



The Arts Insider

March 2019

WE NEED YOU!
Nominations Now Being Accepted



Charles County Arts Alliance Board of Directors 2019-2021

In this Issue:

Nominations for CCAA
Board of Directors and
Officers

President's Letter

Student Scholarships
Application Deadline

ArtsFest Registration is Open

Maryland Arts Day Recap

Membership Listing

Membership Form

Master Calendar



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! Founded in 1987, the CCAA promotes all the arts: performing, visual and literary.

What is the CCAA looking for?

The CCAA is now accepting self-nominations for the CCAA Board of Directors for the next two-year term, from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2021. All CCAA Board positions are volunteer.

Do you qualify?

Individuals interested in serving on the CCAA Board of Directors must be current members of the CCAA at the time of self-nomination.

How do I submit my self-nomination?

Please submit a typed brief written statement indicating:

- Why you are interested in serving on the CCAA Board
- What specific contributions you wish to make
- Your background and/or qualifications

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."

What are the requirements for CCAA Board members?

CCAA Board members are expected to:

- 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:
 - Serve on a "hands-on" volunteer Board
 - Serve on at least one CCAA committee
 - Attend monthly Board Meetings
 - Attend semi-annual Board Retreats
 - Participate in CCAA-sponsored events throughout the year

What is the deadline for submission of self-nominations?

All self-nominations must be received by the CCAA by no later than March 25, 2019.

Thank You For Your Consideration!

President's Letter

Happy March Members and Friends of the Arts Alliance.



After attending the annual Maryland Arts Day in Annapolis on February 14, I'm happy to report the Arts are alive and very healthy in the State of Maryland.

Our group met with the Charles County lawmakers and new Senator, Arthur Ellis, to let them know your interest in the art programs for Charles County. They not only listened but agreed with the importance of art in every aspect of your lives.

Our scholarship program is in full swing. Let your friends and neighbors know about the availability for students majoring in the arts after high school graduation. The deadline to apply is Friday, March 8! (See page 3 for more details.)

The next big event will be the election and the annual membership meeting scheduled for Saturday, May 11, at the Waldorf West Library. Your invitation will be in the mail in April, but for now mark the calendar so you will not miss this important meeting.

And, plan now to attend ArtsFest on Saturday, June 8. This is the largest arts festival in Charles County and has something for the whole family to enjoy.

As always, thank you for your continued support of the Charles County Arts Alliance and consider volunteering for some of the fun events we have monthly.

Gale S. Kladitis
President

Charles County Arts Alliance 2019 Scholarship Program is Open!



Deadline to Apply: Noon, March 8, 2019

Each year the Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) offers a \$1,000 scholarship to one outstanding graduating senior from each of the seven public high schools in Charles County who plans to major in the Arts (performing, visual or literary) at a four-year college or university toward a career in the Arts.

Go to <https://charlescountyarts.org/program/scholarships> to download an application or contact the CCAA Office for assistance. Charles County Public School Seniors may also see their College and Career Advisors for a copy of the application.

Complete applications must be submitted via US Postal Mail to the CCAA Office, PO Box 697, White Plains, MD 20695, in sufficient time to be received **(not postmarked)** by noon, March 8, 2019. Applications may also be hand-delivered to the CCAA Office at 10250 La Plata Road, La Plata, MD 20646, between the hours of 9:00 am and 2:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

For more information, contact the CCAA office at 301-392-5900, or email info@charlescountyarts.org or ronbrown990@gmail.com.

ArtsFest 2019 Registration is OPEN!



Call for Artist, Exhibitor and Food Vendors!

Early Bird Registration Ends April 30

The Charles County Arts Alliance is pleased to announce our 27th annual ArtsFest, to be held on Saturday, June 8, 2019, from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm, on the beautiful grounds of the La Plata Town Hall, in La Plata, Maryland. ArtsFest is the largest arts festival in Charles County, and one of the largest in Southern Maryland. This is our eighth year to present the festival in partnership with the Town of La Plata.

ArtsFest is our annual outdoor celebration of all the arts and artists - visual, literary and performing. It is our "free gift" to the citizens of Charles County and Southern Maryland, and there is no charge for the public to attend. It is a family-friendly, wonderful way to kick off the summer season!

Visual and literary artists of all media are invited to display and sell their works. In addition, nonprofit arts organizations are invited as exhibitors to display information and encourage participation in their performing, visual and literary arts activities. Also invited as nonprofit exhibitors are cultural, historical, heritage and environmental organizations. Local commercial organizations are also invited to distribute information on their products and services, and a variety of great food will be available for purchase throughout the day.

Registration forms are available at <https://charlescountyarts.org/program/artsfest>, or by calling the CCAA office at 301-392-5900, or email at info@charlescountyarts.org.

ArtsFest is sponsored in partnership with the Town of La Plata. Funding for this project was provided (in part) by the County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland.



Our Voices Have Been Heard!



The Delegation from Charles, St. Mary's and Calvert Counties. Photo by Judy Crawford



Waiting in line to enter the House Office Building. Photo by Judy Crawford

The Recommended FY2020 Budget is \$1.7 Million More Than Last Year's!

Held in Annapolis on February 14, Maryland Arts Day was a wonderful Valentine for the 560 attendees who joined in the celebration that Maryland now ranks third in the Country for distribution of funds for the Arts! If approved, the Maryland State Arts Council will receive \$24.4 million to support the Arts sector -- the largest amount in recent history.

It was an exciting day, too, for the Southern Maryland Delegation! The CCAA was represented by Gale Kladitis, Cindi Barnhart, Addison Likins, Gina Durgin and Judy Crawford. The opening sessions began in the Francis Scott Key Auditorium at St. John's College, with elected officials and First Lady Yumi Hogan greeting the attendees and the presentation of the Sue Hess Award to Julia Di Bussolo. Keynote speaker Stephanie Ybarra encouraged all to "walk it like you talk it." She emphasized the power of the narrative in social change and reminded all that "art is not neutral."

After the initial presentations, all the attendees gathered by region and proceeded to walk to the House Office Building for visits with their legislators. Armed with special gift bags, the CCAA set off to meet with the Charles County representatives. By special appointment, the CCAA met with Senator Arthur Ellis in his office suite, and viewed first-hand the art provided by Addison Likins. The next visits included a stop by Edith Patterson's office, and a fortunate meeting with Debra Davis outside the building while she was on her way to another meeting.

See the photos on the following pages for more on what's happening in Maryland Arts!



April Nyman, Vice Chair of MCA;
First Lady Yumi Hogan and
Nicholas Cohen, MCA Staff.



Legislative visits to meet some of the lawmakers and deliver their CCAA gift bags . . .



Senator Ellis with Gale Kladitis, surrounded by Addison Likins' art.



Delegate Edith Patterson with Gale Kladitis



Back row: Carol Eberly, The Arts Council of Calvert County; Delegate Debra Davis, Gina Durgin; front: Cindi Barnhart.



Delegate Debra Davis with her assistant and Gale Kladitis.



Delegate Debra Davis greets Addison Likins.



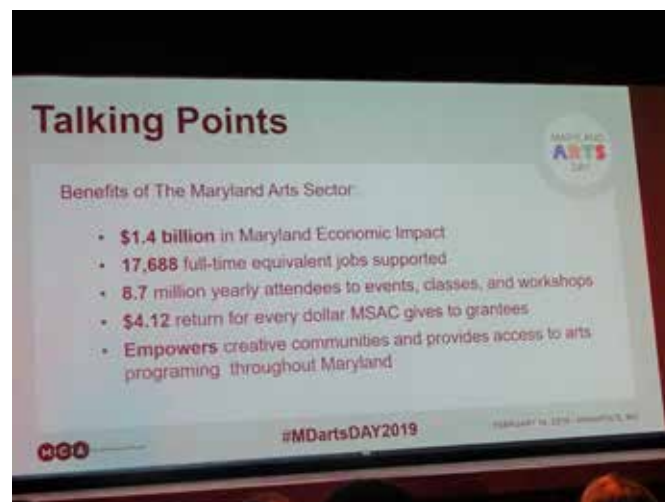
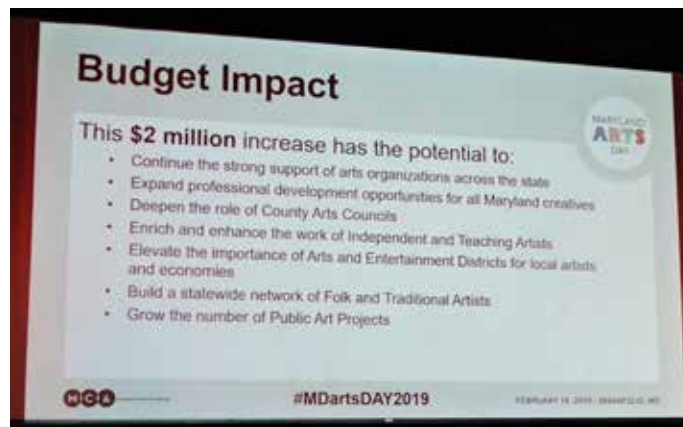
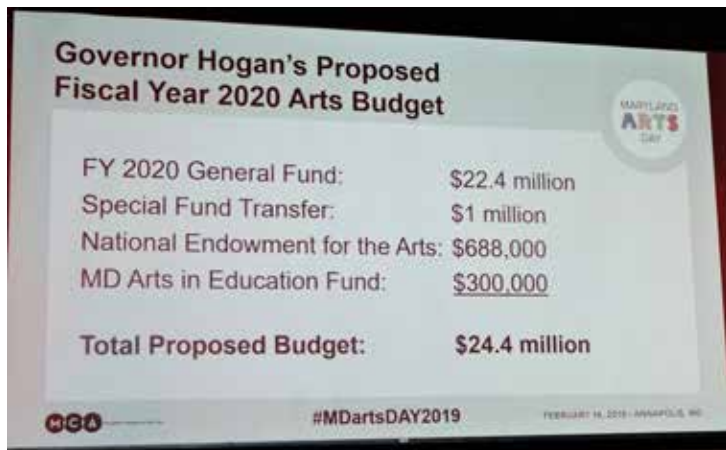
Addison Likins stands with his sculpture of the "First Man to the North Pole: Matthew Henson," on display in the Lowe House Office Building, Anne Arundel County Delegate Meeting Room.



In period dress is a re-enactor from St. Mary's City posing as the "First Governor of Maryland, Leonard Calvert."



Funds from the Maryland State Arts Council keep the Arts alive!



The 2019 Sue Hess Maryland Arts Advocate of the Year and the Keynote Speaker



JULIA DI BUSSOLO
Executive Director, Arts Every Day
2019 Sue Hess Maryland Arts
Advocate of the Year

As executive director of Arts Every Day and as a Baltimore City parent, Julia serves as a

leading voice of arts education advocacy. Arts Every Day strengthens learning by making the arts an integral part of classroom instruction for all students in Baltimore City Public Schools. The organization provides over \$300,000 in support and annual funding for student art experiences, staff development, and program support. As a leader, she seeks out strategic partnerships and organizes several annual events to celebrate and elevate Baltimore City students as artists, musicians and performers. Working in conjunction with the city school district, Julia successfully secured a \$50,000 Collective Impact grant from the National Endowment of the Arts in 2017. Under her leadership, inspiration, and direction the grant funded the launch of the Baltimore Education Arts Initiative; a community/district partnership to develop and implement a strategic plan to ensure every student in Baltimore City receives arts education. With Julia's leadership and guidance over 100 educators, advocates, arts partners, parents, students, district, and city leaders, helped to create a comprehensive Arts Education Strategic Plan and measurable implementation goals. The plan has been incorporated into the district's Blueprint for Success and a five-year implementation plan is underway. Powered by the efforts of district partners, educators, community members, artists, and organizations, the initiative seeks to shift budget and operating policy to ensure all Baltimore City students have access to art, music, dance, theatre, and media arts education every year.

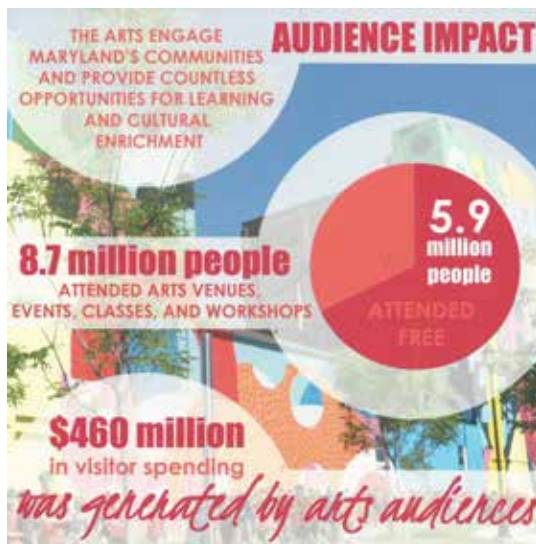


STEPHANIE YBARRA
Artistic Director,
Baltimore Center Stage
Keynote Speaker

Stephanie Ybarra is in her first season as Artistic Director for Baltimore Center Stage and

brings to her new home twenty years of experience at theaters of all sizes across the United States. Most recently, she served as Director of Special Artistic Projects at The Public Theater in New York, where she led the Mobile Unit and Public Forum programs. Additionally, Stephanie is in her fourth year as Producer's Lab Liaison for Women's Project Theater, of which she is an alum; and she just concluded her role as both Curator and Casting Director for Two River Theater's Crossing Borders Festival of Latinx plays. Her career started in her home state of Texas, working with Dallas Theater Center and Dallas Children's Theater. She then spent time as the Deputy Director of Program Operations for Citizen Schools in Boston. Rounding out her East Coast travels, Stephanie served as Interim General Manager of Two River Theater Company and Associate Managing Director of New Play Development for Yale University. Ultimately, Stephanie landed in NYC, where she made her artistic producing debut with the original production of Tarell Alvin McCraney's *The Brothers Size*, for which she received the inaugural Producer's Chair Award from the Foundry Theater. She went on to serve as the first Producing Director for Playwrights Realm and Producing Artistic Director for the Cherry Lane Theater's Mentor Project. Stephanie often guest lectures for artists and producing students at Julliard, NYU, and Yale School of Drama. She co-founded the Artists' Anti-Racism Coalition and in 2012, she was awarded the Josephine Abady Award for producing from New York's League of Professional Theatre Women. In 2016, she received the Congressional Award for Achievement in Excellence from Zara Aina and in 2018 Stephanie received the prestigious Nation Builder Award from the National Black Caucus of State Legislators.

The Arts have a tremendous impact on the quality of our lives . . .



The **Arts** play an important role in the quality of life Maryland offers its residents and visitors. The **Arts** make our communities better places to live, work, and visit and generate significant economic benefit.

Visit MSAC.org to read the full report.

Arts by the Numbers

Impact of Maryland State Arts Council funding by the numbers.



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

17,688

Number of attendees at arts events every year in Maryland:

8.7 million

Amount arts audiences in Maryland spent:

\$460 million

State and local tax revenues generated from arts events annually:

\$59.6 million

Direct spending into the economy from arts organizations:

\$940 million

Total annual economic impact of arts in Maryland:

\$1.4 billion

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

\$4.12

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

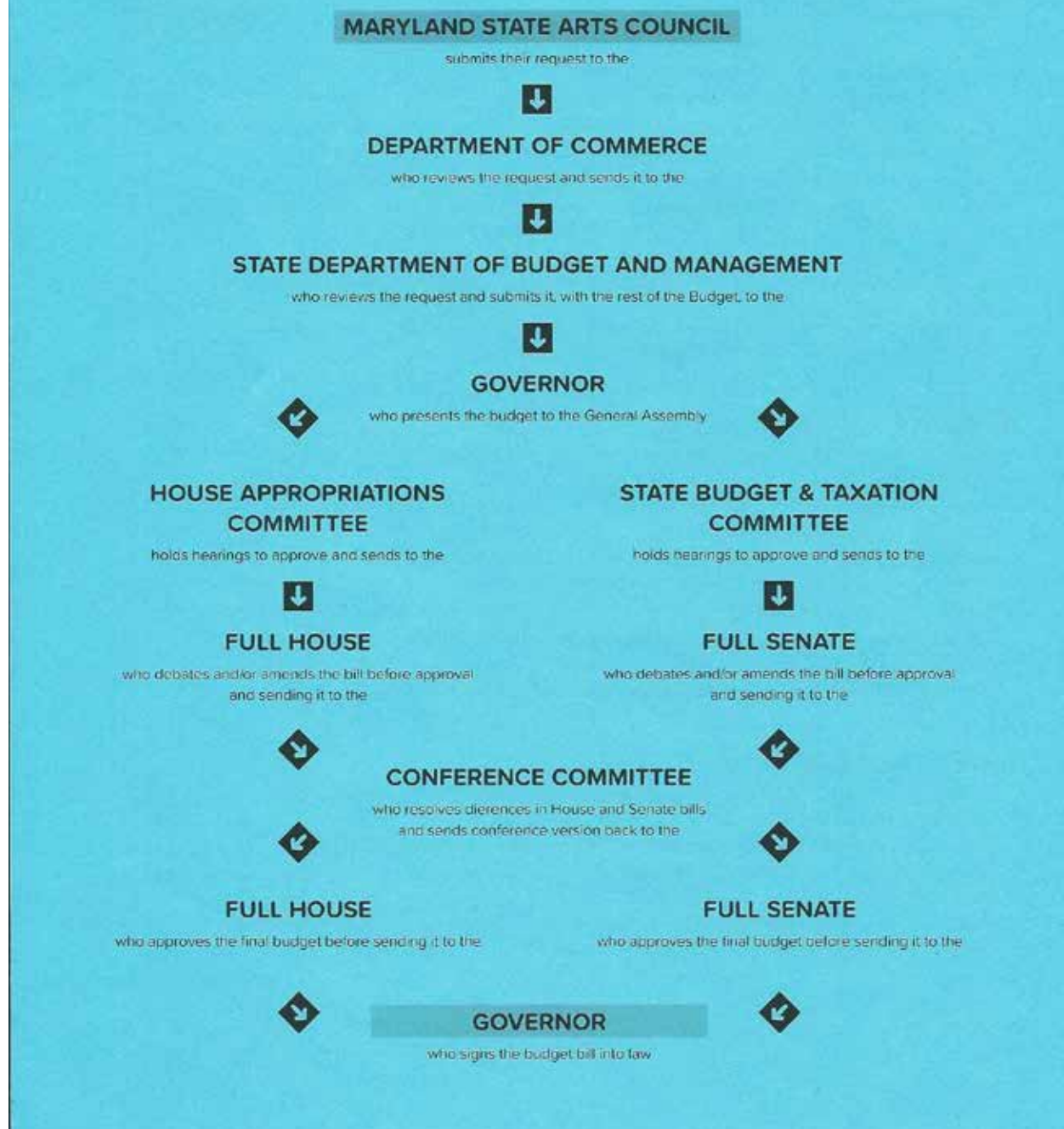
Priceless

Economic Impact Numbers as compiled by the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development, based on FY 2017 data.

Maryland Citizens for the Arts
120 W. North Avenue, Suite 302, Baltimore, MD 21201
410.467.6700 | MDArts.org | info@mdarts.org



How the State Arts Budget Gets Approved





Thanks CCAA Members for Your Support!

Platinum Circle

Charlotte & Abbott Martin
Diane Rausch
Robert K. Rausch

Corporate

Community Bank of the
Chesapeake

Gold Circle

Ron & Marti Brown
Andy & Jessica Dixon
Bert & Emily Ferren
Roy & Kathy Jenkins
David & Nikole Smith

Silver Circle

Michael & Anne Creveling
Gale Kladitis

Business

Golden Renaissance Jewellers
Joson Fine Jewelry & Home
Boutique

Arts Patron

Century 21 New Millennium
Realtors
Edward L. Sanders Insurance
Agency, Inc.

Arts Sponsor

Bill & Susan Adams
Jennifer Cooper, Go-DIVA!
Productions, Inc.
Gina and George Durgin
Brad & Linda Gottfried
Carl Lancaster, Lancaster
Insurance Agency
Keith Linville
Linda & Stephen Mitchell
Peter F. Murphy
William & Dianne Shisler
Lucretia Dewey Tanner
Chris & Kate Zabriskie

Arts Activist

Nora Eicholtz
Nancy Hannans
Cindy & Zeke Johnson
John & Lucy Snell
Joseph Wimberly

Family

Angelique Berry
Lloyd S. Bowling, Sr.
Allan & Brenda Canter
Suzanne & William Cassidy
Richard & Margery Coppola
Stephen Dye
William F. Eckman
Arthur & Rosalind Ellis
Kim Fairbank
Ellen Flowers-Fields

Paul & Christine Hill
Greg Kenney, Jr. & Family
Paul Lagasse
Sue and Chloe Lateulere
Glenn & Ursula Lawrence
David & Susannah Lynch
Lew & Karen McIntyre
Peggy & Norman Palmer
John & Mary Lou Rutherford
Mark & Dawn Walker
Chancy & Sandra Wood

Individual

Beverly Adams
David Adams
Frederick L. Allen
Debora Almassy
Dr. Theresa Alo
Sar'dar Aziz
Shannon Bass
Amy Blessinger
Justin Bowie
Kim Bowie-Hendricks
Nicole Brown
Jackie Bryant
Margherita Clark
Kathy Cooke
Monic Coppedge
Danelle Danzy
Allison Dixon
Janice Elliott
Florence Foster
Roxana Gonzales
Barbara L. Graves
Kenneth Graves
William M. Graves
Lorina Harris
Olga Herrera
Adina Jones
Amelia Jones
Lori Joseph
Fitsum Lakew
Dianne E. Lyon
Vicki L. Marckel
Ivette Marcucci
Lew McIntyre
Julie A. Meisel
Judith Miller
Maryam Muhammad
Nadira Nunez
Leighann Owens
Philip Parry
Jennifer Pinto
Cynthia Snyder
Jacqueline Thomas
Karin R. Thomas
Reginald Ware
Cristy Young

Non-Profit Organization

African American Heritage
Society of Charles County
Charles County Department of
Community Services
Charles County Fair, Inc.

Charles County Public Library
Chesapeake Choral Arts Society
Friends of Chapman State Park
Ivy and Pearls of Southern
Maryland Community Charities
Life Journeys Writers Guild
Mattawoman Creek Art Center
Music Teachers Association
of Charles County, Inc.
Nanjemoy Community Center
Port Tobacco Players
Sagepoint Senior Living Services
Southern Maryland Carousel
Group
Southern Maryland Decorative
Painters
Town of Indian Head
Town of La Plata

Senior

Carol Auletta
C. Ruth Bailey
Norma Baretincic
Elsie Barnes
Cindi Barnhart
Denise Ann Bell
Susie Bender
Karl-Peter Bernard
Burkey & Margaret Boggs
Virginia Bridges
Rose Burroughs
Judy E. Cabos
Dr. Connie Calloway
Carol Y. Charnock
Martha Knight Clements
Carol Corbett
Judy Crawford
Dorothy Crown
Frank M. Culhane
Evelyn Dashiell
Jack Dennis
Cecelia Dunay
Patricia Duncan
Amelia Dunham-Baccus
Gale Y. Euchner
Donald D. Faust
Geary Fisher
Gwendolyn A. Fleming
Penelope H. Gold
Richard Gold
Sally Marie Goldsmith
Joyce Williams Graves
Patricia S. Gyorda
Doris J. Hall
Gary Hammack
Beverly Hardy
Billie Harley
Patricia P. Harrington
Sally Hopp
Barbara Hufford
Charles F.M. Hughes
Renée Jefferson-Copeland
Mary Ann Jenkins
Gordon Ray Johnson
Mary Ellen Karwasinski

Mary Kercher
Nancy Knudsen
Robert Kyle
Martha A. Lane
Philip L. Lang
Addison Newton Likins
Beverlie J. Ludy
Colin Mably
Roy M. Maier
Mary Mangino
Jim McDonald
Henry McPherson
Sandi Middleton
Connie Miller
Constance E. Moore
Margaret S. Neal
Rudolph Nielsen
Kathleen L. Noel
Jan Norton
Mary Jo O'Neil
Nancy Owens
Marie C. Parham
Shirley A. Perez
Gwen Peters
Jerome E. Peuler, Jr.
Sandy Rohde
Wayne Russell
Sharon Sanna
Dorothea H. Smith
Roger E. Smith
Jill Smithson
Mary Sokol
Nancy Swenson
Ruth A. Thomas
Glenn Thompson
Paul Toscano
Diane Tuckman
Victor Turner
Joanne Van Brunt
Bonnie Walden
Ernestine Ware
Carmella Davis Watkins
Donna Wilson
Chriss Winston
Joanne Yates
David Zippi

Youth

David G. Boarman
Nickih Gilchrist
Ja'Leana Graves
Sky Ann Hall
Jaden Hendricks
LaKayla James
Sidney Marie Maynard
Gavriella Morrison
Joshua Owen
Cali Quade
Kaylee Tappen

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
- \$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!

- | | |
|---|---|
| <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 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gallery Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical/IT Support |

Charles County Arts Alliance
P.O. Box 697, White Plains, MD 20695
www.charlescountyarts.org / 301-392-5900
info@charlescountyarts.org

Master Calendar FY 2019

2018

2019

- ☒ Saturday, July 14, 1:00 – 9:30 pm
CCAA Summer Retreat
Solomons, MD
- ☒ Monday, July 16, 6:00 – 7:30 pm
"Artists without Limits" Public Reception
Charles County Commissioners Gallery
- ☒ Tuesday, July 31, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
Photography I Class
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Monday, August 6, 7:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Tuesday, August 14, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
Photography II Class
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Thursday, August 23, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
Photography I Class
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Thursday, August 30, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
Photography II Class
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Monday, September 10, 7:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Thursday - Sunday, September 13 – 16
Charles County Fair
Charles County Fairgrounds, La Plata
- ☒ Monday, October 8, 7:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Saturday, October 27, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
"Meet the Artists" Public Reception
Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery
- ☒ Monday, November 5, 7:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ November 17, 6:00 – 10:00 pm
CCAA Annual Gala
Old Waldorf School, Waldorf
- ☒ Monday, December 10, 7:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata

- ☒ Saturday, January 12, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm
CCAA Winter Retreat
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Monday, February 11, 7:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☒ Thursday, February 14, 8:15 am – 2:00pm
Maryland Arts Day
Annapolis, MD
- ☒ Monday, March 4, 7:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☐ Monday, April 15, 7:30 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata
- ☐ Saturday, April 27, Noon – 4:00 pm
Celebrate La Plata!
La Plata Town Hall
- ☐ Saturday, May 11, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
CCAA Annual Membership Meeting
Waldorf West Library – Main Gallery
- ☐ Wednesday or Thursday, June 5 or 6, 7:00 pm
CCAA Board Meeting
La Plata Town Hall
- ☐ Saturday, June 8, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm
ArtsFest
La Plata Town Hall

Note: Dates and times may be subject to change.

Arts Insider

Board of Directors

Gale S. Kladitis – *President*

Robert K. Rausch – *Vice President*

Ronald G. Brown – *Secretary/Treasurer*

Diane Rausch – *Past President*

Bill Adams – *Director*

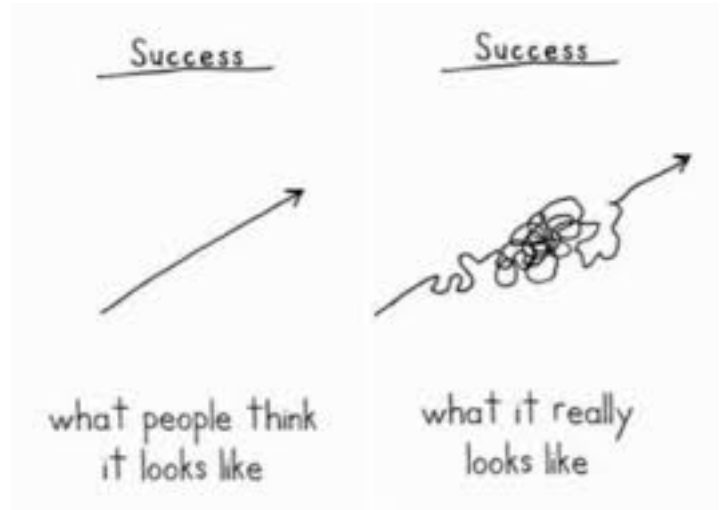
Cindy Johnson – *Director*

Joseph Wimberly – *Director*

Cindi Barnhart – *Honorary Board Member*

Judy Crawford – *Office Manager & Newsletter Editor*

March 2019



www.charlescountyarts.org

info@charlescountyarts.org 301-392-5900

Office Hours: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, Monday - Friday

Street Address: 10250 La Plata Road, La Plata, MD 20646



P.O. Box 697

White Plains, MD 20695

