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Charles County Arts Alliance "Adopts" Southern Maryland Carousel Horse!



The Charles County Arts Alliance is pleased to announce that it is the proud "parent" of one of the beautifully hand-carved wooden horses of the Southern Maryland Carousel Group! On May 3, 2014, we officially "adopted" Lord Baltimore, a very handsome steed depicting the Maryland State flag with emblems of the Calvert and Crossland families. The "adoption papers" were completed and first announced publicly during our CCAA Annual Membership Meeting and Reception held at the Waldorf West Library.

Arts Alliance President Robert Rausch presented a check to Burkey Boggs, President of the Southern Maryland Carousel Group, and noted that the total "adoption" cost of \$6,000 would be paid over a three-year period. We were then surprised and delighted to learn that our very own Lord Baltimore had been selected to serve as the "lead horse" – the leader of the pack – for the planned carousel!

The Southern Maryland Carousel Group was founded in 2004 by Boggs and a group of highly skilled traditional woodcarvers in our region. Their nonprofit organization's mission is to create a full-scale working reconstruction of the beloved wooden carousel that was located at the turn-of-the-century Marshall Hall Amusement Park on the Potomac River in Charles County. This amusement park was extremely popular across the entire Southern Maryland region and with Washington, DC residents before the park closed in the 1960's.

The Southern Maryland Carousel Group to date has carved a total of 52 horses and other animals, along with a set of unique wooden plaques of "famous heads" of Charles County and Maryland historical figures. Once completed, the reconstructed carousel will be housed in an enclosed building that will also offer traditional woodcarving classes. The final site location for the reconstructed carousel is to be determined.

Feel free to stop by and check out Lord Baltimore the next time you are in La Plata! He is located in the atrium lobby of the new Courthouse. The Charles County Arts Alliance is extremely pleased to contribute funding to this very worthy project, to help ensure that this increasingly rare folk art of traditional woodcarving is passed on to future generations to appreciate and enjoy!





CCAA Board of Directors Holds Annual Summer Retreat at Solomons, Maryland







On Saturday, August 3, members of the CCAA Board and staff participated in an all day retreat at Solomons, Maryland. The purpose of the retreat was to review the challenges and successes of the past year and to plan for FY 2015.



The Board reviewed and approved the new budget and calendar, evaluated the programs and activities of the previous year and held committee meetings for Events, Scholarships, ArtsFest and our five-day participation at the Charles County Fair. In addition, the Board was given a complete overview of the Gallery Committee by its Chair, Gale Kladitis; and, of the Outreach

and Marketing Committee (including the new website) by its Chair, Diane Rausch.

The last hour of the day was devoted to

"stuffing" 250 art boxes with art supplies that will be donated to the Children's County Children's Aid Society. These will be given to needy elementary students at the beginning of the next school year. Earlier in the day, the Board determined to order supplies for an additional 50 art boxes in order to match our last year's donation to this worthy cause. This is our eighth year of donating art boxes to the Children's Aid Society."

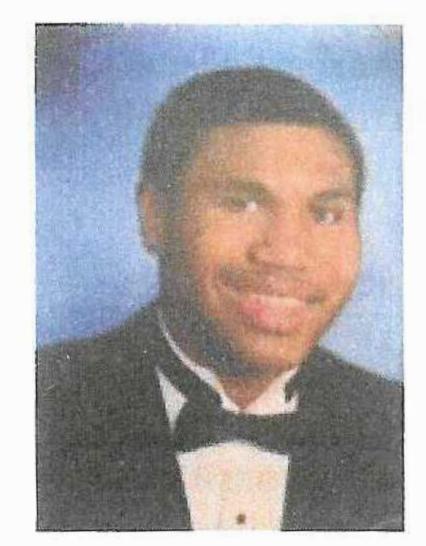








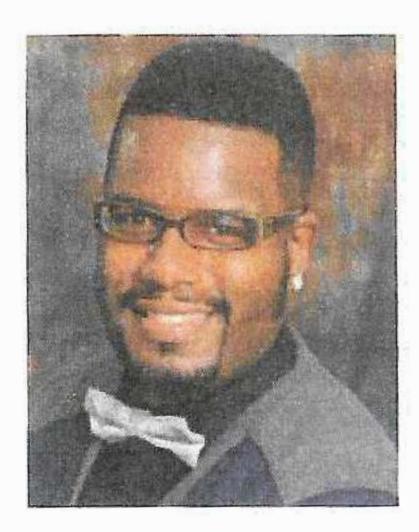
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Carl McManus from Westlake High School maintained a Highest Honors level GPA on a weighted scale that included multiple Honors and Advanced Placement courses. In addition to his academic achievements, his artistic achievements included multiple theater and chorus performances. He appeared in the Westlake Theatre Company in the stage shows *Shrek: The Musical, Snow Angel, Curtains,* and *Little Shop of Horrors.* He was inducted into the International Thespian Society Troupe in January 2012, and served as the Board Historian. In addition to singing in Westlake's Men's Choir, Chamber Choir, and A Cappella Ensemble, he has performed for the past three years in All-County Chorus and Tri-County Chorus. Mr. McManus will continue his acting studies as a theater major at Frostburg University.



Tessa Norman from Maurice J. McDonough High School graduated with Honors level GPA on a weighted scale that included several rigorous Honors courses. She had an extensive list of acting roles in McDonough High School theater productions, including West Side Story, Grease, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Cinderella, and The Little Mermaid. She learned other aspects of the craft by working as stage manager for Peter Pan. During her senior year, she immersed herself in theater studies, including Advance Acting, Stage Production, and Multi-media 2 and added an Independent Study in Theater. According to her drama teacher, this student has called her stage and classroom leadership "invaluable." She was considered a "triple threat" in her acting, singing, and dancing. It is no surprise to learn that Ms. Norman will attend Frostburg State University to study as a Theatrical Studies Major.



Kenneth Waters, Jr. started at the College of Southern Maryland as an accounting and business student, but changed his focus when the bright lights of the theater beckoned to him. His decision to focus on theater cemented his future college and career plans. His newfound purpose was demonstrated in a cumulative level Honors GPA and appearances in CSM and local theater productions, including *Willie Wonka* and *Little Shop of Horrors*. He has built and managed stage sets, acted, and sung, all while working off campus in both full- and part-time jobs. Mr. Waters will continue his college education at North Carolina A&T to pursue his dream of teaching theater.

For more information about the CCAA Scholarship Program, contact the CCAA office at 301-392-5900 or info@ charlescountyarts.org.



Arts Alliance Hosts "Meet the Artists" Public Reception Saturday, July 12 at the Waldorf West Library

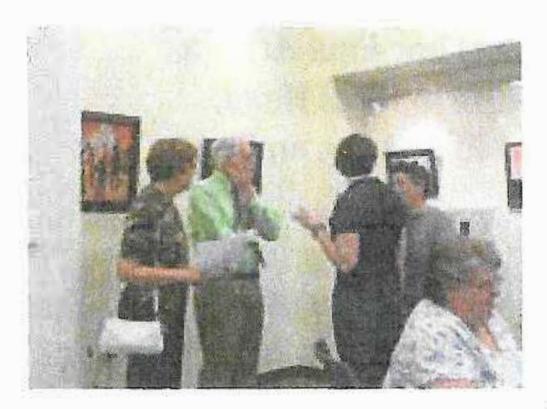


Twenty-Seven Artists were Honored!

On Saturday, July 12, the Charles County Arts Alliance presented its third "Meet the Artists" Public Reception of 2014, at the Waldorf West Library, located at 10405 O'Donnell Place Waldorf, Maryland. The reception took place from 2:00 - 4:00 pm, in the main gallery located on the first floor. Light refreshments were served, and the event was free and open to the public.

The Charles County Arts Alliance manages four separate gallery spaces year-round on two floors of the Waldorf West Library, in partnership with the Charles County Public Library. The current exhibit is the seventh art show presented by the Arts Alliance since the Waldorf West Library opened in November 2012. The exhibit runs through September 30, 2014, and the theme is "Up, Up & Away!" The multimedia exhibition displays 40 works of art from 27 artists.

The artists recoginzed for their participation in the summer show were: Free Akins, Theresa Alo, Marianna Albrittain, Kelly Ashby, Cindi Barnhart, Patricia Biles, Cecelia Dunay, Betty Fuqua, Jan Garland, Josh Hettel, Gordon Johnson, Belinda Keller, Anne Machetto, Vicki Marckel, Leah Meyers, Constance Moore, Cliff Morgan, Jamie Oliver, Nancy Owens, Vicky Powers, Ayanna Proctor, Annabel Russell, Cynthia Snyder, Angela Steinhauser, Barbara Stepura, Pat Troiani, and Shannon Wang.













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ARTS ALLIANCE "CALL FOR ARTISTS"

Deadline to Submit is September 1!



Theme is "Artists Choice!"

The Charles County Arts Alliance is now accepting submissions for the Fall Art Show, a multi-media public exhibit, to be held at the Waldorf West Library, 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD, from October 2 to December 30, 2014. The Library consists of four separate gallery spaces on two floors.

Local artists are invited to submit a maximum of two works of art on any subject, to the Charles County Arts Alliance for consideration (there is no submission fee). Artwork entries must be submitted electronically as low-resolution digital images (jpegs) attached to an email sent to waldorfwestgallery@gmail.com.

The email must include:

- Artist's name
- Artist's mailing address
- Artist's email address
- Artist's phone number
- Artist's biography (half-page max, in MS-Word)
- Artist's headshot (jpeg)
- Title of artwork
- Medium/materials used
- Size/dimensions
- Year created
- Price, if applicable

Artists who have previously shown in the gallery are invited to submit new work for consideration.

A "Meet the Artists" Public Reception will be held on **Saturday, October 4, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm**, at the Waldorf West Library's Main Gallery to honor all the artists participating in the fall show!

For more information on the Waldorf West Library Gallery, call the CCAA office at 301-392-5900 or email info@ charlescountyarts.org.

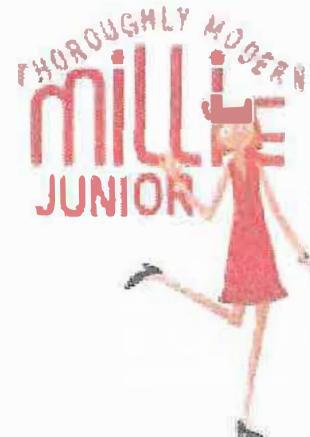
Performing Arts

Port Tobacco Players

Camp Mockabee Theater Camp

Thoroughly Modern Millie Jr.

August 2, 11:00 am Tickets are \$5.



After two weeks of learning, creating, and exploring, Camp Mockabee's Teen Camp performs a one-act Broadway musical, *Thoroughly Modern Millie Jr.*

The Theater is located at 508 Charles Street, La Plata MD. For more information or to order tickets, visit their website at http://www.

ptplayers.com or call 301-932-6819

Southern Maryland Jazz Orchestra at National Harbor's Plaza Stage 165 Waterfront Street Saturday, August 2, 6:00 - 8:00 pm Free Admission, Bring Lawn Chairs



The Orchestra will perform contemporary rock and jazz style music. The Plaza Stage is down by the water just in front of the "Awakening" statue and beside the new Ferris wheel.

SMJO performs for many community civic and arts events in Southern Maryland. If you are interested in having them perform for an event which you sponsor, contact SMJO director Roy R. Jenkins at 301-751-3115, rjenkins49@comcast.net or business manager Jerry Barrett at 301-659-3322, gbarr23376@comcast.net. For more information about National Harbor, go to their Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/visitnationalharbor.

Ms. Georgia's Musical Beginnings

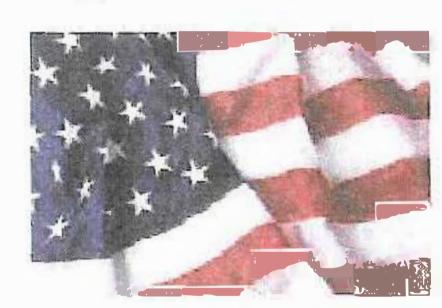
Summer Music Camps Amazing Animal Encounters through Music! August 4-7; 9:30 am-12:30 pm



Don't miss this exploration of music inspired by animals!
Not only will we focus daily on building essential music and keyboard skills through hilarious games, but create animal art in the style of great

artists! Manipulate rhythms through rhythm games, participate in bell choirs or keyboard ensembles, and listen to music classics inspired by animals. Mix in pony rides (at a neighboring farm!), snacks, water balloons and musical carnival games and you have a winning combination!

Star Spangled America! August 11-14; 2:00 - 5:00 pm



A visit from Rosalie of Riversdale, who will sweep us into the excitement of the 1812 War and the creation of the Star Spangled Banner, Basketball Rhythm, and Pop Art are just a few activities

that await you at this camp where we will study the greats of American music and art! Finish the last day off with a truly American picnic with water games and hot dogs and it's a homerun for sure!

Each camp only \$120 for 12 hours of instruction! Individually customized materials included; for all ages, beginner to intermediate levels; sibling discounts and extended care available.

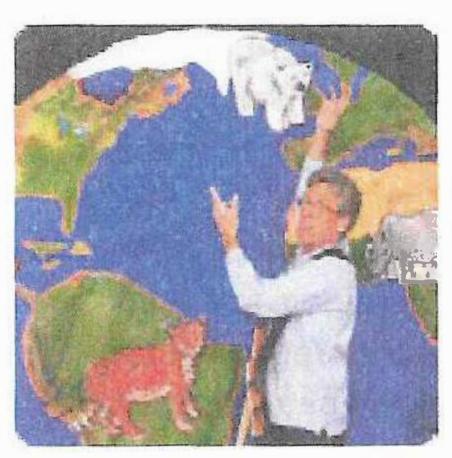
For more information, call 301-542-9359 or visit http://www.msgeorgiasmusicalbeginnings.net.

Performing and Literary Arts

The Town of La Plata Kids' Summer Shows! Outdoors on the West Lawn of the La Plata Town Hall

305 Queen Anne Street, La Plata, MD Free! Open to the Public! Tuesdays, 10:00 am

The shows are geared towards preschool and elementary age children and are approximately 45 minutes long. Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs for sitting. No concessions will be available, but you are welcome to bring drinks and snacks.



August 5 - Billy B Live!

Billy B will create an interactive song, dance and comedy show for kids and their families inspired by La Plata's local natural environment. Filled with fun and funny factually correct routines about the earth,

dragonflies, mosquitoes, swamps and the Chesapeake Bay!



August 19 - Funny Magic Dude Brian Garner

Magic that is out of this world!
Comedy that will make everyone-children and adults--laugh
out loud! An incredible mix of
dancing, laughter and handson magic. Based in southern
Maryland, Brian Garner, the
Funny Magic Dude, has been

performing magic in Maryland, DC, and Virginia for over 25 years, and has performed at such places as Disney World, Six Flags America and The White House.

Come and experience a show that is full of audience participation, fun and excitement for your entire family. Come and see a magician like no other: The Funny Magic Dude, Brian Garner.

For more information, visit http://www.townoflaplata.org.

Waldorf West Library Hosts 9th Annual Authors' Reception Saturday, August 9, 1:00 - 3:00 pm



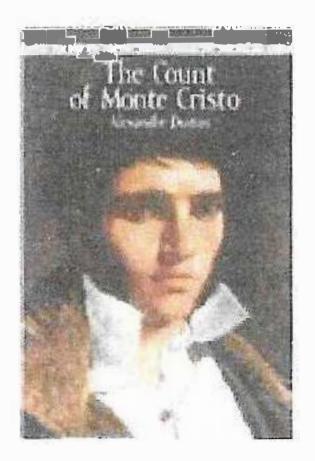
This year, 16 authors will show and sell their literary wares.

The community is invited to come, meet-and-greet, hear from a very diverse, eclectic gathering of authors, and sample their works. The participating authors are: Rev. Dr. Michelle Balamani-Silvera, Thank U God, It's Monday!: Meditations & Motivation for Living a Great Full Life; Towhanna A. Boston, I Do, I Will, I Shouldn't Have; Kathleen Brockway, Baltimore's Deaf Heritage; Doris Dasenbrock (Madam Zucchini), Madam Zucchini's Garden Rhymes; Patricia P. Harrington, Witchy Tales: Gail Warning; Mary Horsey (Raine), The Attorney and His Associate: Desires of the Heart; E. L. Jefferson, Captain Cricket: Fighting Does Not Solve Problems; Mary Ann Jenkins, The Witch's Journal; Priscilla Koranteng, Janju: The Voice of One Girl; Charles Long, Momma Tree; Keir Lyles, Fallen Angel; James Mascia, High School Heroes; Yvonne J. Medley, The Prison Plumb Line; Avis Minott, From Birth To New Birth; Claudia Tynes, His Love Flows; and Malcolm J. Young, SpeakNow: Poems for Young People.

The Library is located at 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD. For more information, contact Yvonne Medley at 301-705-8972 or emeddle@aol.com.

Literary Arts

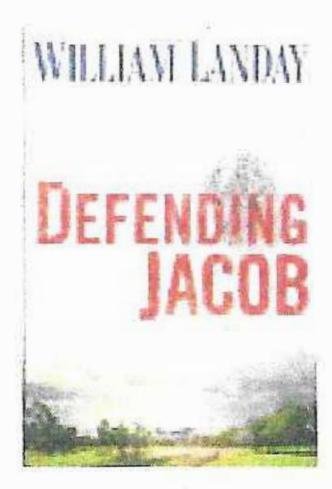
Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion Group will meet at 1:00 pm on the first Thursday of every month. Anyone interested in joining the group can call 301-934-9001 or email Natasha Miller at nmiller@ccplonline.org for more information. The Center is located at 1210 Charles Street, La Plata, MD 20646.



August 7: The Count of Monte Cristo by Alexandre Dumas. Set against the turbulent years of the Napoleonic era, Alexandre Dumas's thrilling adventure story is one of the most widely read romantic novels of all time. In it the dashing young hero, Edmond Dantès, is betrayed by his enemies and thrown into a secret

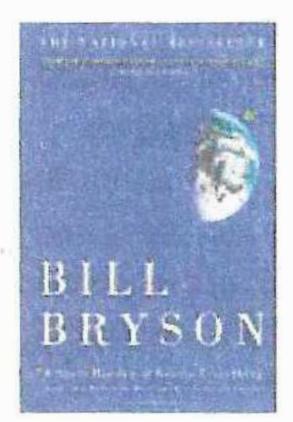
dungeon in the Chateau d'If--doomed to spend his life in a dank prison cell. The story of his long, intolerable years in captivity, his miraculous escape, and his carefully wrought revenge creates a dramatic tale of mystery and intrigue and paints a vision of France--a dazzling, dueling, exuberant France--that has become immortal.

La Plata Book Discussion Group meets at 7:00 pm on the second Thursday of every month. To join call 301-934-9001 or email sbland@ccplonline.org for more information. The Library is located at 2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646.



August 14: Defending Jacob by
William Landay. Andy Barber has
been a well-respected assistant
district attorney in his suburban
Massachusetts county for more
than twenty years. But when his
fourteen-year-old son, Jacob, is
charged with the murder of a fellow
student, the entire community is
shattered. Award-winning author

William Landay has written the consummate novel of an embattled family in crisis—a suspenseful, character driven mystery that is also a spellbinding tale of guilt, betrayal, and the terrifying speed at which our lives can spin out of control. Waldorf West Summer Adult Book Club
Meets on Tuesdays, from 10:00 to 11:00 am. Preregistration at www.ccplonline.org is required by
the evening before the discussion. The Library
is located at 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf. For
more information, call 301-645-1395.



August 19: A Short History of
Nearly Everything by Bill Bryson.

Taking as territory everything from
the Big Bang to the rise of civilization,
Bryson seeks to understand how we
got from there being nothing at all
to there being us. A Short History of
Nearly Everything is the record of this
quest, and it is a sometimes profound,

sometimes funny, and always supremely clear and entertaining adventure in the realms of human knowledge, as only Bill Bryson can render it. Science has never been more involving or entertaining.

Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm. Contact Lena Cox at 301-375-7375 or email lcox@ccplonline.org for more information. The Senior Center is located at 100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head, MD 20640.



August 27: Necessary Lies by Diane Chamberlain. After losing her parents, fifteen-year-old Ivy Hart is left to care for her grandmother, older sister and nephew as tenants on a small tobacco farm. As she struggles with her grandmother's aging, her sister's mental illness and

her own epilepsy, she realizes they might need more than she can give. Set in rural Grace County, North Carolina in a time of state-mandated sterilizations and racial tension, *Necessary Lies* tells the story of these two young women, seemingly worlds apart, but both haunted by tragedy. Jane and Ivy are thrown together and must ask themselves: how can you know what you believe is right, when everyone is telling you it's wrong?

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$\overline{\checkmark}$	Sat, Aug 2, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm CCAA Board Summer Retreat Solomons Landing, Solomons	Wed, Feb 11, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Maryland Arts Day Annapolis
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	Thu, Oct 30, 7:30 – 9:00 pm CCAA Board Meeting United Way House, La Plata	Thu, May 14, 7:30 – 9:00 pm CCAA Board Meeting United Way House, La Plata
	Sat, Nov 15, 7:00 – 10:00 pm CCAA Annual Grantee and Membership Gala Old Waldorf School	Thu, Jun 11, 7:30 – 9:00 pm CCAA Board Meeting La Plata Town Hall
	Fri, Dec 5, TBD Sat, Dec 6, TBD "A Holiday Arts Faire" - Kris Kringle Christmas Market 2014 Charles County Holiday Trail Charles County Fairgounds, La Plata	Sat, Jun 13, 12:00 – 6:00 pm (Rain Date June 14) ArtsFest 2015 La Plata Town Hall
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