



MAIL YOUR ELECTION BALLOT TODAY! The deadline for this year's board elections is May 1.

Your Ballot must be returned by regular mail to our Election Coordinator, Cindi Barnhart. In order to be counted, ballots must be received in the <u>official, stamped return envelope</u>, with a written or preprinted return address label, no later than May 1, 2021.

## **Call for Artists**



Click here to view the gallery submission guidelines.

CCAA is seeking submissions for the upcoming show at the gallery inside the Community Bank of the Chesapeake's Waldorf location.

Please send up to two .jpg files to artsalliancegalleries@gmail.com by Friday, May 7

The show will be installed May 28 and conclude October 1, 2021.

Did you miss the live watch party for the *Banjo Projects'* inaugural event? No worries; you can watch it now and anytime on our YouTube channel!



A panel of five distinguished players, scholars, and enthusiasts discussed the banjo's West African roots, its forgotten pioneers, and its significant history in Charles County and the Chesapeake region.

The panel was moderated by professorCharles Perryman of the College of Southern Maryland. Panelists include banjo player and builder Byron Thomas, David Woolridge, Kristina Gaddy, and Pete Ross.



## Tax Day is May 17!

Did you know that your donation to the Charles County Arts Alliance is 100 percent tax deductible?

Make your one-time donation here!

You can be a part of Promoting All the Arts in Charles County. Join Today!

## **Performing Arts**

#### **Friday Night Concert Series**

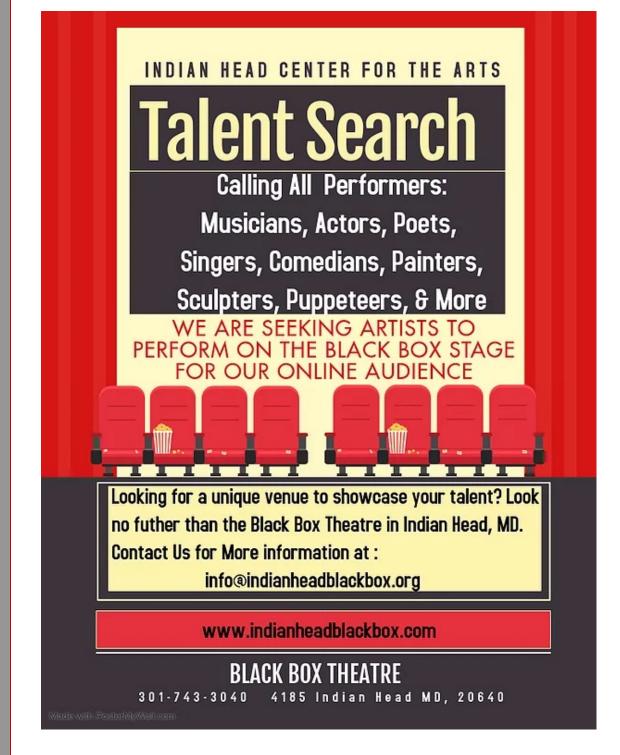
Join the CCAA and CCYO students, faculty, and friends for an evening of music every Friday night at 6:00 PM on the CCAA YouTube Channel.

This week: Elizabeth Tober performs "Millionaire's Hoedown" by Herman Clebanoff (arranged by Barbara Barber).

Be sure to subscribe to our channel for a new Friday Night Concert every week.









# **CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL**

For Students Ages 10 - 18

Session 1: July 6-10; Concert July 10 Session 2: July 13-17; Concert July 17 Session 3: July 20 -24; Concert July 24

ONLINE AND AT THE ALICE FERGUSON FOUNDATION, ACCOKEEK, MD

CCYO members (all ensembles): \$40/session. Non CCYO members: \$50/session

Audition is required for non-CCYO applicants

For application information and more details:

charlescountyyouthorchestra.org/chamber-music-festival



July 25 - 30, 2021 • Age 12-18

## LOCATION

Hard Bargain Farm, Accokeek MD

## COST

Overnight: \$850 (all meals included) Commuter: \$600 (lunch meal included)

Instruction for all levels Beginner - Advanced

Reserve your spot prior to online registration! Send student Name, Age, City & State to: somardrummers@gmail.com



#### Got questions? Send us an email

#### Click here to see what's happening in the Arts at the College of Southern Maryland!

Campuses will be open every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM to allow for some in-person student services in a carefully-regulated basis.

The College of Southern Maryland has announced that **the campus will remain in Remote- or Restricted Operations mode through MAY 2021.** For more information, visit the College's website.

## **Visual Arts**





# 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Open Juried Show

## Friday, April 23 – Sunday, May 30, 2021

Featuring artwork in a variety of styles and media in our spacious gallery located in Smallwood State Park on the scenic Mattawoman Creek in Charles County. Park gate fee is waived for Art Center visitors.

> MCAC is open and free to the public: Fridays, Saturdays, & Sundays: 11:00 – 4:00.

Reception on the Lawn: Sunday, May 16, 1:00 – 4:00. Rain date is Sunday, May 23. Check the MCAC website for status. Awards presentation and gallery talk by the juror start at 2:00.

## If you are an art lover, please come out and see the show!

**COVID-19 protocol** is in place to keep our artists, members, and visitors safe. Face masks and social distancing are required.

> MCAC website: www.MattawomanArt.org Email Address: MattawomanArt@aol.com Office Phone: 301-743-5159

MCAC receives support from its members, benefactors, and sponsors, including the following:



**PUBLIC SCHOOLS** 

# **CHARLES CO** 2nd Quarter Virtual Art Show

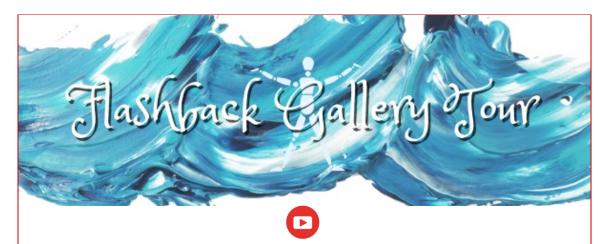
**Elementary School Exhibit** Middle School Exhibit **High School Exhibit** 

## **Maryland Art Place**

presents the Out of Order exhibition and KIDOOO

MAP is seeking entries for their 2nd Out of Order art exhibition and for

#### KIDOOO art auction. Click here for more information. CALL CLOSES MAY 4 AT MIDNIGHT!



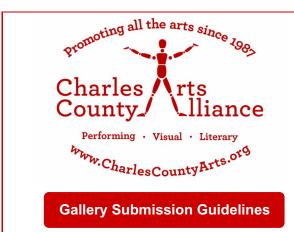
Revisit CCAA's past galleries with our Flashback Gallery Tour! Check out the playlist on our YouTube channel. Videos are shared every Sunday and Wednesday at noon.

Yesterday's Gallery:



#### Flashback Gallery Tour Schedule for April:

- Sunday, April 4: CBTC Waldorf, May August 2016
- Wednesday, April 7: Betty Fuqua @Commissioners Gallery, Winter 2015
- Sunday, April 11: Waldorf West Library, Summer 2015
- Wednesday, April 14: Pat Troiani @ UM Charles Regional, Summer 2014
- Sunday, April 18: Veterans Gallery, January June 2018 (Part 1)
- Wednesday, April 21: CBTC Waldorf , Fall Winter 2016
- Sunday, April 25: Nadira Nunez @ Commissioners Gallery, Fall 2017
- Wednesday, April 28: Jan Garland @ Commissioners Gallery, Spring 2015



#### **CCAA-Sponsored Galleries**

<u>Charles County Government</u> <u>Commissioners Building</u> Solo Show with Carl Harris March 19 - July 13 Open 8:00 am - 4:30 pm weekdays 200 Baltimore Street, La Plata MD 20646

University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center TEMPORARILY CLOSED Solo Show with Josh Owen

## **CCAA-Supported Galleries**

Charlotte Hall Veterans Home TEMPORARILY CLOSED Open 10:00 am - 8:00 pm daily E-wing Assisted Living Dining Hallway 29449 Charlotte Hall Road, Charlotte Hall MD

Community Bank of the Chesapeake - Charlotte Hall Branch

Open 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday through Thursday; Friday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm; Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

30165 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall MD

Open 8:00 am - 8:00 pm daily 5 Garrett Avenue, La Plata MD 20646

Community Bank of the Chesapeake -Waldorf Branch

*Multi-Artist Show* through May 28, 2021 Open 9:00 am - 4:00 pm weekdays 3035 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf MD 20603

For more information about CCAA sponsored and supported galleries, contact our office at 301-392-5900 or info@charlescountyarts.org

Visit our website to see the current gallery shows online!

## Literary Arts



**Check the Calendar** 

Though library branches remained closed to the public, lots of virtual programs are available!

 $\leftarrow$  Click this button to register.



Calling all poets, spoken word artists, emcees, and writers!



Represent Southern Maryland as the first-ever Youth Poet Laureate!

You have a voice, and our community needs it! Enter to become the inaugural <u>Southern Maryland Youth Poet Laureate</u> and be

awarded: A CASH PRIZE A READING/BOOK-SIGNING TOUR A NATIONAL BOOK DEAL AN OFFICIAL ART AMBASSADOR TITLE DVAN CEMENT TO NATIONAL SEMI-FINALS

> Application due by May 31, 2021 Isit: www.pisota.org/SOMDYPL for details.

Pearn more at these upcoming info sessions Program Kick-Off Call - Sunday, April 25th Ine Journeys Writing Workshop - Saturday May 1st

For more information and to RSVP, visit: www.pisota.org/SOMDYPL

#### A Message from Life Journeys Writers Guild:

We're Keeping our Social Distance, and nurturing Healthy and Literary Relationships!!! While we're hoping to return to the Waldorf West Library and other venues in the future, we are here for you, Virtually!!!! Inquire about our special Writing Workshops, held monthly, and our Literary Events throughout 2021! Email info@lifejourneyswritersguild.org or Call 240.427.LJWG (5594) for details.





Notable Author for April:

**Gary Jobson** 



#### The Charles County chapter of the Maryland Writers' Association

provides support to aspiring and established writers in all aspects of the craft, including basic writing, editing, beta readers and critiques, publishing and marketing. We also set up periodic book signing events, though these are largely on hold due to the pandemic. Our monthly meetings cover where we all are on our literary journey, guest speakers, upcoming events, and opportunities for submission. Our chapter meets virtually the third Wednesday of each month, with a critique group from 6PM to 7PM, followed by a business meeting, speakers and writing prompts from 7-8:30PM. E-mail Lewis McIntyre to be added to our mailing list to receive our Zoom meeting links.

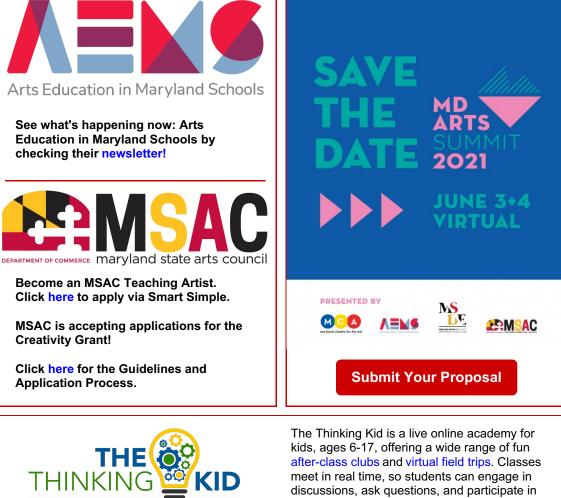


The Maryland Writers' Association (MWA) invites you to have fun being a sportswriter like Gary. With just 100 words, pick any sport and write about an event or occurrence (real or imagined) in that sport. Remember to answer who, what, when, where, and why. Submit your Fun With Words response by April 25 and receive an MWA Fun With Words submission certificate. Selected responses will be published with next month's article.

## **Community, Heritage, & Cultural Arts**

The National Endowment for the Humanities is offering two new funding opportunities for Economic Recovery for Cultural and Educational Institutions. Click here for more information!





**Class Catalog by Age:** 7-99-1111-1313-15

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**Community Senior Centers** Get The SCOOP on What's Happening!



#### **EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:**

All Senior Centers and the Nanjemoy Community Center are closed to participants. All scheduled activities, classes, and programs for older adults are canceled. For more information, visit the Charles County Government website.

discussions, ask questions, and participate in activities while being seen and heard by their online classmates!

Please visit The Thinking Kid online or email georgia@thethinkingkid.org to register.



**Professional Development Opportunities with MSAC:** 

Learn how the Maryland State Arts Council is working to advance the arts in our State.

Click the button below to see what's available!

**Register Now** 

Become a Member of **CCAA** 



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The *Newsflash* is published every Thursday. If you would like your event included, contact the CCAA office by email at

#### info@charlescountyarts.org

or phone 301-392-5900 no later than the Monday before your event.

The CCAA is an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization. All membership dues and donations are 100 percent tax deductible

#### **CCAA Membership Organizations**

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#### About the Charles County Arts Alliance, Inc.

The mission of the Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) is to stimulate, promote, encourage, and provide recognition of the arts and the creative spirit. Founded in 1987, the CCAA promotes ALL the arts in Charles County: music, visual art, drama, dance and literature.

The CCAA is the official arts council of Charles County and is recognized as such by the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC), an agency of the Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) of the State of Maryland. In this capacity, the CCAA serves as the "umbrella" organization for the arts community in Charles County. The CCAA promotes Charles County arts organizations and individuals, provides financial support to nonprofit organizations and the schools through its annual arts grant programs, sponsors the creation and presentation of new, diverse cultural activities and special events for the community, provides arts scholarships, and ensures the Charles County's under-served population, people with disabilities, residents with limited income, minorities, and senior citizens have access to the arts. The CCAA builds partnerships with local government, the business community and the educational community, in an effort to enhance the overall quality of life for the citizens of Charles County.

CCAA Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM