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.

City of Frederick and Maryland DHCD Fund Sprinkler System for 5 E 2nd Street Art Center
L to R: Gabriella Smith, FAC Director of Operations; Richard Griffin, City of Frederick Director of Economic Development; Frederick City Mayor Michael O'Connor; FAC Treasurer Terri Almacy; FAC Executive Director Louise Kennelly; Nicole Ringel, FAC Public Art Program Manager

Big thanks to the City of Frederick and Maryland’s DHCD program for a $125,000 grant towards the installation of a sprinkler system at the FAC Art Center at 5 E 2nd Street.

We are so appreciative of their support as we continue updates to this incredible community resource.

FAC Attends Maryland Arts Day

Maryland Arts Day brought hundreds of Maryland artists and arts organizations
together to celebrate and advocate for the arts on February 17th. The virtual program featured a keynote from Quanice Floyd, Executive Director of the National Guild of Community Arts Education.

### Important Facts & Figures

**Benefits of the Maryland Arts Sector:**

- $830 million in Maryland Economic Impact
- 10,624 full-time equivalent jobs supported
- 6.5 million yearly attendees to events, classes, and workshops
- $2 return for every dollar MSAC gives to grantees
- **Empowers** creative communities and provides access to arts programming throughout Maryland

$830,000,000 in Maryland economic impact, 10,000

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**Highlights from February First Saturday: Fire in Ice**

Opening of The Associates Show at TAG
Projection artist Lori Herbert with ice sculpture designed by Robert Strasser at 5 E 2nd Street art center

NOMA Gallery opening of Thomas Sterner & Annie Quinlan: "Everything is Connected"

Applications Open for Frederick Festival of the Arts 2022
Applications are now open on the ZAPP portal for 2022 Festival artists. This year's Festival will be held on Saturday June 11th and Sunday June 12th. 

[Click Here for More Info & To Apply]

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**Creative Lab Now Open on 3rd Floor of 5 E. 2nd Street Art Center**

We invite all FAC Members and creatively inclined friends in the community to come visit our new Creative Lab!

Located on the 3rd floor of the 5 E. 2nd Street art center, the Creative Lab invites artists and creatives to utilize the space filled with drawing tables, easels, armchairs, an art library, artist editions and monographs, and more along the balcony. The space is laptop-friendly as well with available outlets & free wifi.

**Art Center Hours:**

- Mon-Thurs 10-5
- Fri 11-4
- Sat-Sun 11-5
A number of exhibitions continue on display at FAC's gallery spaces. Be sure to check them out in the coming weeks:

5 E. 2nd Street, 2nd floor: **Creative Gateways: Expressing Frederick's Unique Identity**
Roundabouts and Gateways pose an opportunity to transform important and highly visible areas into distinct zones that facilitate unique and memorable experiences. This exhibition brings together the creative vision of over 20 individual artists who have contemplated the potential of these zones to activate the county’s distinct cultural, historical, and ecological identity.

5 E. 2nd Street, 1st Floor: **Flat File Exhibition**
The FAC Holiday Showcase Flat File Exhibition offers visitors the unique opportunity to browse the affordable art work of 15 local artists. The exhibit is currently on display on the first floor of the FAC art center at 5 E. 2nd Street. Featuring original works priced under $350, the Flat File Exhibition presents a unique opportunity to support local artists. See inventory and purchase a piece [here](#).

11 W. Patrick Street: **Hood College Graduate Ceramics Showcase**
FAC's contemporary gallery at 11 W Patrick Street is currently housing an exhibition featuring the work of faculty and students from Hood College's graduate ceramics program. The exhibit will be on view throughout Winter 2021-2022. [Artist Bios & More Info](#)

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**Support the FAC by "Voting" for our Carroll Creek Boat!**
The Sailing Through the Winter Solstice boats are back, which means it's once again time to help your favorite win the race!

Each boat is racing on behalf of a local nonprofit, and we'd be honored if you'd help our own Arctic Racer win. Votes for each boat are tallied after March 4th -- we win one vote for every contributed dollar!

FAC's Arctic Racer boat (pictured above) is sponsored by the Ausherman Family Foundation.

Our members have boats in the race as well:

"Handel It," The Frederick Children's Chorus (sponsored by KH Sales and Consulting)

"Reel Fun," Heartly House (sponsored by DeLong Stang CPAs and Advisors)

"Mystere," AARCH (sponsored by Visit Frederick)

Feel free to show them some love & support!

Cast Your Votes Here

Endangered Species (theatre) Project Hosting Open Call for Original 1-Minute Plays

Endangered Species Theatre is hosting an open call for original 1-minute plays. The winners will be announced Saturday, March 5th. Selected plays will be performed alongside a lineup of Improv performances on Saturday, April 22nd. For further information regarding the competition, head to 5 E. 2nd Street on Saturday after 5 p.m. or visit www.esptheatre.org.
FAC Calendar Open to Member Event Submissions

FAC Members are invited to submit their events to the FAC website calendar. Visit the FAC Calendar page and click "submit an event" on the right. Use the email address associated with your membership account to begin or to reset your password.

Not a member? Join now!

Please reach out to info@frederickartscouncil.org with questions.

Independent Artist Award Winners Announced

MSAC has announced that $264,000 has been awarded to 69 Maryland artists through the 2022 Independent Artist Awards (IAA). With this year’s awards focused on the literary arts, the 2022 awardees represent a wide range of artistic talents - ranging from poets to playwrights, novelists to essayists - from all across the...
"I am very proud of these 69 awardees who represent the many individual artists whose hard work enhances the quality of life for all the people of Maryland," said First Lady Yumi Hogan. "I want to congratulate all the awardees and thank them for their incredible contributions to our state. Their work helps uplift Maryland’s communities and reminds us that self-expression is a powerful tool that can help unite us and understand one another."

In addition to the recognition, awardees receive grants to support their continued artistic growth. Regional grants of $2,000 will be awarded to 57 artists to recognize promise, and 12 artists will receive an award of $10,000 to recognize notable artistic achievement. Two state awardees, chosen from the $10,000 regional winners, were also named: Susan B. Muaddi Darraj of Baltimore County and Teri Ellen Cross Davis of Montgomery County will receive an additional award of $15,000 to recognize outstanding artistic achievement.

"The phenomenal artists being recognized this year are representative of the breadth and depth of the literary arts in Maryland," added MSAC Executive Director Steven Skerritt-Davis. "MSAC is thrilled to showcase the work of these accomplished artists, including poets, essayists, graphic novelists, children’s writers, playwrights, screenwriters, and fiction and nonfiction writers."

This year’s awardees were chosen from a pool of nearly 300 applicants through a public panel process. MSAC worked with a multi-disciplinary panel made up of a wide range of literary expertise from across the state to review and evaluate each eligible application. Panelists received training on the IAA program, including scoring using a published rubric and implicit bias in the panel process.

Panelists reviewed all eligible applications, which included 163 from the Baltimore Metro region, 94 from the Washington Metro region, and 32 from the Eastern, Southern, and Western regions. Panelists then recommended 84 applications to move forward to the public Regional Panel Meetings for further review. From here, the 69 awardees were recommended for regional awards. IAA recipients represent a total of 15 Maryland jurisdictions.

MSAC will feature the work of this year’s recipients through its social media platforms later this year.

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*Thanks to all who came out for Sky Stage's 2021 Season!*

We look forward to seeing you next year!

[skystagefrederick.com](http://skystagefrederick.com)
The Y Arts Center at 115 E. Church Street invites you to drop by every Wednesday at noon for a salon & brown bag lunch! This hour each week will be dedicated to connecting with others and sharing ideas and visions for Frederick. Hosted by Alan Feinberg and the Carroll Street Creative District.
In Honor of a True Arts Lover
Donation made to the Weinberg Center of the Arts
On Thursday February 3, 2022, the owner and director of 24/7 Dance Studio, Gina Korrell, met with The Weinberg Center Executive Theater Manager John Healy at The Weinberg Center for the Arts. The visit was to present The Weinberg Center with a $10,000 donation.

Gina Korrell has owned and operated 24/7 Dance Studio for 20 years. Her mother, Cinda Spurrier, was very involved in the arts in Frederick County for most of her life. Cinda Spurrier passed away last fall after a battle with lung cancer. To honor her legacy, it was only natural to raise funds in her honor that supports the arts in Frederick County.

As 24/7 Dance Studio celebrates 20 years they are very excited to have their 20th Anniversary Recital at The Weinberg. “We are so excited to be able to provide this donation to The Weinberg so they could get lights and mics they needed. Everyone who uses the Weinberg Center will benefit from these additions and we could not be happier to give back to our wonderful community,” said Gina Korrell.

John Healey, Executive Theater Manager of The Weinberg Center said, “Thanks to 24/7’s generous contribution, the Weinberg Center for the Arts will provide state of the art light and sound opportunities for Frederick based performance companies using the Weinberg stage, especially in the genres of dance and theater, for years to come.”

Gina Korrell would like to thank her 24/7 families, friends and a generous community for their donations.

24-7dancestudio.com
The Potters' Guild of Frederick: Monthly Events

'Take a Turn At The Wheel'

We’re back and running classes again so if you have ever wanted to make something on a potter's wheel? We are offering a fun 3-hour introductory class called "Take a Turn at the Wheel"! Clay, wheels, and tools are is provided, and we’ll glaze your creations with a color (from our selection of glazes) of your choice. Meet new friends in a creative environment! Sign up with friends or bring your team! Class size is limited to 4 people per class and is held on the 2nd Saturday of each month, 6-9 pm. Students must be at least 13 years old.

Classes are held at 12342 Warner Rd, Ladiesburg, MD

The Potters' Guild holds monthly General Membership meetings - Due to the current COVID-19 situation, we have postponed our in-person General meetings until further notice. As Maryland begins its phased re-opening we will notify everyone when in-person meeting will resume. Currently, meetings are being held virtually, via Zoom. If you are interested in joining us for a meeting please email us at info@pottersguildoffrederick.com to request an invite. Please visit the Potters' Guild website (www.pottersguildoffrederick.com) for details and explanation of scheduled activities.

**Gallery Hours:**
- Thursday 11am – 5pm
- Friday 11am – 5pm
- Saturday 10am – 8pm
- Sunday 12pm – 5pm
Events at The Cellar Door
5 E. Church Street

Frederick's Top New Artists at The Cellar Door Live

Snapback Smith Einunnaki G.B.E.

Wednesdays in February 7th
9-10 PM

Every Tuesday
Comedy Open Mic
Cellar Door

Message to get up earlier or sign up on site to go late

Every Tuesday comic call at 7:30 show at 8 PM
**Cellar Door Restaurant**

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I love the spilling of ink from head to heart to page.” - Mary Amato

Mary Amato is an award-winning children's and YA book author, poet, playwright, and songwriter. Her books have been translated into foreign languages, optioned for television, and produced onstage. She is the recipient of the William G. Wilson Maryland Author Award from the Maryland Library Association. Her work has also won children's choice awards in Ohio, Minnesota, Utah, and Arizona.

Mary started writing at the age of seven when they took a trip to California and her mother gave her a notebook and encouraged her to keep a journal. She discovered how enjoyable it was to record something in a journal and then be able to read it later. Her favorite books as a child were Harriet the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh because Harriet was a terrific journal keeper and Little Women by Louisa May Alcott. She still has that journal.

A renaissance woman, Mary studied special education and dance at Indiana University and completed a Masters at Johns Hopkins University with a focus on fiction writing and poetry. This smorgasboard of artistic interests percolates through her work. Mary's children's fiction includes over twenty published works, a new series launched this year, and a new picture book in 2022. She also writes personal essays for newspapers and magazines, composes poetry and songs, and sings. As co-founder of Firefly Shadow Theater, she writes plays, stories, and scripts for shows that range in size and scope and that are sometimes pure entertainment and sometimes educational.

To remain productive and reduce burn out, Mary balances each day with a mix of “seat-in-chair” writing, singing, and teaching. "I mix up the day so that one creative pursuit feeds the other. I get and give more energy this way." A typical day would start with a four hour writing block, followed by a "plot walk" (walking with a notebook in hand to generate ideas), followed by a brief singing session, and capped off with one of her online writing classes. The highlight of her week is every Friday from 1:00-1:30 PM EST when she offers an online writing session for adults writers of all genres.

"I love sharing my discoveries, trials, and triumphs with other writers.” Mary especially loves showing kids they can create stories and explains it using her "WOW" formula. A character who Warts something, overcomes an Obstacle in the way, in order to Win what they wanted.

Mary, who lives in Hyattsville, MD, is in demand for school presentations and retreats on writing and the creative process as well as teaches popular online workshops. Find out more at www.maryamato.com.

Genre: Children’s Fiction - Literature written for and about children (1-18) that includes, Picture Books, Early Readers, Chapter Books, Middle-Grade Novels, and Young Adult books.

marylandwriters.org

Concerts

Upcoming Concerts from the National String Symphonia
FOCUS - Jazz (with strings attached)
featuring saxophonist Howard Burns

Sunday, March 27, 2022
4:00 p.m.
New Spire Arts
15 W Patrick St.
Frederick, MD 21701

To purchase tickets:  http://www.nssorchestra.org/concert.php?concertblock=17

Hindemith - The Four Temperaments
featuring pianist Bob Boguslaw
April/May 2022

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featuring pianist Bob Boguslaw

Sunday, April 24, 2022
4:00 p.m.
New Spire Arts
15 W Patrick St.
Frederick, MD 21701

To purchase tickets:  http://www.nssorchestra.org/concert.php?concertblock=18

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Armed with 2 careers worth of stories and more hits than they can fit! Learn More

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SAT MARCH 5, 2022 | 7:00 PM
Just in time for St. Patrick’s Day experience the brilliant energy of Irish dance with cutting edge choreography. Learn More

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Yasmin Williams
THU MARCH 10, 2022 | 7:30 PM
A bold acoustic innovator, who reinvents the guitar with a dazzling array of two-handed techniques, bowing, and percussion effects. Learn More

Latshaw Productions Inc.
AMERICA 50th Anniversary
SAT MARCH 12, 2022 | 7:30 PM
The perennial classic-rock favorite is continuing to celebrate its 50th Anniversary with their powerful performances. Learn More

For more information & events, visit weinbergcenter.org.
Delaplaine Arts Center Satellite Gallery exhibit, in partnership with Frederick County Public Libraries:

Light in the Darkness
Janet Seifert
January 3, 2022 to March 27, 2022
Brunswick Branch Library, 915 N. Maple Ave., Brunswick MD 21716

April 2, 2022 to June 26, 2022
Urbana Regional Library, 9020 Amelung St., Frederick MD 21704

Light in the Darkness  Janet Seifert
Most of the paintings in this exhibit were created during the 2020 pandemic. My concept was to create images using luminous light as a metaphor for the hope, strength and resilience needed to shine through such a dark time in our lives.

Using the Renaissance painting technique known as “ chiaroscuro,” forms are defined by diffused but radiant light from the depths of the background. The illumination emanates from an unseen mysterious source, creating an ethereal, otherworldly quality and revealing images that are seemingly discernible yet not quite definable.

The idea for the paintings first evolved while experimenting with digital, closeup snapshots of tiny holiday lights and sunlit-infused objects. Using the photos as inspiration and a point of departure, I refined them into painted images. My hope was to create serene, luminous moments frozen in time.

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“Spring Fling”

DISTRICT Arts is pleased to present “Spring Fling” an independently juried exhibition. Spring celebrates Awakening, Renewal and Regeneration. It could also mean Spring Rolls, Boxsprings, Spring Showers or Pasta Primavera.

Whatever Spring means to you in your art is of interest to us. Call details and a link to the submission form will be available on our website January 20, 2022.

Entries must be received by end of day March 21, 2022.

Details and prospectus will be available at:
https://www.districtarts.com/spring-fling-call

15 N. Market St Frederick, MD

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Sunday: 12 - 5

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Judge: Matt Kios

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Lissa Abrams, and Karen Winston-Levin

322 North Market Street, Frederick, MD 21701

Friday 4-7pm; Saturday & Sunday 12-5pm
and of course, open by appointment.

Gallery322.com
Annie Quinlan and Thomas Sterner will be exhibiting individual and collaborative pieces in their show entitled ‘Everything is Connected’, February 4th through February 27th, 2022 at NOMA Gallery, 437 N. Market Street, Frederick. The opening reception is Saturday February 5th from 5pm to 8pm and an artist talk on 3rd Thursday 2/17/22 at 7pm.

This exhibit explores the relationships and interdependence of all things. Both artists are influenced by nature and their connection to it. Quinlan investigates spiritual connections, with mantras in her underpainting, implied memories and transcendence. Sterner’s thought driven works juxtapose title and imagery to encourage the viewer to contemplate and smile.

437 N. Market Street | Friday & Saturday Noon-8pm | Sunday: Noon-4pm

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Show runs through February 27.

For more information go to Frederickuu.org homepage.
Tap “Visit” then Tap “Art Gallery.”

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