



The Arts Insider

CHARLES COUNTY ARTS ALLIANCE PRESENTS

November 2017

"DIAMONDS AND PEARLS"

30TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

on November 18, 2017, at Old Waldorf School

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"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."

~ September 17, 1987

The Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) is proudly presenting its **"Diamonds and Pearls" 30th Anniversary Gala** on Saturday evening, November 18, 2017, from 6:00-10:00 pm, at the Old Waldorf School, 3074 Crain Highway, in Waldorf. The public is invited to join CCAA members and friends in celebrating 30 years of successfully promoting ALL the arts in Charles County: music, visual art, drama, dance and literature.

The "Diamonds and Pearls" Gala will include a silent auction fundraiser for the CCAA Arts Scholarship Fund, reception and dinner catered by Rucci's of White Plains, desserts by Gerard of Oxon Hill, music and dancing to the Gretchen Ritchie Jazz Cabaret of Leonardtown, awards of nearly \$46,000 in grants to schools and non-profit organizations, and lots of bubbly!

Tickets are advance-sales only through November 15, and are available from the CCAA Office in La Plata and the CCAA website via PayPal (charlescountyarts.org). Ticket prices are \$50 per person (thru November 15). For more info, please call the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900.

The CCAA was founded in 1987 as a grass-roots, all-volunteer nonprofit organization by a group of concerned citizens. Its mission has remained steadfast over the past three decades: "to stimulate, promote, encourage, and provide recognition of the arts and the creative spirit in Charles County." It is designated as the official arts council of Charles County by the Charles County Government and Maryland State Arts Council. In this role, it serves as the "arts umbrella" organization for the entire Charles County arts community - arts organizations, arts educators, individual artists, and the arts-loving public.

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Over the past 30 years, the Charles County Arts Alliance has achieved many major accomplishments:

- Promoted Charles County arts events, organizations and individual artists
- Devoted thousands of volunteer hours to achieve its mission
- Been awarded over \$1,000,000 in federal, state and county grants to support its mission
- Awarded over \$750,000 in Arts Grants to support local nonprofits and schools
- Awarded annual Arts Scholarships at each county high school (currently \$1000 each)
- Produced and presented ArtsFest, the largest annual arts festival in Charles County and one of the largest in Southern Maryland
- Managed the Fine Arts Building of the Charles County Fair
- Presented regional artist workshops and master classes
- Managed free public galleries for visual artists to display artworks (currently 5 galleries)
- Sponsored its first statewide juried art show
- Presented numerous cultural events for county citizens and students
- Advocated for increased funding for the arts at the local, state and national level
- Partnered with many nonprofit, government and educational organizations in arts productions
- Provided access to the arts for Charles County's underserved population
- Ensured that the arts were included in the *Charles County Comprehensive Plan*
- Published *Arts Vision 2020: A Strategic Plan for the Arts in Charles County*

The Charles County Arts Alliance wishes to express its sincere gratitude to the citizens of Charles County and the Charles County Government for its steadfast support and encouragement of our nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization over the past 30 years. We couldn't have done it without you! We are all united in our single purpose: to enhance the overall quality of life for the citizens of Charles County through the performing, visual and literary arts. Working together in a spirit of cooperation and partnership, we will achieve an exciting, vibrant, diverse and successful arts-filled future for the next 30 years and beyond!

Hope to see you at our "Diamonds and Pearls" 30th Anniversary Gala on November 18!!!



Photos from the 2016 CCAA Gala



You're Invited!

Charles County Arts Alliance
"Diamonds and Pearls"
30th Anniversary Gala

Saturday, November 18, 2017
6:00 - 10:00 pm

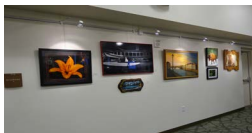
Old Waldorf School
3074 Crain Highway
Waldorf, MD

Join us & our local arts community for a very special night celebrating our 30th Anniversary of promoting ALL the arts in Charles County! Enjoy our silent auction, fabulous dinner by Rucci's, desserts by Gerard, dancing to the Gretchen Richie Jazz Cabaret & lots of bubbly! Best of all, we will present over \$40,000 in grants to local nonprofits & schools!

 Charles County Arts Alliance

Advanced Tickets Only - By Nov. 15
\$40 by Oct. 31 / \$50 by Nov. 15 301.392.5900
Available from CCAA Office & Website info@CharlesCountyArts.org

New Multi-Artist Show Opens at Waldorf West Library Exhibit runs until February 3, 2018



CCAA presents the artists for the Fall-Winter Show at Waldorf West Library

CCAA President Gale Kladitis addresses the artists and guests

The Arts Alliance, in partnership with the Charles County Public Library, opened its 20th art exhibit at the Waldorf West Library. The show's theme was open to the artists and features 63 works by 34 artists: Beverly Adams, Theresa Alo, Sar'där Aziz, Cynthia Ruth Bailey, Allan Canter, Suzanne Cassidy, William Cassidy, Syanne Centeno, Tracy Cole, Dorothy Crown, Andy Dixon, Cecelia Dunay, Gina Durgin, Michael English, William Gibson, Penelope Gold, Sally Goldsmith, Patty Gyorda, Gordon Johnson, Nichelle Alston Jones, Lori Joseph, Philip Lang, Addison Likins, Susannah Lynch, Nadira Nunez, John Odom, Nancy Owens, Wayne Russell, Dianne Shisler, Ernest Sinnes, Joanne Van Brunt, Larry Velozo, Jim Waters and Ron Webb. Most of the art is available for purchase; the Library has the contact information.

On Saturday, October 28, the Arts Alliance held a "Meet the Artists" reception at the Library, to honor all the artists in the current show. For each gallery showing, the Alliance holds a reception, inviting all the artists, their friends and family, members of the CCAA and the general public to meet the artists and view the entire gallery. The Alliance does not charge the artists to display their art and does not take any commission when the art is sold. The only requirement is that participating artists must be a current member of the Arts Alliance.

The gallery can be viewed online at <https://charlescountyarts.org/galleries/waldorf-west-library-gallery-2>. The Waldorf West Library is located at 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD. Gallery hours are Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 8:00 pm; Friday, 1:00 - 5:00 pm; and Saturday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm.



Janet Salazar, Executive Director for the Charles County Public Library, and Ashley Teagle, Branch Manager for the Waldorf West Library



Back Row: Suzanne Cassidy and Bill Cassidy with some of their photography students from the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home



Solo Show Opens at the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center



20 Works By Addison Likins on Display through January 2018

Addison Likins is a James Madison University graduate who studied photography and film making at the University of Virginia. He has worked as a journalist, English and Journalism teacher, Exhibit and technical designer, and government analyst. He currently exhibits in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia. He was selected the past two years for juried shows at the Maryland Federation of Art galleries in the Lowe House of Delegates; The Annapolis Circle Gallery and the Annapolis Marine Museum; juried shows at the Hill Center Art Gallery, Washington, DC; the Anne Marie Sculpture Gardens and Art Center, in Solomons, MD; the Underground Gallery of Arlington, VA; the Lynchburg Academy Center of the Arts in Lynchburg, VA; the Fredericksburg Virginia Center for the Creative Arts; the Mattawoman Creek Art Center, Marbury, MD; The Waldorf West Library, Waldorf, MD; the Charlotte Veterans Home, Charlotte Hall, MD; and the Community Bank of the Chesapeake in Waldorf and La Plata, MD. He regularly shows sculpture in Mattawoman Creek Art Center, The Annapolis Circle Gallery and the Underground Gallery.

His most recent photographic publications were in the Mensa Bulletin Magazine with center spreads in the March 2017 and 2015 and August 2015 editions and was featured on the cover of the July, 2017 edition; the Maryland Department of Natural Resources 2016 Calendar and magazine, and the Community Bank of the Chesapeake Calendar for 2017. He has published both writing and photographs in various publications over the years. He was featured as an artist in an article in the *Maryland Independent*, September 4, 2017 issue.

"I am always amazed by how we appear oblivious to or distracted from the full extent of the beautiful and astounding aspects of the universe right before our eyes as we go about our hectic lives. My passion is creating or capturing and sharing these missed opportunities through my art... and reliving the thrill of that captivating moment each time the work is viewed. For the most part, the same concept applies to my sculptures, which is a trade I honed over a decade as a Science Center Specialist at the Owens Science Center. I do favor more abstract creations in my sculptures, harboring a penchant for exploring pareidolia, with the caveat that I intentionally create forms that foster this phenomenon."

~ Addison Likins

Addison's art is available for purchase; he can be reached at addison.likins@gmail.com. The Gallery is located at 5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646. Gallery hours are daily, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. The Gallery can also be viewed at <http://charlescountyarts.org/galleries/charles-regional-medical-center>.





Arts Education in Maryland Schools Alliance

Advocacy Success! Fine Arts COMAR has been Adopted!

On October 24, 2017 the Maryland State Board of Education unanimously voted to adopt proposed amendments to the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) Title 13A State Board of Education Subtitle 04 Chapter 16 Programs in Fine Arts. The revisions are aligned to the following recommendations in The Governor's P-20 Leadership Council Arts Education in Maryland Schools Members of the State Board of Education Final Report (2014):

Recommendation 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.

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

Included in the regulation are revised Maryland Fine Arts Standards which now align with the National Core Arts Standards that focus on the artistic processes of creating, presenting, responding and connecting.

Notable changes in the regulation are:

1. The inclusion of prekindergarten in fine arts instruction.
2. The delineation of experiences in all art forms for students in prekindergarten - grade 5.
3. The ability for students in grades 6-8 to specialize in one or more art form.
4. The addition of Media Arts as the 5th art form as defined by the National Core Arts Standards.
5. The inclusion and formalization of the Fine Arts Education Advisory Panel to advise MSDE's Superintendent on issues and best practices relevant to fine arts education.

This is the culmination of the collaboration of over one hundred arts education stakeholders from across the state with representation from all 24 school districts. Representatives from local school systems, arts organizations, higher education, arts administrators, arts educators and professional artists representing each of the fine arts disciplines: dance, media arts, music, theatre and visual art contributed to this outstanding work. All are to be commended for their constant commitment to ensure that 100 percent of Maryland's students will participate in fine arts programs as part of a world class education that addresses the whole child.

The next phase of the process is the publication COMAR 13A.04.16 Programs in Fine Arts in the Maryland Register on November 13, 2017. It will become effective on November 23, 2017.



Thanks CCAA Members for Your Support!

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Bert & Emily Ferren
Renée Fuqua
Roy & Kathy Jenkins
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Andy & Jessica Dixon
Gale Kladitis
Port Tobacco Players
Joseph Wimberly

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Community Bank of the
Chesapeake
Golden Renaissance Jewellers
Joson Fine Jewelry & Home
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Sar'dar Aziz
Karl-Peter Bernard
Patricia Biles
Amy Blessinger
Justin Bowie
Kim Bowie-Hendricks
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Non-Profit Organization

Charles County Fair, Inc.
Charles County Public Library
Chesapeake Choral Arts Society

Friends of Chapman State Park
Indian Head Center for the Arts
Life Journeys Writers Guild
Mattawoman Creek Art Center
Music Teachers Association
of Charles County Inc
Sagepoint Senior Living Services
Southern Maryland Carousel
Group
Southern Maryland Decorative
Painters
Town of Indian Head
Town of La Plata

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Addison Newton Likins
Beverlie Ludy
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Jim McDonald
Jennifer J. McGraw
Henry McPherson
William Meck
Connie Miller
Constance E. Moore
John P. Mowrey
Bob Navarra
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Mary Jo O'Neil
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Ernest Sinnes
Roger E. Smith
Jill Smithson
Doris Terry
Paul Toscano
Joanne Van Brunt
Carolyn A. Vaughn
Lawrence Vellozo
Jim Waters
Ron Webb
Donna Wilson
Warren Wilson
David Zippi

Youth

Benjamin Butler
Jaden Hendricks
John Javier
Joshua Owen
Kavante Reeves
Michelle Young

CCAA Membership Form



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
- 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) _____

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!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ArtsFest Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Budget/Finance/Audit Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach/Marketing Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Events Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative/Office Work |
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info@charlescountyarts.org

Master Calendar FY 2018

2017

2018

- ☒ Monday, July 10, 7:30 – 9:30 p,
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Monday, July 17, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
"Meet the Artist" Public Reception
Charles County Commissioners Gallery
- ☒ Saturday, July 22, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
"Meet the Artists" Public Reception
Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery
- ☒ Monday, August 7, 7:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Saturday, September 9, 9:00 – 3:00 pm
CCAA Summer Retreat
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Wednesday, September 13, 7:00 – 8:00 pm
Mandatory CAD Grant Training
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Wednesday - Sunday, September 14 – 17
Charles County Fair
Charles County Fairgrounds, La Plata
- ☒ Friday, September 22, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Nonprofit Community Network Fair
College of Southern Maryland, BI Room 113E
- ☒ Monday, October 2, 7:30 – 9:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Wednesday, October 11, 7:00 – 8:00 pm
Mandatory AIE Grant Training
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Saturday, October 28, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
"Meet the Artists" Public Reception
Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery
- ☐ Saturday, November 4, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
CCAA Grant Committee Meeting
Waldorf West Library
- ☐ Monday, November 6, 7:30 – 9:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☐ Saturday, November 18, 6:00 – 10:00 pm
CCAA Annual Grantee and Membership Gala
Old Waldorf School
- ☐ Monday, December 4, 7:30 – 9:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata

- ☐ Monday, January 8, 7:30 – 9:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☐ Saturday, January 27, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm
CCAA Winter Retreat
Solomons, MD
- ☐ Monday, February 5, 7:30 – 9:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☐ Thursday, February 22, 9:30 am – 2:00 pm
Maryland Arts Day
St. John's College, Annapolis
- ☐ Saturday, February 24, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
"Meet the Artists" Public Reception
Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery
- ☐ Monday, March 5, 7:30 – 9:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☐ Monday, April 9, 7:30 – 9:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
Waldorf West Library
- ☐ Saturday, April 28, Noon – 4:00 pm
Celebrate La Plata!
La Plata Town Hall
- ☐ Saturday, May 12, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
CCAA Annual Membership Meeting
Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery
- ☐ Thursday, June 7, 7:00 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
La Plata Town Hall
- ☐ Saturday, June 9, 11: am - 5:00 pm
ArtsFest 2018
La Plata Town Hall

Note: Dates and times may be subject to change.

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It is not happy people who are thankful,
it is thankful people who are happy.



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