from music production, spending hours with Mother Earth, and artistic creation. My work has been featured in many exhibits within the DC area. I am a board member of the Cedarville Band of Piscataway Indians, Inc., producer for the traveling education program Living the American Indian Experience, a facilitator for health and wellness programs for Piscataway people, Chief Content Officer with the American Indian Cultural Center, and now a board member with the Charles County Arts Alliance. I was recently awarded a Master Artist's Apprenticeship Grant by the Maryland State Arts Council. I am the subject of an in-production documentary: A Safe Place, documenting my life and role as an indigenous artist and Two-Spirit.

All of my expressions are created on the iPhone and iPad. This process includes photography and a wide variety of app work. This method is something I use to challenge my artistic abilities. My work is a colorful explosion of power and royalty; it strives to show the diversity and beauty in the multitude of Nations.

Congratulations to Emily, Vicki and Cryz, our newest Directors, and thanks and much appreciation to the returning Board: Gale Kladitis (Vice President), Diane Rausch (Past President), Ronald Brown, Bill Adams, Lorina Harris, Kathleen Jenkins, Amelia Jones and Cecelia Keller. Ronald Brown will also serve as Interim Treasurer.

I look forward to working with this extraordinary group of volunteers over the next two years!

Robert
Robert K. Rausch
President, Charles County Arts Alliance
Arts Alliance Honors 37 Artists

Summer Show Runs Through September 25

On Saturday, July 18, thirty-seven artists were recognized for the participation in the summer art show, now being held at the Waldorf West Library through September 25. Light refreshments were served and music was provided by Kathryn Keough from the Southern Maryland Harp Circle.

The theme was open to the artists and includes works from: Free Akins, Theresa Alo, Cindi Barnhart, Shannon Bland, Tara Blanton, Suzanne Cassidy, William Cassidy, Patricia Childs, Brooke Douglas, Cecelia Dunay, Gale Euchner, Donald Faust, Roxana Gonzales, Patrise Henkel, Shanese Hirmas, Mary Ann Jenkins, Gordon R. Johnson, Addison Likins, Rachel Mann, Vicki Marckel, Ivette Marcucci, Julie Meisel, Constance Moore, Jamie Oliver, Nancy Owens, Marie Collette Parham, Spencer Russell, Shon Simpson, Ernie Sinnes, Beverly Taylor, Pat Troiani, Diane Tuckman, Nailah Turner, Faith Tydings, Shannon Wang, Joseph Wimberly and Amy Julianne Young.

The 54 works of art are on display throughout the first floor main gallery and upstairs in the fiction section and two study rooms. The Alliance does not charge for the artists to display their work and does not take a commission when the artists sell their art.
Arts Alliance Opens Two New Solo Artist Shows
Exhibits Run through October 2015

Lorina Harris
University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center

Hailing from Queens New York, Lorina Harris has had the pleasure of being raised seeing art in the great museums of New York City. She began her study as a child, taking place in and winning contests, which inspired her to pursue art as a profession. She started and completed her foundation year at the University of Hartford Art School, but feeling too young, took a 10 year stint to gain some life experience. This led her to Europe where she ended up studying and graduating from the Amsterdam School of the Arts with a degree in fine arts and teaching art and art history at the highest level in the Netherlands.

Living in Europe for over 13 years has afforded her the proximity to a multitude of inspirational styles from the masters, to the cutting edge of art of all kinds. Her favorite media momentarily, are paints and charcoal. Returning to the States a decade ago, Lorina now owns and operates a small art studio in Bryans Road, MD, where she works, teaches, holds parties and an art club (www.art-smart-studio.com).

Lorina’s art is available for purchase. She can be reached at 240-258-7758, or lorinaharrisart@gmail.com.

The Charles Regional Medical Center Gallery is located at 5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD. Gallery hours are 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, daily.

Nancy Owens
Charles County Government Commissioners Gallery

Nancy was born in La Plata, MD, and graduated from La Plata High School. After retiring in 1990 from the Naval base in Indian Head, she felt the need to do something artistic. She took classes in and did quilting and machine embroidery designs for ten years. After accomplishing everything she wanted to do in sewing, she decided to learn how to paint. Nancy started taking classes with various local groups and national organizations in oils, acrylics, watercolor and pen and ink.

One of her favorite experiences in painting was having her Christmas ornament selected to be on the 2004 White House Christmas tree. The following year, Nancy painted an ornament for the Library of Congress Christmas tree. It was a book representing the state of Maryland. Nancy also painted her interpretation of Romaine Brooks “La Baronne Emile D’Erlanger” ca. 1924, hanging in The Renwick Gallery for The Gallery’s Holiday Tree.

Nancy's art is available for purchase. She can be reached at nancypaints@comcast.net.

The Commissioners Gallery is located at 200 Baltimore Street, La Plata, MD. Gallery hours are weekdays, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

All the works can be viewed online at www.charlescountyarts.org; click on the specific gallery.
ARTS ALLIANCE "CALL FOR SOLO ARTISTS"

Eight Artists Needed for Four Quarterly Shows in 2016

Deadline to Submit is October 16, 2015

The Charles County Arts Alliance hosts art exhibits in the Charles County Government Building’s Commissioners’ Gallery, and the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center, both in La Plata, MD. Submissions will be accepted for each location by October 16, for the four quarterly shows in 2016.

Local artists are invited to submit 15 artworks on any subject to the Charles County Arts Alliance for consideration (there is no submission fee). Artwork entries must be submitted electronically as low-resolution digital images (jpegs) attached to an email sent to waldorwestgallery@gmail.com, and reference 2016 Solo Artist Show in the subject line of your email.

Entries must include:

- Artist’s name
- Artist’s Address
- Artist’s Phone Number
- Artist’s biography (half-page max, in MS-Word)
- Artist’s headshot (jpeg)
- Title of artwork
- Medium/materials used
- Size/dimensions
- Year created
- Price, if applicable

Artists who have previously shown in the gallery are invited to submit new work for consideration.

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. For more information on the Arts Alliance, contact the CCAA office at 301-392-5900, info@charlescountyarts.org, or www.charlescountyarts.org.
Performing Arts

Port Tobacco Players Teen Camp Youth
Disney's The Little Mermaid JR.
Saturday, August 1, 11:00 am
508 Charles Street, La Plata
Tickets: $8 Adults, $5 Youth to 18

Chesapeake Choral Arts Society with Jennifer Cooper and Krystal McCoy
Return of the Naked Voice: Vocal Technique Workshop
Saturday, August 8, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
Grace Lutheran Church Sanctuary
1200 Charles Street, La Plata
Fees: $20 for CCAS Members and General Admission (prior to August 5); $25 for Nonmembers at the Door
Join the Chesapeake Choral Arts Society, Jennifer Cooper and Krystal McCoy for a full day Vocal Workshop. Session 1: The Mechanics of Singing (9:30 - 11:30 am) led by Jennifer, focuses on breathing and vocal technique, understanding the anatomy and mechanism, and highlights specific exercises for healthy improvement of dynamics, clarity, range, and more. Session 2: Becoming One with the Choir - Blending and Endings (12:30 - 2:30 pm), led by Krystal McCoy, focuses on fundamentals of choral singing. To pre-register, call Ann Chess, 301-259-4615, or Carol Charnock, 301-642-0594. For more information, go to www.chesapeakechoral.com.

Port Tobacco Players Teen Camp Youth
Honk!
Saturday, August 8, 11:00 am
508 Charles Street, La Plata
Tickets: $8 Adults, $5 Youth to 18

The Port Tobacco Players Teen Camp youth present the funny and touching musical Honk! This is a story of Ugly, whose odd, gawky looks instantly incite prejudice from his family and neighbors. Separated from the farm and pursued by a hungry Cat, Ugly must find his way home with only his loving mother Ida searching for him. Along his rollicking and harrowing journey, he not only discovers his true beauty and glorious destiny, but also finds love and acceptance in all its forms. For more information and to order tickets, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819, or visit www.ptplayers.com.

Friends of Chapman State Park Summer Music Fest
Southern Mix Barbershop Chorus
Sunday, August 9, 2:00 - 5:00 pm
On the lawn of Mount Aventine
3452 Ferry Place, Indian Head
Free Admission, Donations Accepted
Bring a picnic and a blanket and enjoy an afternoon of music by Southern Maryland’s original, famous barbershop group, a favorite of all. For more information, call 301-753-6664, or visit www.friendsofchapmansp.org.
Performing Arts

St. Mary's City and Newtowne Players
Shakespeare in the City: *Twelfth Night*
Friday - Saturday, August 14 - 15, 7:30 pm
Thursday - Friday - Saturday, August 20 - 21 - 22; 7:30 pm
St. Mary's City
State House Greens
47414 Old State House Road
St. Mary's City, MD 20686
Tickets: $15 Adults; $12 Seniors, Military, Students; $10 Children 6-11; $10 Thursday Performance

Grab a blanket and picnic and spend an evening under the stars on the State House greens enjoying one of Shakespeare's beloved comedies.

The play centers on twins Viola and Sebastian, who are separated in a shipwreck. Viola (disguised as a man) falls in love with Duke Orsino, who is in love with the Countess Olivia. Unfortunately for Orsino, Countess Olivia falls in love with Viola thinking she is a man. Add in a singing fool, a big practical joke, characters with names like Aguecheek and Belch, and you know you are in for an evening of fun and frivolity. For more information, call 240-895-4990, or visit http://www.newtowneplayers.org/joomla or http://www.hsmcdigshistory.org.

College of Southern Maryland
Auditions for Ages 10 and Up
Monday - Tuesday, August 17 - 18, 6:00 pm
La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre
8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Open Auditions for these productions:
- *Alexander, Who's Not Not Not Not Not Not Going to Move* (Children's Theatre)
- *The Bright Blue Mailbox Suicide Note* (Cause Theatre)
- *Oliver!* (Main Stage Musical)

Performances will take place between October 9 and November 21, 2015. Please see Events Calendar at http://calendar.csmd.edu/main.php?calendarid=FineArts for specific show dates. Prepare a one-minute monologue and 16-bars of a song. Bring the sheet music for the accompanist. NO "A CAPELLA" will be accepted! Dress to move. For more information, go to http://www.csmd.edu/Arts/auditions.html or call Keith Hight at 301-934-7827.
Performing Arts

Town of La Plata
Kids' Summer Shows
La Plata Town Hall West Lawn
305 Queen Anne Street, La Plata
Free and Open to the Public
Bring Lawn Chairs or Blankets for Sitting

Tuesday, August 18, 10:00 am
Reggie Rice - Super Magic Man

This three-time DC Comedy Magician of the Year shows his goofy, lovable personality, and brings a unique, high-energy experience to the Stand-up Comedy stage. Reggie Rice blends magic, music, dancing and comedy as he takes performing to new level of entertainment. Truly a one of a kind entertainer, this young charismatic Comedy Illusionist brings a fresh look and upbeat tempo to the world of magic and comedy! Don’t miss the fun and magic! For more information, go to http://www.reggiericeshow.com.

Port Tobacco Players
Auditions
A Christmas Carol
Saturday, August 15, 10:00 am
Monday, August 17, 7:00 pm
Wednesday, August 19, 7:00pm
508 E. Charles Street, La Plata, MD

Parts for adults and children of all ages. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script and a demonstration of basic “Christmas caroling” skills. Performance dates are November 27-December 20. For more information, contact the producer at blhowells@gmail.com.

Tuesday, August 25, 10:00 am
Rocknoceros

Coach, Williebob, and Boogie Bennie had been making music together since high school, but in 2005, the inspiration for Rocknoceros crystallized. Since then, Rocknoceros has entertained tens of thousands of fans throughout the country and gained significant national recognition with performances at Lollapalooza, Austin City Limits, Wolf Trap, and The Kennedy Center. For more information, go to http://rocknoceros.com. For more information about the Town of La Plata shows, visit http://www.townoflaplata.org, and click on Events then Kids Summer Shows.

Hard Bargain Players
Concerts in the Woods
Lynn Hollyfield Band
Saturday, August 22, 8:00 pm
2001 Bryan Point Road, Accokeek, MD
Admission: $12, $10 Members of the Alice Ferguson Foundation and Students, $5 Children under 12
Refreshments Available

Acoustic guitar player and singer-songwriter Lynn Hollyfield teams with Dave Abe and Jimmy Brink for an evening of indie-folk-pop music to delight all ages. For more information, contact Doris Sharp at 301-292-5665, or visit http://www.fergusonfoundation.org/concerts.shtml
Waldorf Adult Book Discussion Group meets on the first Saturday of every month (note date changed for July), 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.

Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion Group meets at 1:00 pm on the first Thursday of every month. Call 301-934-9001 for more information. The Center is located at 1210 Charles Street, La Plata, MD 20646.

August 1: *Death Comes to Pemberley* by P.D. In their six years of marriage, Elizabeth and Darcy have forged a peaceful, happy life for their family at Pemberley, Darcy’s impressive estate. But on the eve of the annual autumn ball, chaos descends. Lydia Wickham, Elizabeth’s disgraced sister who, with her husband, has been barred from the estate, arrives in an hysterical state, shrieking that Wickham has been murdered. Plunged into frightening mystery and a lurid murder trial, the lives of Pemberley’s owners and servants alike may never be the same.

August 6: *Sycamore Row* by John Grisham. Three years after his victory in the Carl Lee Hailey case, Jake Brigance believes his glory days as a trial lawyer are gone. Jake’s commitment to his profession is revived when he is called on to defend Seth Hubbard’s seemingly incredible decision to disinherit his family and name his black housekeeper as his beneficiary. Why? In Sycamore Row, Jake searches for an answer as he returns to the courtroom arena in a legal battle against larger, well-financed law firms. As Jake pursues justice at all costs, the prejudices, racial tensions, and southern social structures of 1950s Mississippi are once again explored under John Grisham’s pen.

Waldorf Senior Center Afternoon Book Club meets on the first Wednesday of every month from 1:00 - 2:00 pm, at the Waldorf Senior Center, 3092 Crain Highway, Waldorf. For more information, call 301-638-4420.

August 5: *The Namesake* by Jhumpa Lahiri. The Ganguli family struggles to transform from their tradition-bound life in Calcutta into becoming Americans. When their son is born, the task of naming him betrays the vexed results of bringing old ways to the new world. Named for a Russian writer by his Indian parents in memory of a catastrophe years before, Gogol Ganguli knows only that he suffers the burden of his heritage as well as his odd, antic name. Lahiri brings great empathy to Gogol as he stumbles along the first-generation path, strewn with conflicting loyalties, comic detours, and wrenching love affairs. With penetrating insight, she reveals not only the defining power of the names and expectations bestowed upon us by our parents, but also the means by which we slowly, sometimes painfully, come to define ourselves.

Book to Film Discussion Series
Meets on Saturday for the summer, from 2:00 - 5:00 pm, at the Potomac Branch Library, 3225 Ruth B. Swann Drive, Indian Head. For more information, call 301-375-7375.

August 8: *Les Misérables* by Victor Hugo. Sensational, dramatic, packed with rich excitement and filled with the sweep and violence of human passions, Les Misérables is not only a superb adventure but a powerful social document. The story of how the convict Jean-Valjean struggled to escape his past and reaffirm his humanity, in a world brutalized by poverty and ignorance, became the gospel of the poor and the oppressed.
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.

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.

August 13: *Let’s Explore Diabetes with Owls* by David Sedaris. With sardonic wit and incisive social critiques, David Sedaris has become one of America’s pre-eminent humor writers. Each essay turns into a love story: how it feels to be in a relationship where one loves and is loved over many years, what it means to be part of a family, and how it’s possible, through all of life’s absurdities, to grow to love oneself.

August 26: *Year of Wonders* by Geraldine Brooks. When an infected bolt of cloth carries plague from London to an isolated village, a housemaid named Anna Frith emerges as an unlikely heroine and healer. Through Anna’s eyes we follow the story of the fateful year of 1666, as she and her fellow villagers confront the spread of disease and superstition. Inspired by the true story of Eyam, a village in the rugged hill country of England, Year of Wonders is a richly detailed evocation of a singular moment in history. Written with stunning emotional intelligence, Brooks blends love and learning, loss and renewal into a spellbinding and unforgettable read.

Charles County Public Library
Tenth Annual Authors’ Reception
Saturday, August 8, 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Waldorf West Library
10405 O’Donnell Place, Waldorf

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Waldorf West Library // Saturday, August 8, 2015 // 1-3 p.m.
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Wanda Ross, Surviving the Quiet Storm
Mildred M. Stokes, Forging the Beautiful Acres: A Mayo Embrace Novel
Deborah Williams, Do You See Me?

Literary lights shine on local authors at Waldorf West Library! It’s the perfect marriage between booklovers and authors. Every year the event grows and cultivates the Literary Arts. The event is hosted by the Charles County Public Library, and co-sponsored by the Citizens for the Charles County Public Library (C4CCPL) and the Life Journeys Writers Club (LJWC).

Both are nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations, and partners of the Charles County Public Library. For more information, contact Yvonne Medley at emeddle@aol.com or 301-705-8972.
Visual Arts

Mattawoman Creek Art Center
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,

MCAC Workshop
Cone Puppets for Your Child or the Child in You
Wednesday, Aug 5 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Fee: $40 members / $50 nonmembers
Instructor: Pat Spradlin

Learn this European style of puppet making that hides the puppet on a stick inside a cone. We will use acrylic paints to design the cones, puppet faces and clothes and a variety of other materials to decorate and embellish each puppet to make it your own creation. Instructor will provide supplies at a small materials fee. Children 8 years or older accompanied by an adult welcome. Class size is limited to 12.

MCAC Sunday Movie & Ice Cream Sundae
The Girl with the Pearl Earring
Sunday, August 9, 2:00 pm
Join us for a free movie & a special treat!

Delft, Holland, 1665. Seventeen-year-old Griet must work to support her family and becomes a maid in the house of Johannes Vermeer, where she gradually attracts the master painter’s attention. Vermeer gives her lessons in mixing paints and other tasks, but must keep their relationship secret from his jealous wife. It is based on Tracy Chevalier's book of the same name, a fictionalized account of how the famous painting was created and where the pearl came from. PG-13, 100 minutes.

MCAC Multimedia Open Show
August 14 – September 13
Reception: Sunday,
August 16, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Southern Maryland Decorative Painters
Learn to Paint
Saturday, August 22
Two Sessions: 11:00 am - 12:00 noon and 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Charlotte Hall Branch Library
37600 New Market Road, Charlotte Hall, MD
Free!

During a choice of two sessions, participants will paint a small clay pot, using simple decorative painting techniques. Door prizes will be awarded during each session, and all participants will take home their finished projects. To register, email learntopaint@outlook.com. State the name, age, phone number, email and preferred session time of each person who wants to attend. No children under age 9 please. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged in order to secure a seat. Each session will be limited to 18 participants. To see this year's project and information, visit http://smdpaint.org and click on the Learn to Paint tab.
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Mary Ann Wilmoth
Donna Wilson

Youth
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Leslie Thompson
Quinn Waltman

Honorary Member
Nancy Owens
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
- 20% off regular prices on certain items at Hot Licks Guitar Shop in Waldorf
- 10% off custom framing at Bernie's Frame Shop in La Plata
- $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) __________

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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Master Calendar FY 2016

2015

☑ Sat, Jul 11, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
  Summer Retreat
  Swan Point Yacht & Country Club

☑ Sat, Jul 18, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
  "Meet the Artist" Reception
  Waldorf West Library - Main Gallery

☑ Sat, Aug 1
  FY 2016 Grant Applications Available Online

☐ Sat, Aug 29, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
  CCAA Board Meeting and Social
  Solomons Landing, Solomons

☐ Wed - Sun, Sep 16 – 20
  Charles County Fair
  Charles County Fairgrounds, La Plata

☐ Wed, Sep 9, 7:00 pm
  Mandatory CAD Grant Workshop
  Unite Way House, La Plata

The complete FY 2016 schedule will be confirmed and published after the CCAA Board of Directors meet on August 29.

Note: Dates and times may be subject to change.
August 2015

“You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream...”
- C. S. Lewis