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Register Now for Maryland Arts Day!

February 11, 2021

9:00 am

Virtual MARYLAND ARTS DAY FEBRUARY 11, 2021

On Thursday, February 11, 2021, we will make our voices heard virtually at Maryland Arts Day! Join the CCAA and hundreds of advocates who fight tirelessly for the arts. This event is one of the most important advocacy days for the Maryland arts sector.

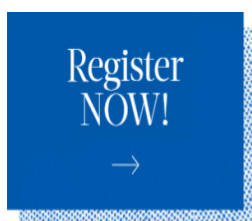
During the event, you will hear remarks from lawmakers passionate

about the arts, the presentation of the annual Sue Hess Arts Advocate of the Year Award, and a keynote speech featuring guest speaker, art-activist and former professional football player, Aaron Maybin. Most importantly, attendees have the opportunity to champion the arts directly with state representatives from southern Maryland in a specially planned Zoom room.

Schedule

- 9:00a Opening Remarks and Greetings from Elected Officials
- 9:30a Sue Hess Legacy Arts Advocate of the Year Award Presentation
- 9:45a Keynote Address – Aaron Maybin
- 10:15a Budget Realities and Legislative Talking Points
- Virtual Delegation Rooms (links provided at the morning event)
- 10:30a County Delegation Coordination
- 11:00a Lawmakers Arrive in Delegation Rooms

Don't miss this important opportunity to support the arts! 🎨



Keynote Speaker: Aaron Maybin

Charles County Arts Alliance Call for Board of Directors 2021 - 2023

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, 2021, through June 30, 2023. 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 TO SUBMIT A 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

WHEN IS THE SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR SELF-NOMINATIONS?

All self-nominations must be received by the CCAA by no later than March 15, 2021.

Thank You For Your Consideration! 🍷

CCAA's 2nd Fridays

When and Where We Enter - In Words and In Truth



CCAA 2nd Fridays continues in February highlighting the Literary Arts and in honor of Black History Month, a panel discussion on the arts in Charles County from the perspective of black artists.

Students from St. Charles High School will be featured reciting original poetry and the panel discussion includes Charles County natives and residents including: Yvonne Medley - Life Journeys Writers Guild, Angelica Jackson - Phoenix International School of the Arts, Cameron Posey, local writer and educator, and more!

Visit our [YouTube page](#), February 12, 2021 at 7:00 pm EST, and join us live.

Did you see last month's visual arts conversation with Draya Bryant, Adrienne Dronenburg, and Julie Meisel? Click [HERE](#) and catch their conversation, *For the LOVE of Art*.

Scholarship Applications for 2021 Are Now Available Online!

Deadline to Apply is March 5, 2021

The Charles County Arts Alliance offers a \$1,500 scholarship to an outstanding graduating senior from each Charles County public high school and St. Mary's Ryken High School (Charles County resident only) who plans to continue studying the arts at a four-year college or university.

Applications are available now, the deadline to apply is March 5, 2021. Click [here](#) to download an application and learn more about the scholarship. For additional information, contact the CCAA office at 301-392-5900, or info@charlescountyarts.org.



Theatre Directors Interactive Roundtable

On January 10, 2021, the Arts Alliance premiered its new theatre education program, hosting 20 members from the southern Maryland theatre community. Moderated by Charles County native A. Lorraine Robinson, the group engaged in a lively multi-faceted discussion covering a range of topics including casting challenges and professional development. The roundtable was so successful, the group was eager to meet again and target on specific topics. As a result, the CCAA scheduled another roundtable with limited space. The session reached capacity in 24 hours and now has a waitlist.

The next roundtable is scheduled for Sunday, February 21, 2021 at 6:00 pm. If you would like to be placed on the waitlist, click [HERE](#) and complete the registration form. Thank you!

The CCAA is encouraged the community's immediate response to this program and is working hard to bring you additional programs like this to continue to enhance the creative spirit in Charles County. 🎭

What the participants thought:

"I participated in the recent theatre directors workshop and it was nothing short of outstanding! The subsequent word of mouth on Facebook was also terrific. Thank You!"

- Anonymous

THEATRE DIRECTORS INTERACTIVE ROUNDTABLE *vol. 2*

The CCAA's Theatre Directors Interactive Round Table returns, led by Tony Award-winning director A. Lorraine Robinson.

Topics to be discussed include:

Auditions and Casting

Table Readings & Rehearsal

Working with the Producer and Tech Staff

Tech Week

All are invited to participate in this event!

February 21, 2021 - 6:00 PM

Moderated by **A. LORRAINE ROBINSON**



A native of Charles County. Winner of a Tony Award for Excellence in Theatre Education. Co-founding/Artistic Producing Director of MuseFire Productions. Senior Director of Artistic Programs at Sitar Arts Center in Washington DC.

This session is full. If interested, please join the waitlist!

Click Here to register for free!

Charles County Arts Alliance 301-392-5900 www.charlescountyarts.org



"The Hill We Climb"
by National Youth Poet Laureate
[Amanda Gorman](#)



During the Presidential Inauguration, January 20, 2021, Amanda Gorman, the nation's first youth poet laureate, stepped into the spotlight and introduced the world to her commanding literary prowess with a call for Americans to "leave behind a country better than the one we were left."

Click the image above to hear her recite her Inaugural poem, "The Hill We Climb."

About the Author . . . Amanda Gorman

Born and raised in Los Angeles, Amanda Gorman began writing at only a few years of age. Now her words have won her invitations to the Obama White House and to perform for Lin-Manuel Miranda, Al Gore, Secretary Hillary Clinton, Malala Yousafzai, and others. Amanda has performed multiple commissioned poems for CBS This Morning and she has spoken at events and venues across the country, including the Library of Congress and Lincoln Center. She has received a Genius Grant from OZY Media, as well as recognition from Scholastic Inc., YoungArts, the Glamour magazine College Women of the Year Awards, and the Webby Awards. She has written for the New York Times newsletter The Edit and penned the manifesto for Nike's 2020 Black History Month campaign. She is the recipient of the Poets & Writers Barnes & Noble Writers for Writers Award, and is the youngest board member of 826 National, the largest youth writing network in the United States. In 2017 UrbanWord and the Library of Congress named her the first ever National Youth Poet Laureate in the United States. ♡



The Maryland State Arts Council and its collaborating partners regularly offer a variety of resources, programs, and funding opportunities. Listed below are a few highlights. Information is updated weekly in the CCAA's Arts Newsflash.

You can also view the Maryland State Art Council's February [Newsletter](#) and visit www.msac.org. 

Opportunity	Description	Date/Deadline	More Information
MSAC Programs	Funding, Resources, and Professional Development	Ongoing	www.msac.org/programs
MSAC Online Offerings	Free Online Offerings	Ongoing	https://www.eventbrite.com/o/maryland-state-arts-council-17190128438
MSDE Fine Arts Office - Professional Learning	Maryland Center for Creative Classrooms	Ongoing	www.msdefinearts.org/about-mc3
Maryland Citizen for the Arts - Maryland Arts Day	Scholarships for: Students and Practicing Artists	February 9, 2021	Students - Click HERE Practicing Artists - Click HERE

Thanks CCAA Members for Your Support!

Platinum Circle

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Robert K. Rausch

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Silver Circle

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Stephen & Linda Dent Mitchell

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Ellen Flowers-Fields
Richard and Penny Gold

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Dana Sue Lateulere
Susannah & David Lynch
Roy M. Maier & Jimmie
Roberts

Henry McPherson
John & Mary Lou Rutherford
John & Lucy Snell
Joshua and Mary Whitmore
Chancy & Sandra Wood

Individual

Paige Ackelson
Debora Almassy
Dr. Theresa Alo
Monika Faust Barilla
David Boarman, II
Brent Bovell
Justin Bowie
Kim Bowie-Hendricks
Alison Brooks
Destiny Brown
Nicole Brown
Draya Bryant
Johnathon Clinkscals
Finn Coy-Gresgraves
Nora Eicholtz
Michelle Evans
Roxana Gonzales
Cynthia Paige Gossage
Barbara L. Graves
William M. Graves
Melissa Hatcher
Olga Herrera
Barbara Hufford
Rebecca L. Hutchinson
Angelica Jackson
Linda Jones
Lori Joseph
Dianne E. Lyon
Kristi Machemer
Ivette Marcucci
Vicki L. Marckel
Julie A. Meisel
Nadira Nunez
Donna Pyles-Robinson
Nolan Solomon
Beverly Taylor
Monique Walker

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
Lew & Karen McIntyre, Authors
Life Journeys Writers Guild
Maryland Writers' Association -
Charles County Chapter
Mattawoman Creek Art Center
Music Teachers Association
of Charles County, Inc.
Nanjemoy Community Center
Neighborhood Creative Arts
Center
Port Tobacco Players
Southern Maryland Carousel
Group
Southern Maryland Decorative
Painters
Town of Indian Head

Senior

Ruth Bailey
Norma Baretincic
Cindi Barnhart
Susie Bender
Judy Burch
Rose Burroughs
Carol Y. Charnock
Brenda Clayburn
Martha Knight Clements
Carol Corbett
Dorothy Crown
Holly Dilatush
Cecelia Dunay
Patricia Duncan
Nora Eicholtz
Donald Faust
Geary Fisher
Gwendolyn A. Fleming
Joselle Gilpin
Sally Marie Goldsmith
Barbara Lord Graves
Joyce Williams Graves
William M. Graves
Doris J. Hall
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Sally Hopp
Arnold Hurley
Renée Jefferson-Copeland
Mary Ann Jenkins
Gordon Ray Johnson

William Jones
Mary Kercher
Robert Kyle
Addison Likins
Beverlie J. Ludy
Mary Mangino
Janice McConnell
Karen McIntyre
Lew McIntyre
Lew & Karen McIntyre, Authors
Connie Miller
Constance E. Moore
Chuck Morse
Margaret S. Neal
Mary Jo O'Neil
Kathleen Noel
Janet Norton
Marie C. Parham
Shirley A. Perez
Sandy Rohde
Frank Roth
Buddy Scott
Kathryn Simkins
Dorothea H. Smith
Roger E. Smith
Jill Smithson
Nancy Swenson
Evans Thorne
Paul Toscano
Ernestine Ware
Reginald Ware
Carmella Watkins

Youth

Ja'Leana Graves
Sky Ann Hall
Jaden Hendricks
Joshua Owen

We

Our
Members

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!

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

Charles County Arts Alliance

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Master Calendar FY 2021

2020

Saturday, July 11, 10:00 am – Noon
CCAA Board Meeting
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Platform

Saturday, September 12, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm and
Monday, September 14, 6:00 - 9:00 pm
CCAA Summer Retreat
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Platform

Saturday, September 19, 9:00 am – Noon
Art Box Assembly
Charles County Fairgrounds, La Plata

Friday, November 13, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
CCAA 2nd Fridays - Music, *Special Guest: Carly Harvey*
YouTube Live

Saturday, November 14, 10:00 am – Noon
CCAA Board Meeting
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Platform

Friday, December 11, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
CCAA 2nd Fridays - *DanceVisions with Special Guest: Sheryl Pollard-Thomas*
YouTube Live

Saturday, December 7, 10:00 am – Noon
CCAA Board Meeting
United Way House, La Plata

2021

Friday, January 8, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
CCAA 2nd Fridays - *For the LOVE of Art*
YouTube Live

Saturday, January 9, 10:00 am - Noon
CCAA Board Meeting
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Platform

Sunday, January 10, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Theatre Directors Interactive Roundtable
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Platform

Saturday, January 30, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
CCAA Mid-Winter Retreat - Virtual
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Platform

Thursday, February 11, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Virtual Maryland Arts Day
Crowdcast Platform

Friday, February 12, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
CCAA 2nd Fridays - *When and Where We Enter: In Words and In Truth*
YouTube Live

2021 (con't)

Sunday, February 21, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Theatre Directors Interactive Roundtable - Vol. 2
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Platform

Friday, March 12, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
CCAA 2nd Fridays - Theatre
YouTube Live

Saturday, March 13, 10:00 am – Noon
CCAA Board Meeting
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Platform

Friday, April 9, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
CCAA 2nd Fridays - Open Mic, Mixed Disciplines
YouTube Live

Saturday, April 10, 10:00 am – Noon
CCAA Board Meeting
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Platform

Saturday, May 15, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
CCAA Annual Membership Meeting
TBD

Thursday, June 5, 10:00 am - Noon
CCAA Board Meeting
Virtual Meeting - Zoom Platform

Saturday, June 12
Virtual ArtsFest Weekend
TBD

Note: Dates and times may be subject to change.

Arts Insider

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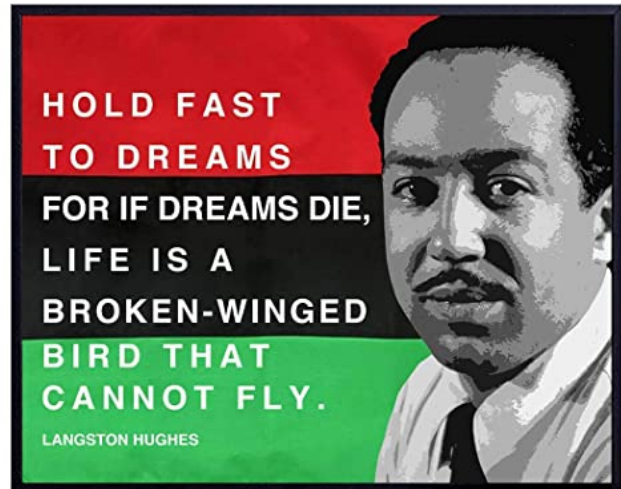
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