YOU ARE INVITED!
Annual Membership Meeting and Reception
Saturday, May 12, 2018
2:00 to 4:00 pm
Waldorf West Library

CCAA members are invited to attend the Annual Membership and Reception on Saturday, May 12, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, at Waldorf West Library, 10405 O’Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD 20603.

During the meeting, the recipients of the $1,000 CCAA and PNC Scholarships will be presented. Selected this year are: Taylor Deggs, Westlake; Jahlen Grant-King, North Point; Nick Kootsikas, La Plata; Chloe Lateulere, Henry E. Lackey; Joshua Nwadeyi, St. Charles; Kavante Reeves-Barham, Henry E. Lackey; Sarah Steele, North Point; and Bryette Washington, St. Charles. You will have a chance to meet these outstanding students and hear about their plans for pursuing their studies in the Arts.

There will be plenty of refreshments, time to mingle with other CCAA members, and tour the current art show displaying 52 works of art by 27 artists. The gallery is located on two levels: the main floor and upstairs in the Fiction area.

Not a member yet? No problem. Send in a membership form, or join via the CCAA website at www.charlescountyarts.org, and become part of the arts community!

Thank you for your support!
Dear Members and Friends of the Arts Alliance,

By now, you should have received your beautiful invitation to the Annual CCAA Membership Reception and Meeting, to be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018, at the Waldorf West Library from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

During the meeting, we will introduce the 8 recipients of the 2018 Charles County Arts Alliance Student Scholarships, with each student giving a brief presentation of his or her artistic talents. If you attended last year’s Membership Meeting, and witnessed the talent which is Charles County, then you will be most pleased with this year’s selections as well.

In April, the CCAA Gallery Committee hung new art shows at the Commissioners Building, the Medical Center, and the Community Bank of the Chesapeake, and will hang a new show at the Historic Port Tobacco Courthouse at the end of May (watch the Arts Newsflash for more information on this exhibit).

Next big event is our 26th annual ArtsFest, to be held on the grounds of the La Plata Town Hall on June 9, from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. Admission is free and there are exhibits and activities for all ages. If you love to sing, pick up a mic during Karaoke time from 2:30 to 4:30 pm, and take that opportunity to share your talent! Also, be sure to stop by and say a few words at the CCAA booth in front of the Town Hall. We love to meet our members who help make all our events possible!

As always, thank you for your continued support and I hope to see you soon.

Gale S. Kladitis
President
Make Plans to Attend ArtsFest 2018
Saturday, June 9, 2018
11:00 am to 5:00 pm
La Plata Town Hall
305 Queen Anne Street, La Plata, MD 20646
Admission is FREE!

Lots of Arts vendors, face painting for children, Kids Arts Tent, continuous entertainment on both sides of the Town Hall, food for purchase and, new this year, Karaoke! So, begin your warm weather activities by gathering up the family and spending the day at ArtsFest!
Solo Show Opens at the Charles County Commissioners Building
Norma Baretincic: Featured Artist Through July 6, 2018

Norma has been a Charles County resident for over 50 years and began her art experience in the late 70’s as a professional potter, selling at local festivals and teaching at Prince Georges Community College. She was also a member of the Port Tobacco Art Guild and participated in many of their events and workshops.

After a 20-year hiatus to raise her daughter and work full-time as a home physical therapist, Norma retired and began her second career as a beginning watercolorist. Taking classes and joining Mattawoman Creek Art Center to enter into shows improved her skills.

Norma won first place at a sponsored Senior Community art show and became a member of the Charles County Arts Alliance. She has also won many ribbons for her art at the Charles County Fair over the years. Learning new skills and developing on the old skills is a lifelong goal.

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

Norma’s art is for sale; she can be reached at normabaretincic@gmail.com.

There are 18 works of art on display; stop by and enjoy the exhibit!
The Charles County Arts Alliance, in partnership with the Community Bank of the Chesapeake, Waldorf Branch, opened a new multi-artist show, displaying 41 works of art by 21 artists.

The theme was "artists choice" and includes works by: Beverly Adams, Theresa Alo, Sar‘där Aziz, Ruth Bailey, Angelique Berry, Nicole Brown, Jacquelyn Bryant, Suzanne Cassidy, William Cassidy, Dorothy Crown, Cecelia Dunay, Gina Durgin, Penelope Gold, Rene Jefferson-Copeland, Gordon Johnson, Addison Likins, Susannah Lynch, Joshua Owen, Philip Parry, Ernest Sinnes and David Zippi.

The Gallery is located at 3035 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf, MD 20601; Gallery Hours are Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Most of the works are available for purchase; the Bank has the price list and contact information. The Gallery can be viewed online at https://charlescountyarts.org/galleries/community-bank-of-the-chesapeake-gallery.
Mattawoman Creek Art Center Traveling Show
Now at the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center

Exhibit Runs Through July 6, 2018

After debuting at the Charles County Commissioners Building, the art show moved to the Medical Center. New pieces have been added and all the art is available for purchase.

This is the 19th exhibit at the Medical Center sponsored by the Arts Alliance. The theme is "Express Charles County in Art" with photos and paintings depicting various scenes around the County.

The Gallery is located at 5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646, Gallery hours are daily, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.
CCAA Around the Town and in the News
Arts Alliance Helps Celebrate La Plata!

Saturday, April 28, was a gorgeous day, and a perfect time to Celebrate La Plata! CCAA President Gale Kladitis, Treasurer Ron Brown and Director Cindy Johnson manned the Arts Alliance tent, handing out information on ArtsFest, signing up new NewsFlash recipients, and getting the word out about the opportunities to enjoy or share artistic talents in Charles County! Thank you, Town of La Plata, for letting us be part of the Celebration!

CCAA Interviewed for Comcast Newsmakers

On May 2, CCAA President Gale Kladitis (pictured on the right below) was interviewed at the College of Southern Maryland by two-time Emmy award-winning reporter and Comcast Newsmaker Host Yolanda Vazquez. Gale focused on the free gallery space the Arts Alliance offers to local artists, the grants and scholarships that are awarded each year, and the upcoming 26th Annual ArtsFest. When available, the video link will be posted on the CCAA website.
Dear Maryland Arts Advocates,

With the close of the Maryland General Assembly’s legislative session, Maryland Citizens for the Arts (MCA) is excited to share some great news. At $22.7 million, the state’s final approved budget represents a record funding level for the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC). The voices of Maryland arts advocates were clearly heard this year in Annapolis!

With your strong support and relentless advocacy, MCA was grateful that Governor Hogan’s initial budget proposal included record funding for the arts. MCA was also able to work with leaders in the Maryland General Assembly to restore an additional $1 million in funding proposed to be reduced from legally-mandated levels, as well as remove budget language that could have resulted in $13 million in reductions to arts funding over the next three years. None of this could have been achieved without the more than 500 arts advocates that showed up in Annapolis for Maryland Arts Day and the compelling testimonials our members provided during budget hearings and meetings with legislators.

This year’s increase is one of the largest in recent history, and shows the tremendous backing that Maryland’s arts sector received from both the governor and the General Assembly. Our elected leaders have shown, once again, that support for the arts is a bipartisan issue that benefits all Marylanders.

Whether you are an artist, administrator, advocate, or supporter, MCA is grateful for all of your efforts on behalf of Maryland’s $1 billion arts sector. THANK YOU!

Onward!

Nicholas Cohen
Executive Director
Thanks CCAA Members for Your Support!

**Platinum Circle**
- Charlotte & Abbott Martin
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- Walmart

**Gold Circle**
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- Debora Almassy
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- Richard & Margery Coppola
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**Arts Activist**
- Debra Almassy
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- Nancy Hannans
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- John & Lucy Snell

**Family**
- Angélique Berry
- Suzanne & William Cassidy
- Richard & Margery Coppola
- Gina and George Durgin
- William F. Eckman
- Lorina Harris

**Non-Profit Organization**
- African American Heritage Society of Charles County
- Chesapeake Choral Arts Society
- Friends of Chapman State Park

**Individual**
- Beverly Adams
- Frederick L. Allen
- Dr. Theresa Alo
- Sarah Aziz
- Shannon Bass
- Karl-Peter Bernard
- Amy Blessinger
- Kim Bowie-Hendricks
- Nicole Brown
- Jackie Bryant
- Rebecca Caudill
- Syanne Centeno
- Kathy Cooke
- Monic Coppedge
- Danelle Danzy
- Sonia De Phillip
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- Michael Douglas
- Florence Foster
- Roxana Gonzales
- Kenneth Graves
- Mark T. Hayes
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- Barbara Hufford
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- Cecelia Keller
- Vicki L. Marchek
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- Nadira Nunez
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- Jennifer Pinto
- Cynthia Snyder
- Suzannah Sulek
- Dwayne Alistair Thomas
- Karin R. Thomas

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- Carol Auletta
- C. Ruth Bailey
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- Cindi Barnhart
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- Sally Marie Goldsmith
- Joyce Williams Graves
- Patti Gyorda
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- Charles F. M. Hughes
- Renée Jefferson-Copeland
- Mary Ann Jenkins
- Gordon Ray Johnson

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- William Jones
- Maryann Karimi
- Mary Ellen Karwasinski
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- Nancy Knudson
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- Addison Newton Likins
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- Paul Toscano
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- Joanne Van Brunt
- Lawrence Velozo
- Jim Waters
- Ron Webb
- Donna Wilson
- Warren Wilson
- David Zippi

**Youth**
- Jaden Hendricks
- John Javier
- Joshua Owen
- Kavante Reeves
- Michelle Young

May 2018
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) ________

Want to volunteer? We'd love the help!
- □ ArtsFest Committee
- □ Grant Committee
- □ Budget/Finance/Audit Committee
- □ Membership Committee
- □ Scholarship Committee
- □ Outreach/Marketing Committee
- □ Events Committee
- □ Administrative/Office Work
- □ Gallery Committee
- □ Technical/IT Support

Charles County Arts Alliance
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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, MD.

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

All membership dues and donations are 100 percent tax-deductible.
Master Calendar FY 2018

2017

☑ 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

2018

☑ Monday, January 10, 7:30 – 9:30 pm
   CCAA Board Meeting
   United Way House, La Plata

☑ Saturday, February 10, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
   CCAA Winter Retreat
   Solomons, MD

☑ 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
   United Way House, La Plata

☑ 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, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm
   ArtsFest 2018
   La Plata Town Hall

☑ Saturday, June 23, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
   "Meet the Artists" Public Reception
   Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery

Note: Dates and times may be subject to change.
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You can never cross the ocean unless you have the courage to lose sight of the shore.