



#### **Welcome to ArtLink**

The Frederick Arts Council welcomes your ideas and support as it continues to bring together the community's arts organizations to strengthen our region's arts and culture.

Become a member of the Frederick Arts Council today to join us.



Frederick Arts Council Presents Mural by Artist GERALUZ as Part of Public Art Program



This new FAC mural on the side of the building at 201 S. Market Street, entitled "Healing Bouquet," is made possible by the Ausherman Family Foundation.

Thanks also to Jessica Underwood for the use of her property.

#### Frederick News Post close-up photo

#### **Artist statement by Gera Lozano (GERALUZ):**

This mural is a gift of love & tranquility for the US & the world.

As a spirit animal, the heron is a liminal creature, existing in the transitional moments before anew. The heron asks us to look deeper, to ground our selves with the earth and find the knowledge to be free.

We are in a transitional space in history, a time to take into account our past, learn from our mistakes and forgive ourselves so we can move forward positively. Moving forward with love, equity & consciousness for each other and be proud to be part of this human race of the cosmos. Love for one another is our strength and power.



# Installation by Artist Larry Cook Jr. Now on View at Sky Stage

Larry Cook Jr., a conceptual and installation artist who has shown at the National Gallery of Art, MOMA, the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery, and the Baltimore Museum of Art (among others), has created one of his backdrop installations at Sky Stage. He employs aspects of pictorial realism and fantasy to explore broader issues of status, individualism and realism in black culture.

This installation will be on location and available for viewing throughout the summer.



The artist setting up



Larry Cook, Jr. with his finished backdrop installation



Interviewing with Jasmine Pelaez of WDVM

#### **Member Spotlight and Virtual Artist Market Feature**

We are featuring members in our weekly Member Spotlight (on social media and in 72 Hours) and in our upcoming Individual Artist Market (featuring the work of individual artists, with links to artist website to purchase online). To request placement in either program, email <a href="info@frederickartscouncil.org">info@frederickartscouncil.org</a> with the subject line "FAC feature" to make it in the queue.

## Give to the Frederick Arts Council's Artist Relief Fund

www.gofundme.com/manage/give-tothe-frederick-artist-relief-fund



# IF YOU LOVE THE ARTS IN FREDERICK,

please consider pitching in to our relief fund. The arts have been very good to this community. If you take care of the arts, the arts will take care of you. (photo courtesy of National Cherry Blossom Festival)

Frederick artist Matthew Long working on one of his many creations for the National Cherry Blossom Festival

The Frederick Arts Council's Artist Relief Fund will award grants of \$250–\$500 to individual artists who live in Frederick County and whose creative practices and incomes are being adversely impacted by Coronavirus 2019 (COVID–19). This fund is for individual artists.

To donate, go to www.gofundme. com and Search Frederick Artist Relief Fund.

To apply or to get more information write to info@frederickartscouncil.org and visit www. frederickartscouncil.org.



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Go to the GoFundMe



# Creative Conversations: Lunchtime Edition for Independent Artists



Grab your lunch, login, listen and learn! MSAC Program Directors Emily Sollenberger and Laura Weiss are hosting a series of online gatherings for independent artists to connect with creative, discipline-specific, community members in a small group setting. These hour-long lunchtime sessions are an "off the record" time to share with peers where you are at in your current work, what you are excited about, and what challenges you may be facing.

Registration is required (maximum of 20 participants per session); meetings will be held through Google Meet.

#### **Performing Artists**

Monday, June 22 at 12 noon Hosted by Laura Weiss Register here

#### **Visual Artists**

Tuesday, June 23 at 12 noon Hosted by Emily Sollenberger Register here

#### **Literary Artists**

Thursday, June 25 at 12 noon Hosted by Laura Weiss Register here

Questions? Contact Program Directors Emily Sollenberger (emily.sollenberger@maryland.gov) or Laura Weiss (laura.weiss@maryland.gov) for assistance.

2021 Independent Artist Awards Visual/Media Artists Apply Today!



Artwork: "Everything We Own" by Amy Boone-McCreesh, FY19 IAA Winner

MSAC's Independent Artist Awards (IAAs) recognize achievement by Maryland artists who are working independent of an institution or organization. The awards are accompanied by grants of \$2,000, \$10,000, and \$15,000 that encourage artistic growth and sustained practice.

2021 IAAs will recognize artists in the Visual/Media Arts Artistic categories rotate in a three-year cycle. Literary Arts applications will be accepted in 2022, and Performing Arts applications will be accepted in 2023. Eligible artists may apply to the category they feel best represents their work.

For further details and information, including IAA Guidelines, please visit our website here.

Questions? Contact Program Directors Emily Sollenberger (emily.sollenberger@maryland.gov) or Laura Weiss (laura.weiss@maryland.gov) for assistance.

Deadline: Friday, July 24, 2020 at 11:59pm.

#### **Application Link**

# Downtown Partnership Seeks Flower Design Submissions for Temporary Public Art Project

The Downtown Partnership is excited to launch a new virtual art project for the community, where all ages and skill levels are encouraged to participate!

This fall, the five Main Street communities of Frederick County (Brunswick Main Street, Main Street Thurmont, Middletown Main Street, Town of New Market and Downtown Frederick Partnership) will be installing temporary public art sculptures in each of our downtowns. The sculptures will be composed of brightly glazed mosaic tile designs and will be in place for one year.

To help decorate our sculpture, we're looking for 60 community members to draw their own unique flower designs between now and June 20. Sculpture artist <a href="Parran Collery">Parran Collery</a> will then translate these designs into tiles and incorporate them in the final piece.

How you can help:

- 1. Share this Facebook post with your followers, encouraging them to design their own tile(s)
- 2. Design a tile of your own! Download the templates from downtownfrederick.org/artonmain

Thank you! Feel free to reach out to Leeann Crews at leeann@downtownfrederick.org if you have any questions about the project.

#### Do you have an idea for a public art project in Frederick?



If you have a project idea that you would like to see considered for FAC's annual plan, please fill out the nomination form linked below, and email to <a href="mailto:info@frederickartscouncil.org">info@frederickartscouncil.org</a> with "Public Art Nomination" in the subject line.

Feel free to get in touch with FAC for any questions.

Please refer to the <u>Public Art Master Plan</u> for information about the public art execution process as well as categories of art FAC is looking for.

**Public Art Nomination Form** 



#### **Coming Up at Sky Stage**



ATTENTION: Regrettably, Sky Stage is currently closed due to Covid-19 until further notice. We will reschedule performances and events to later in the season where possible. Stay tuned for further updates and be safe everyone!

#### Coming Up:

Virtual Dance Performance -- Dance & Poetry, Slant Light Poets & Lucid Beings, Friday June 19th, 7 pm

#### Frederick News Post Coverage of Event

#### More Info on June 19th Event:



Photo: Brooks Gray

<u>LucidBeings Dance</u> in collaboration with <u>Slant Light Poets</u> present:

Interior Monologues: LIVE Watch Party through Zoom
Friday, June 19, 2020, 7pm EST
Hosted in virtual space by Sky Stage Frederick
This performance is supported in part by the Frederick Arts
Council

Tickets: FREE, register to receive Zoom link on the morning of the event at <a href="https://www.lucidbeingsdance.com">www.lucidbeingsdance.com</a> or <a href="https://skystagefrederick.com">skystagefrederick.com</a>.

#### **Program Description:**

Gather with the artists of LucidBeings Dance and Slant Light Poets for a FREE virtual screening of their most recent collaboration, Interior Monologues! The performance features movement and poetry exploring the emotional resonance of our lived spaces fueled by the moments of introspection created in isolation. The watch party will feature a screening of the pre-recorded performance with an artist talk-back

immediately following.

Grab a glass of wine and join us on Zoom on Friday, June 19, 2020, at 7pm EST. A link to the Zoom event will be emailed to registered patrons the morning of the performance.

Follow Sky Stage on Facebook for updates

59 South Carroll Street skystagefrederick.com

**EVENTS:** Please check with all venues before visiting to identify whether they are open given current Pandemic-related closures.

#### **UPDATED: Active Arts Jobs in DC Metro Area**

FAC has put together a short list of active arts job postings in the Baltimore/DC Metro Area.

**Click here** to see the list with application links.

The Potters' Guild of Frederick -- Monthly Events



'Take a Turn At The Wheel' - Due to the current COVID-19 situation, in Maryland, we have postponed Turn At The Wheel classes until further notice. As Maryland begins its phased reopening we will notify everyone when classes will resume.

The Potters' Guild holds monthly General Membership meetings - Due to the current COVID-19 situation, in Maryland, we have postponed any of our in-person General meetings until further notice -- however, we have been holding online meetings via Zoom. As Maryland begins its phased re-opening we will notify everyone when the physical meetings will resume. Please visit the Potters' Guild website (<a href="www.pottersguildoffrederick.com">www.pottersguildoffrederick.com</a>) for details and explanation of scheduled activities.

The Potters' Guild offers gift certificates and accepts tax-deductible donations.

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Author: Jeff Kinney Genre: Children's Books

"I've never run into a person who yearns for their Middle School Days" - Jeff Kinney



Jeff Kinney was born (1971) and raised in Fort Washington, Maryland, graduated from Bishop McNamara High School, and attended the University of Maryland, College Park. It was in college that Kinney created a popular comic strip, Igdoof, which ran in the school newspaper. It was also in college that he knew he wanted to be a cartoonist. However, Jeff was not successful in getting his comic strip syndicated after college and in 1998 he came up with the idea for Diary of a Wimpy Kid, a story about a middle-school weakling named Greg Heffley. Jeff worked on the book for six years before publishing it online in daily installments on Funbrain.com. It was another two years before he felt comfortable showing it to a publisher.

The Diary of a Wimpy Kid, published in 2007, and became an immediate success. There are now fifteen books in the series, as well as four additional books: The Diary of a Wimpy Kid series has won regional and national awards including two Children's Choice Book Awards and six Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards for Favorite Book.

Since Jeff started as a cartoonist and most cartoons portray jokes, Jeff thinks in jokes and then writes the stories. He says, "I write in reverse. Rather than come up with a narrative and write jokes for that narrative, I write jokes independently of the narrative and then I try to fit them in."

In 1995, Jeff left the Washington, D.C., area and moved to New England. He lives with his wife and two sons in Massachusetts, where they own a bookstore, An Unlikely Story. Find out more about Jeff at his website: wimpykid.com.

Genre: Children's Books – Children's literature or juvenile literature includes stories, books, magazines, and poems made for children. Modern children's literature is classified in two different ways: genre or the intended age of the reader. Kinney writes for middle school (ages 11-13)

Sample Reading List: Dairy of a Wimpy Kid, Diary of a Wimpy Kid 2: Rodrick Rules, Diary of a Wimpy Kid 3: The Last Straw, The Wimpy Kid Do-It-Yourself Book, The Wimpy Kid Movie Diary,

Fun With Words - Maryland Writers' Association (MWA) invites you to have fun writing children's literature for middle school kids. Using a 100 words select a middle school aged protagonist and write about an issue they might have to deal with. Submit your Fun With Words response to <a href="https://marylandwriters.org/Notable\_Maryland\_Authors">https://marylandwriters.org/Notable\_Maryland\_Authors</a> by the 20th of the month and receive an MWA Fun With Words submission certificate. Selected responses will be published with next month's article.

The MWA is a 31-year old state-wide association (501c3) dedicated to encouraging and mentoring Maryland writers, poets, playwrights, and authors. Go to <a href="https://www.MarylandWriters.org">www.MarylandWriters.org</a> for more info.

#### marylandwriters.org

#### **Theater**



\*\*THE WEINBERG CENTER REMAINS CLOSED. VISIT WEINBERGCENTER.ORG FOR MORE INFO\*\*





Click to Register Online!



Saturday, 6/20 @ 8:30 pm: Show Link



Friday, 6/26 @ 8 pm: Show Link

marylandensemble.org

#### **Visual Art Exhibits**



Polka Dot Fundraiser We've remade the <u>annual gala</u> into an online giving opportunity this year!

Summer Classes for Teens & Adults
We're enrolling now! Check out our <u>classes and workshop listings</u>

Summer Camps for Kids & Teens
July and August are filled with creative art adventures! Registration is open!

**Art Experiences** 

Register now for the free Hip Hop Lecture Series: Mass Incarceration Zoom Webinar on

June 11!

Artobus: Join us for our bus trip to the National Museum of Women and the Arts on October

See what other great programs are <u>coming up</u> at the Delaplaine!

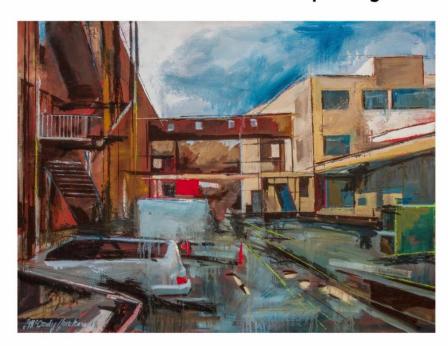
For Kids & Families
Kids ages 6-8 and 9-12 can participate in our monthly Helen Smith Free Workshops
Join us for Creative Outlet every First Saturday!

delaplaine.org

### **DISTRICT Arts**

Contemporary Art in the Historic District

#### Hello Frederick! We are open again!



"Parkdale" by Susan McCurdy Yonkers

The works of 36 local, regional and national artists are on display!

#### Open Wed.-Sun. at noon each day

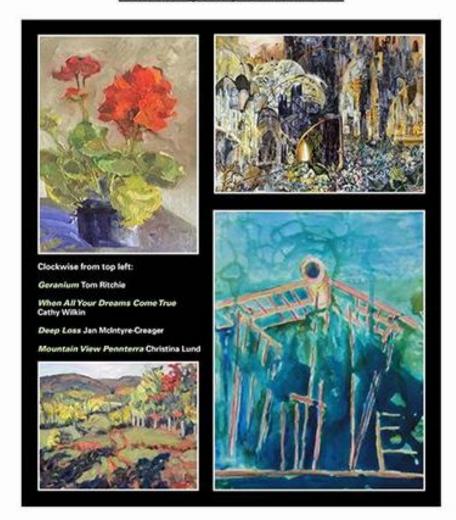
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#### June 2020

Selections from our new online show theartistsgalleryfrederick.com



TAG is on the move! The group is in the process of securing a new space to display the work of its members. Though we can't visit in person, TAG has created an online gallery that will be updated the first Friday of each month.

Please visit our website theartistsgalleryfrederick.com for all our latest news.

> TAG/The Artists Gallery tagfrederick@gmail.com

theartistsgalleryfrederick.com



#### Restart the Art .....

Gallery 322 will reopen on Friday, May 22 at 5pm, with transition hours: Friday 5-7pm; Saturday and Sunday 1-5pm, and of course, open by appointment

The gallery is limited to six visitors at any given time and masks need to be worn as required by Frederick County COVID-19 restrictions.

Gallery322.com gallery322@gmail.com 240-815-7777



gallery322.com



June Exhibition



# A Room of Their Own

# Celebrating **Women Artists**

#### **June 2020**

Karin Birch
Caitlin Gill
Kesra Hoffman
Judith Kornett
Caroline Mayer
Phyllis Mayes
Andrea McCluskey
Anne Quinlan
Virginia Sperry
Lisa Tayerle
Linda Van Hart
Deborah Winram
Harriet Wise

nomagalleryfrederick.com

Friday, June 5 - Sunday, June 28, 2020

NOMA gallery has reopened. We will have a limit of five visitors to the gallery at any given time, until government restrictions regarding COVID-19 are lifted.

427 N. Market St. | Friday 4-8 pm, Saturday 12-8 pm, Sundays 12-4 pm | 240-367-9770 nomagalleryfrederick.com | nomagallery2@gmail.com



# "Birds of a Feather & Things of that Nature" A Show by Michalina Eisenberg East-Side Artists' Gallery June 6th - June 30th Open Sat. - Sun. 1pm - 5pm

#### **GWC Gallery**

Two floors of Fine Art, Photography and Crafts



Location:328 East Patrick Street, Frederick MD 21701 Hours: Tuesday through Saturday—10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Tel: 301-639-6657 Email: condon@msn.com Website: gwc-artwork.com

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Develop, practice and improve your figure drawing skills. Held weekly at the Griffin Art Center, 437 N. Market St.

(The sign out front sez NOMA Gallery; the studio is located a few rooms behind the gallery. Enter through the front if it's open or around on the 5th Street side through the door marked 4W)

#### Fridays, 6-9 pm • \$15

Mostly nudes, occasional costume. Different professional model every week. Bring your supplies (pencil, paper, paints, charcoals, pastels, tablet, wine, etc. We have easels.)

Run by artists, for artists

Moderated by Gnarly Artly: gnarlyartly@gmail.com 240-529-7814 on Facebook at Frederick Figure Drawing, natch!

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How to submit to the newsletter: Members, please send your information and/or graphics to <a href="info@frederickartscouncil.org">info@frederickartscouncil.org</a> by Monday of the week the next issue is scheduled to come out. Please include "Newsletter submission" in the subject line. *Do not reply to the newsletter*. This helps ensure that we are able to clearly identify and mark your information for inclusion in the next issue. Thank you!

Download the 2020 Newsletter Schedule

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