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.

FAC's Public Art & Community Arts Development Committees Meet

Committees for two Frederick Arts Council programs have been meeting in recent days: the Community Arts Development grant program and Public Art.

The Community Arts Development (CAD) committee met yesterday to divide grant funding among 19 local organization applicants. Heading up that committee is longtime member Griff Garwood, with FAC board members Ted Luck and Ted Robinson as liaisons. Final recommendations for CAD funding will be passed at next week's FAC board meeting.

Public Art Workplan committees have been meeting regarding two upcoming public art projects: a mural at 69 South Market Street, and an archway at South Maple Avenue in Brunswick.
After reviewing proposals for the mural, the committee has arrived at two finalists (from an original 60 applications received). Meetings with the Public Art Commission and Historical Preservation will follow and targeted installation is before December. This mural will catalyze a series of rotating murals and will be up for 3 years time.

The archway located at the entrance to Brunswick's South Maple Avenue will welcome train commuters, C&O Canal towpath hikers and cyclists. The committee has narrowed 70 + applications down to 5 finalists. Final proposals will be submitted by October 20th and presented to the The Public Art Workplan Committee the following week.
The inaugural exhibit is up at FAC's 5 E. 2nd Street center, but soon to come online will be a studio/maker space for community members & artists.

FAC recently visited Second Chance Garage in Baltimore to scout for furnishings for the space -- check out the drawing table we scored!
A reminder that the art center is now open to the public -- if you haven't already, take a minute to stop by! Hours below.

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**Limited-Edition Items in the FAC Shop!**

We have a few limited-edition items in our FAC Shop at 5 E. 2nd Street that make great gifts for now or for the holidays (of course, you may not want to give them away...). Take a look below!
16x24" print of Gera Lozano's 'Healing Bouquet' -- $40 ($60 framed). Printed on archival paper by master printer Ramon Cardenas.

Mug featuring "Healing Bouquet" -- $24.
Canvas tote bags -- $26. These feature our new logo (reverse side) and a photo from the recent public art project 'Golden Mile in Focus' (taken by local artist Jordan Miller).

FAC Masks -- $20.

All profits support FAC programs. Help us advance the arts!

Frederick Arts Council Member Spotlights

Uniquely Vetty Artistry
Interview with Yvette Cousar, owner

Summary of work: I consider myself to be a jewelry artist. My passion for jewelry making came in the 1990s after taking up scrapbooking as a hobby. I began to use wire and beads in my scrapbook pages. Later, when shopping for some jewelry to wear to a wedding, it dawned on me that I could create a much more unique jewelry set on my own. I got some beads, wire, basic tools and a book and began to teach myself the skills. Many hours of wrapping, weaving, knotting, hammering, shows and years later, I am still at it!

I love using contrasting colors and various jewelry techniques in my work. I combine weaving, wrapping, twisting, macrame and crochet in my wire and corded jewelry designs. I use minimal machinery and mostly hand formed pieces. No two pieces are exactly alike. I think trendy but also incorporate uniqueness to create eye-popping styles for an array of budgets. Custom work is my specialty. I also make wire holiday ornaments.

Favorite Artist: My favorite artist is Mike Bradford. I really love the way he just takes paper and makes eye popping designs that are mind blowing.

Fun fact: Unlike most people, I really love anchovies but I absolutely hate all kinds of chocolate. Also, I served 22 years in the United States Air Force and served 5 of those years in the United Kingdom.

Contact: https://www.uniquelyvettyartistry.com/
Sky Stage is open, under limited capacity and with COVID-19 protocols in place. Bring your masks and make use of our hand sanitizer!

**COMING UP:**

Friday, October 9th @ 7 pm: **Open Mic Night with F.A.M.E.**

Looking for a place to stretch your wings and share your musical talent? Come to Sky Stage for Open Mic Night hosted by FAME (Frederick Acoustic Music Enterprise).

Whether you are a pro or a novice, this is a welcoming environment for you to collaborate, build your skills, and get to know other local artists.

To participate: Sign information on FAME's page here: [https://www.facebook.com/pg/FrederickAcousticFAME/](https://www.facebook.com/pg/FrederickAcousticFAME/)

Tuesday, October 13th @ 6 pm: **Yoga with Yogamour**

Good Will Yoga for only $10 at Sky Stage! This class is for ALL levels! **Enrollment limited in accordance with coronavirus social-distancing protocols; please register at [yogamour.org](http://yogamour.org).**

Wednesday, October 14th @ 7:30 pm: **Literature, Poetry, Open Mic**
Come out and support your local beat poet at Frederick's safest venue - strictly masked and socially distanced, plus the lack of roof and windows allows the breeze to blow away harmful vapors, germs and viruses!

Award-winning beat poet RODERICK DEACEY presents his annual Beat Poetry show with the help of the DC Beats - drummer/percussionist/train-whistler RON GOAD and upright electric bass player JOHN WERNTZ. Opening the program will be outstanding regional poet, LUTHER JETT, reading from his new book, out in November.

We know you have been unable to earn many Culture Points this year - here's your chance to accumulate a bunch! This is an opportunity to have a good time without getting closer than six feet to anybody! If you really can't make it in person, the evening will be live-streamed; here's the link: [https://www.facebook.com/SkyStageFAC/live](https://www.facebook.com/SkyStageFAC/live)

Saturday, October 17th @ 8 pm: **Concert: The Xiles with The Fun Boys**

The Xiles combine the raw aggression of early punk with catchy and melodic delivery. They produce upbeat punk rock songs interwoven with social mindedness and satirical jabs at themselves. They performed at Sky Stage in 2019 as part of the Exploring Frederick's Underground series, 3rd Saturdays of Summer.

The Fun Boys serve up charming, catchy and swinging indie rock. They played the Downtown Frederick Partnership’s Alive@Five Thursday happy hour concert series and New Spire Stages both in 2019.

Tuesday, October 20th @ 6 pm: **Yoga with Yogamour**

Good Will Yoga for only $10 at Sky Stage! This class is for ALL levels! **Enrollment limited in accordance with coronavirus social-distancing protocols; please register at yogamour.org.**

Wednesday, October 21st @ 7 pm: **Salsa Under the Stars**

Salsa night is back--with modifications! Registration will be limited; you must pre-register with Frederick Salsa, and come with your own (also pre-registered) dance partner.

Do you want to learn salsa dancing and dance the night away? Join Frederick Salsa instructor, Silvia Yacoubian under the stars at Sky Stage as she teaches you about Hispanic culture through dance. Suggested donation of $5 benefits Frederick Salsa.
Friday, October 23rd @ 7 pm: **Comedy Under the Stars**

A Knight of Comedy is back (for now) with a great lineup of some of the DMV's finest! Come join us on October 23rd at the beautiful Sky Stage in Frederick MD for a socially distanced outdoor comedy show!

Snacks, Beer, Wine, Hot Cocoa will be sold and you are welcome to bring outside food!

Limited capacity to follow social distancing guidelines. Tickets at Eventbrite.

[Eventbrite Link](skystagefrederick.com)

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**City of Frederick Offers New COVID-19 Relief Grant**

A new COVID-19 Relief Grant from the City of Frederick will provide grants to nonprofit and other non-governmental civic organizations whose mission is to provide support to children who are 18 or younger and /or served by Frederick County Public Schools. Funds appropriated will be used to promote the general welfare of children who reside in the City. Grants awards will not exceed $10,000.00 each and may be awarded to an organization only one time.

[Application Link](application_link)
2021 Heritage Award Nominations Now Open
due October 15th

The Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC) is pleased to announce that nominations are open for 2021 Maryland Heritage Awards. The public is invited to nominate individuals, places, and traditions for outstanding achievement in traditional arts and culture. Awards are $5,000 each. Three winners will be selected and honored at a public ceremony. Nominations are due Thursday, October 15, at 5 p.m. Begin a nomination using MSAC's application system, SmartSimple. Log in to SmartSimple or create a free account here.

Awards are given based on a nominee's sustained commitment to a particular traditional practice, current importance to communities in which that traditional practice is significant, and past contributions to that traditional practice. Each year, winners are chosen in the categories of Person or People, Place, and Tradition. Read the Heritage Awards guidelines and evaluation criteria here.

Maryland Traditions, the traditional arts program of MSAC, has given Heritage Awards annually since 2007. See a list of past winners here.

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 info@frederickartscouncil.org with "Public Art Nomination" in the subject line.

Feel free to get in touch with FAC for any questions. Please refer to the Public Art Master Plan for information about the public art execution process as well as categories of art FAC is looking for.

Public Art Nomination Form
‘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 continues its phased re-opening 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 continues its phased re-opening we will notify everyone when the physical meetings will resume. Please visit the Potters’ Guild website (www.pottersguildoffrederick.com) for details and explanation of scheduled activities.

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

pottersguildoffrederick.com

Due to the restrictions placed on singing in person and in large groups, the Frederick Children's Chorus has shifted from our traditional, in-person curriculum and has designed a new and virtual format for this season to benefit all our dedicated singers, and those who are not local to Frederick, Maryland.

We remain true to our mission of bringing children together for the joyful exploration of
The 2020-2021 season focuses strongly on individual and small group lessons tailored to fit the needs of every singer. Sight-singing, theory, duo/trio, solo vocal work and socially distanced, outdoor sing-alongs are all within the schedule. Supplemental offerings such as dance and videography are available. Programs begin at age 3 with the Little Music Makers and continue to age 18.

fredcc.org

Video: Claire McCardell Project "Inspired by Claire" Virtual Exhibit
Check out this video from The Claire MCardell Project featuring Frederick Art Club artists and their work "Inspired by Claire!"

The exhibit had to go virtual due to COVID-19 restrictions, but was originally slated to be a collaboration with Heritage Frederick and Hood College.

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Maryland Writers Association

Encouraging Maryland writers, poets, playwrights, and authors for 30 years

Author: Alma Katsu
Genre: Reimagined Horror

“The world is often a horrid place and women know this.” — Alma Katsu

Alma Katsu was born in Alaska, but spent the majority of her youth living near Concord, Massachusetts, to which she attributes her interest in the early American history featured in her novels. She earned a Bachelor's Degree from Brandeis University and a Masters in Fiction at Johns Hopkins University. Katsu has worked for three decades for the US federal government, flourishing in several positions dealing with intelligence, foreign policy, and technology.

When asked why she writes horror she said, “Well, life is horrible. The vast majority of my time in intelligence was spent working with humanitarian disasters, and that includes genocides and mass atrocities. It exposes you to the fact that people can do really horrible, horrible things. And as a result, maybe I have this dark outlook on life by which conventional horror writing and filmmaking kind of pales, actually.”

In her writing, Katsu melds the historical with the supernatural, delivering vivid stories which feel so deeply rooted in possibility that the terrors sink deep in the reader’s psyche.

Her most well-known works include those in the Taker Trilogy, following a woman whose gift of immortality starts to feel like a Faustian punishment after the sins of her past start to catch up with her. The Hunger, published in 2018, is described by the Master of Horror Stephen King as being, “deeply, disturbing.” The novel follows the historically notorious Donner Party, threatening the travelers on the ill-fated journey with an evil that may go beyond the madness of human desperation. Her newest novel, The Deep, centers around a haunting story amidst the historical disasters of the Titanic and its sister ship the Britannic.

The Hunger made NPR’s list of the 100 Best Horror Stories, was named one of the best novels of 2018 by the Barnes, and was nominated for a Stoker and Locus Award for best horror novel. It also won the Western Heritage Award for Best Novel. The Taker was named a Top Ten Debut Novel of 2011 by Booklist, was nominated for a Goodreads Readers Choice award, and has been published in over 10 languages. It is the first in an award-winning trilogy that includes The Reckoning and The Descent.

Ms. Katsu lives outside of Washington, DC., with her husband, musician Bruce Katsu. In addition to her novels, she has been a signature reviewer for Publishers Weekly, and a contributor to the Huffington Post. Learn more at https://www.almakatsubooks.com/about

Genre: Reimagined Horror - Horror is intended to, or has the capacity to frighten, scare, disgust, or startle its readers or viewers by inducing feelings of horror and terror. It creates an eerie and frightening atmosphere. Horror is frequently supernatural, though it can be non-supernatural. This genre reimagines actual events and introduces a horror element to them.


marylandwriters.org
For four evenings in November, MTPA's StageOne @ Park Place will be transformed by Orange Grove Dance ("OGD") into a live, site-specific, socially-distanced performance, Still Standing, featuring a vivid light installation that gently reflects the adjacent Annapolis National Cemetery. With the audience viewing from MTPA's Veterans Overlook, OGD will bring their trademark virtuosic athleticism and the alluring music of Composer Dylan Glatthorn to this surreal luminescent landscape designed by acclaimed Lighting Designer Peter Leibold.

More Info & Tickets
upcoming events, visit weinbergcenter.org.

Click Here to Register!

marylandensemble.org
It is with a heavy heart that The Fredericktowne Players have made the difficult decision to postpone the Fall 2020 production of Pippin. Although we are saddened by this, we are very happy to share that Pippin will be a part of our 2021-2022 season. We look forward to sharing the stage with you soon!

ftptheater.com

Visual Art Exhibits

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FIRST SATURDAY, OCT 3
Exhibition Openings | On-site & online | FREE
Art Matters Artist Talk | 2 pm | On-site & online | FREE
Regional woodturners discuss their tree-inspired artworks on view within the Tree Spirits exhibition. Register for the webinar or watch on YouTube.
Delaplaine at Home: Creative Outlet | YouTube | FREE
Create found-object owls to celebrate Renaissance artist Albrecht Durer!

MUSINGS ON ART LECTURE SERIES
Thursdays, OCT 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 | Debut at 2 pm | YouTube | FREE
Join Dave Moreland, FCC Professor Emeritus of Art, for Aesthetics and the Human Experience, an online series introducing basic concepts related to the visual arts and how they intermingle across time, cultures, and media.

FALL CLASSES & WORKSHOPS
A variety of classes begin in October and November, including:
Fundamentals of Art • Drawing the Head • The Art of Caricature
Basic Drawing • Experimental Drawing • Drawing from the Masters
Figure Painting in Oil • Painting the Self-Portrait
Exploring iPhone Photography • Intro to Digital Photography
How to Sharpen Your Woodworking Tools

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Small watercolor paintings from the travels of
Margaret Huddy

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districtarts.com
Selections from TAG’s new online show. Sept 2020

Art is the best cure.

While we are in transition and without a physical gallery, please visit our virtual exhibition of members’ artwork updated the first Friday of each month.

For our latest news and updates on our quest for a new gallery space visit our website:
theartistsgalleryfrederick.com

theartistsgalleryfrederick.com
October Exhibition

Ann Schaefer • Anne Gibson-Snyder
Homer Yost • Jan Kaufman
Linda Kirvan • Russ Schofield
Michael Douglas Jones
Associate: Leo Ramos, Tom Ritchie, Roberta Staat

322 North Market Street, Frederick, MD 21701

Friday 5-7pm; Saturday & Sunday 1-5pm
and of course, open by appointment.

Gallery322.com
October 2 - November 1, 2020

"Life and Limb" can refer to a threat with dire consequences, but this exhibit's focus is on LIFE as growth and renewal, and the LIMBs to the limbs of a tree representing strength, wisdom, and our deep connection to nature.

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Download the 2020 Newsletter Schedule
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