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Y E A R S  
OF ADVANCING THE ARTS

## 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 Attends Maryland Arts Day



The Frederick Arts Council hosted a field trip advocating for the Arts in Annapolis last week attending Maryland Citizens for the Arts annual Maryland Arts Day event. Thanks to all who attended and shared the importance of the arts with the delegation.



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## FAC and Flying Cows Announce Jersey Contest Winner

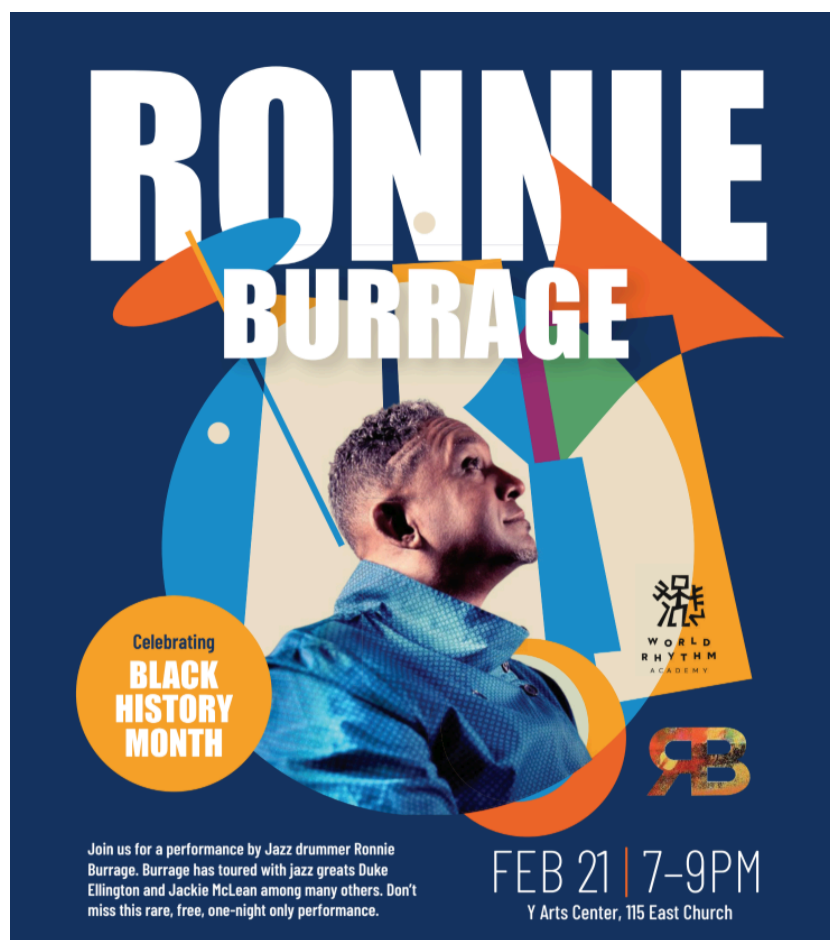


Congratulations Shreya Kumar for winning first place!  
The winning jersey design will be worn at the May 30th game.  
Top placing designs include Kate Marshall (second place) and Daniel Keller  
(third place).

Submitted jersey designs are installed along the halls of the  
Y Aushman Arts Center 2nd floor, be sure to check them out!



**FAC Presents Jazz Drummer Ronnie Burrage  
For A Special One-Night Event**



SOLD OUT  
Check back for photos and recap!

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## **FAC's "Celebrating 50 Years of Creative Community" Exhibit at the Annapolis Treasury Building**

In celebration of the 50 year anniversary, the FAC is showcasing Frederick artists in an exhibit at the Annapolis Treasury building Feb 9th through April 10th.

# Frederick Arts Council: Celebrating Fifty Years of Creative Community

February 9 - April 10



Dan Stouffer

**50 Years of Creative Community** is a special exhibition sponsored by the Frederick Arts Council honoring five decades of artistic expression in Frederick County. Featuring 2D works and sculpture in all media, the show explores the how local artists interpret the spirit, culture, and character of the community.

Participating artists: Esperanza Alzona • Melissa Avera-Cook  
Marc Bolea • Goodloe Byron • Gary Carver • Noah Chiles • Colleen Clapp  
William Cochran • John Connors • Cheryl Dapsauski • Patricia Dobbin  
Thomas Dorsz • Joseph Craig English • Yemi Fagbohun • Suzanne Feldman  
Luc Fiedler • Valarie Frank • Todd Gardner • Sarah Hempel-Irani  
Thomas Hornyak • Juliet Hossain • Margaret Huddy • Judith Kornett  
Beckie Laughlin • Alexis Dominique Limpiado • Matt Long • Christina Lund  
Christopher Madden • Sheryl Massaro • Julie Maynard • Christine Mayo  
Andrea McCluskey • Jan McIntyre-Creager • Carol Meisner  
Antonio Tobias Mendez • Aynex Mercado • Christine Merry • Lee Newman  
Tammy O'Connor • Ludmilla Oliver • Liana Owad • Karen Peacock  
Donna Quesada • Lori Rounds • Ann Schaefer • Ellen Olson Schippert  
Janet Siefert • Lisa Sheirer • Yuganti Shirodkar • Helen Smith • Dan Stouffer  
Christine Stovall • Michelle Venable • Richard Weiblinger • Ira Wexler  
Harriet Wise • Homer Yost • Ronald Young

FAC  
Exhibition  
Reception

March 17<sup>th</sup>, 5p

Annapolis  
Treasury  
Building

80 Calvert St,  
Annapolis, MD  
21403

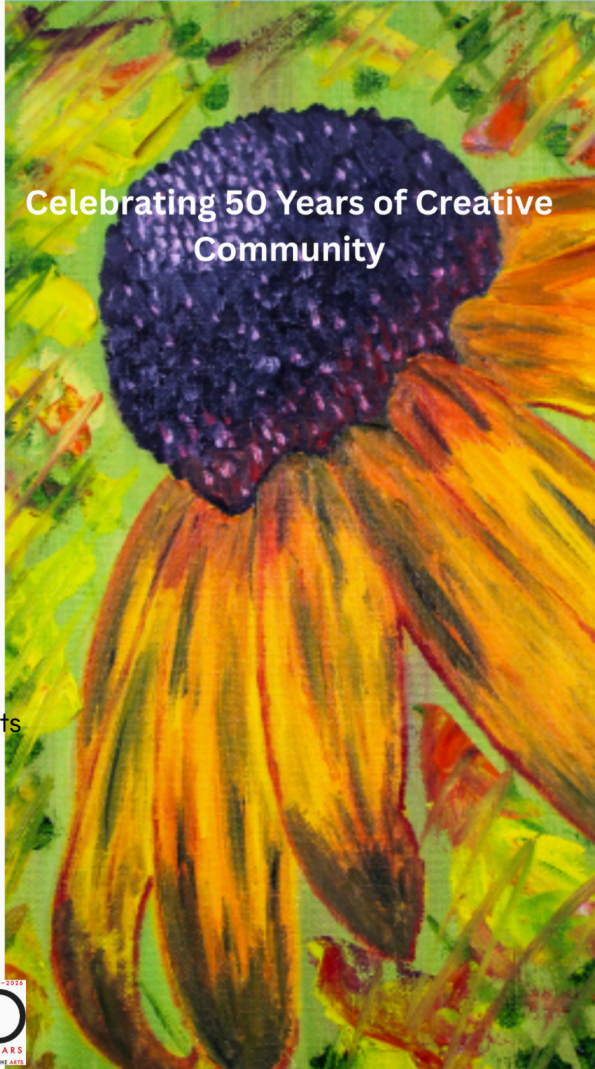
Representing  
more than 50  
Frederick Artists

Register on  
Eventbrite

image credit: Dan Stouffer



Celebrating 50 Years of Creative  
Community



March 17th Reception RSVP [here](#).

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### Call for Artists

**Black-Eyed Susans: Fifty Years of Creativity in Bloom--A  
Temporary Public Art Installation**

## BLACK-EYED SUSANS: FIFTY YEARS OF CREATIVITY IN BLOOM--A TEMPORARY PUBLIC ART INSTALLATION

### PROJECT OVERVIEW

We invite artists and artist teams to propose designs for a temporary public art installation celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Frederick Arts Council. This project will transform a public landscape through the repetition of individual Black-Eyed Susans, Maryland's state flower, as a symbol of growth and renewal.

Using the Black-Eyed Susan as a shared form, this project envisions vibrant fields that celebrate blossoming ideas, deep roots, planted seeds, and a future shaped together. Through repetition, color, and scale, the installation will transform a public landscape into a place of brightness, imagination, and forward momentum. The Black-eyed Susan is a flower rich in symbolism, offering messages of hope, truth, resilience and healing.

**Project Type:** Temporary, large-scale public art installation

**Project Duration:** Temporary Installation through December 2026

**Project Location:** Outdoor locations throughout Frederick County

**Deadline March 20<sup>th</sup>, 11:59p**

### ARTISTIC VISION

Artists are encouraged to interpret the individual Black-Eyed Susan broadly—literal, abstracted, symbolic, or experimental—while contributing to a cohesive visual experience that feels alive, expansive, and optimistic.

Proposed works should:

- Evoke themes of growth, emergence, and transformation
- Create a sense of collective energy through many individual elements
- Invite reflection on how small acts—like planting a flower—can lead to large-scale change
- Feel welcoming, accessible, and rooted in community

Innovation is encouraged. This is a space for joyful color, and new ways of imagining what public art can cultivate. Please submit a design of a flower of approximately 18 inches tall, with a design for fixing in the ground (the stem may be enough), in a material suitable for both indoor and outdoor use, and a plan for producing in batches.

### MATERIALS AND FABRICATION

Artists may propose materials of their choosing, including but not limited to:

- Metal, wood, fiber, ceramics, glass, porcelain or mixed media
- Recycled, reclaimed, or biodegradable materials
- Light-responsive, kinetic, or interactive elements (site-appropriate)

Material choices should reflect:

- Durability for a temporary outdoor installation
- Environmental awareness
- Safety and accessibility
- Practicality of installation and removal

### COLLABORATION & COMMUNITY

Collaborative proposals are welcome and encouraged. Artists may also propose ways the project could:

- Involve community members in fabrication or installation
- Create opportunities for shared making, learning, or dialogue
- Symbolize collective care, stewardship, and shared roots

### ELIGIBILITY

- Open to professional artists and artist teams
- Local area artists encouraged to apply
- Experience with public art or large-scale installation preferred but not required

### BUDGET

total project budget of \$12,000 inclusive of:

- Artist fee
- Materials and fabrication
- Installation and deinstallation
- Insurance and related project costs

The initiative will be designed so that individuals can pre-order individual flowers at a price of about \$80 each plus shipping and the flowers will be sent after deinstallation in December.

Total cost of the project is \$12,000 with additional funding possible depending on pre-sales.

#### SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Please submit:

1. Statement of Interest describing your concept and approach (1-2 pages)
2. Preliminary visuals (sketches, renderings, reference images)
3. Materials statement outlining proposed materials and methods
4. Partner fabricator if applicable
5. Resume or CV (2-3 pages)
6. Work samples (up to 2 images)

#### TIMELINE

- Call opens: Feb. 20
- Submission deadline: March 20
- Artist selection: March 27
- Installation period: April 20 – May 20

#### APPLY

applications accepted via  
SlideRoom by March 20,  
11:59 p



#### SELECTION CRITERIA

Proposals will be reviewed based on:

- Artistic vision and originality
- Alignment with themes of growth, innovation, and optimism
- Feasibility, thoughtful use of materials, and production plan
- Ability to create a strong collective visual impact
- Potential for collaboration and public engagement



SlideRoom link: <https://frederickartscouncil.slideroom.com/#/permalink/program/88348/ws2YJ3ipnl>

Artists are encouraged to interpret the Black-Eyed Susan form expansively—literal, abstracted, symbolic, or conceptual—while maintaining a cohesive field-like visual experience from the individual flowers that reads powerfully from both a distance and up close.

This project is inspired by the visual impact and emotional resonance of Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red by the artists Paul Cummins and Tom Piper located in London

#### ABOUT THE FREDERICK ARTS COUNCIL

*The Frederick Arts Council invests in a vibrant and cohesive arts community for the people of Frederick County. The organization fosters an environment where the arts flourish in the community through grants and scholarships, arts advocacy, and links to essential resources. FAC is responsible for large-scale programming such as the Frederick Festival of the Arts, Sky Stage, Frederick Public Art Initiative, Art in the Park, and Arts in Education grants.*



#### VISION FOR PUBLIC ART INITIATIVE

Our vision is a Frederick where public art connects residents and visitors, expresses an authentic and unique sense of place, drives economic prosperity through creativity, and advances a culturally inclusive and empowered future.

[www.FrederickArtsCouncil.org](http://www.FrederickArtsCouncil.org)

[info@frederickartscouncil.org](mailto:info@frederickartscouncil.org)

[Click here](#) for Complete Guidelines

Apply via [SlideRoom](#) by March 20th, 11:59p

## LAST WEEKEND

### The Frederick Arts Council Presents

"Where Energy Meets Matter: Exploring the Frontiers of Science" in partnership with the Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research,  
Sponsored by the National Cancer Institute

Gallery 115 located inside of Y Arts Center  
115 E Church St, Frederick, MD 21701

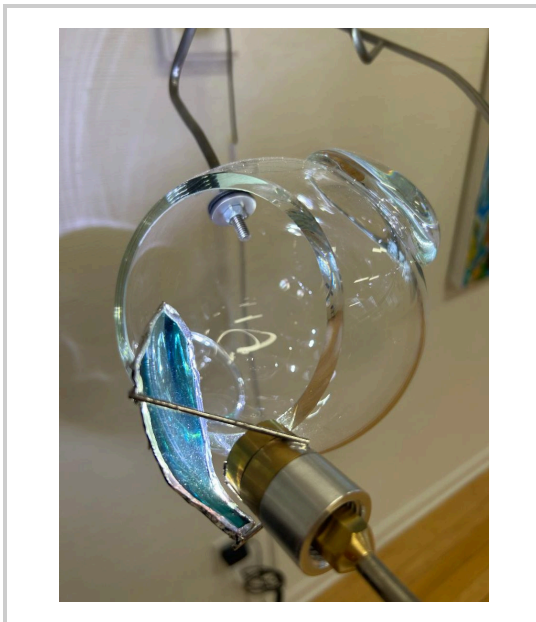
#### Gallery Hours

Monday-Friday 11a-9p

Saturday 9a-4p



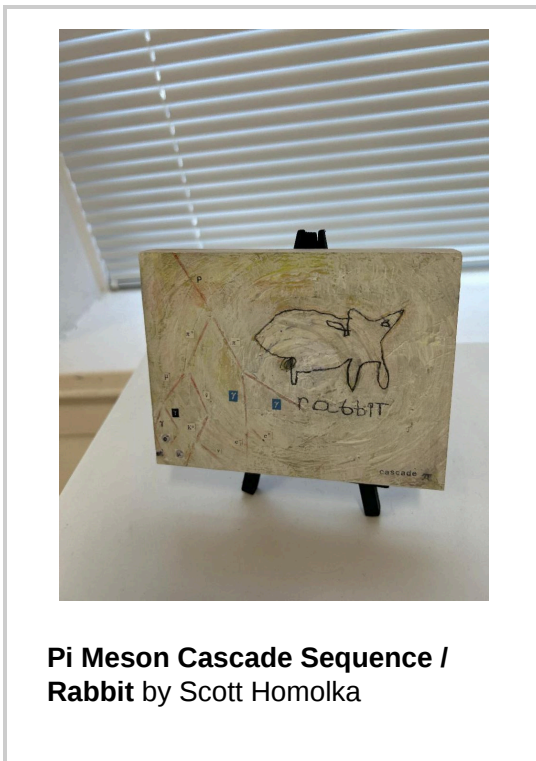
**Helix of Helices** by Erik and Martin Demaine



**Eclipse** by Dana Major



**video: Dynamical evolutions of a starling flock** by Irene Cavagna and Irene Giardina



**Pi Meson Cascade Sequence / Rabbit** by Scott Homolka

“We’re excited to offer this interdisciplinary art show that shines a light on artist/scientists and science/artists,” said Louise Kennelly, Executive Director of the Frederick Arts Council. “Our world faces a lot of challenges and we’re encouraging collaborative, optimistic approaches that link the world-class art and the world-class science found here in Frederick, Maryland.”

Participating artists: Susan Aldworth, Erik and Martin Demaine, Shannon Beatty, Karin Birch, Robert Birkenes, Gabriella Boros, Jack Bradshaw, Christian Burgos, Katherine Burke, Irene Cavagna and Irene Giardina, David Eby, Luc Fiedler, Laura Gee, Elliott Hamilton, Scott Homolka, Amelia Jones, Seth Kalish, Julia Laug, Beckie Laughlin, Jocelyn Lee, Daniele Lorio, Dana Major, Julie Maynard, Andrea McCluskey, Aynex Mercado, Emily Mooney, Molly Palmer, Andrea Polli, Yoshiko Ratliff, Janet Seifert, Helle Sharlingtodd, Lisa Sheirer, Robert Strasser, Jon Sutter, Scott Thorp, Angelo Varisano, Negin Vatanian, and Richard Weiblinger.

Check out the complete virtual gallery [here](#)

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**Purchase a 2026 Calendar  
Featuring Carousel Figures Refurbished by Local Artists**



Purchase [here](#)

Pay online and pick up your calendar at the front desk of the YMCA Ausherman Arts Center (YAAC) within their hours of operation @ 115 E Church St, Frederick.

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**Festival of the Arts 2026**  
June 13th and 14th

Artist Application open!

Interested in applying for the 2026 Festival of the Arts Along Carroll Creek?

Apply via [Application](#)



The Frederick Festival of the Arts invites art lovers to enjoy a showcase of finest national artists. Exhibitors are hand-picked by an independent jury and feature diverse mediums including jewelry, clay, metal, leather, digital, fiber, wood, mix-media, photography, painting, and sculpture.

[Consider becoming a sponsor](#)

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## FAC's Sky Stage

Thank you for another fantastic season at FAC's Sky Stage! We are grateful to all of those who performed, attended and supported these creative community events.



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## Please be Aware of Spam Emails

We are hearing that some FAC members are receiving various spam emails pretending to be related to FAC, communicating about gift cards and mailing lists. Please note senders email address and if you are not familiar with the address please do not respond or click links.

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## Available Artist Space in Frederick



# AVAILABLE SPACE

PERFORMANCE,  
REHERSAL, STUDIO,  
GATHERING, AND  
MORE



The information below is provided by our artist community. Check back for updates and more availability.

Have a space you'd like to be included on this list? Fill out the form linked below.

Type of Space	Address	Rate	Availability	Size of room	Features	Contact for arrangements
*Studio Space *Gallery Space *Gathering Space	915 Tollhouse Ave, Frederick	varies	now available	varies	heat, air conditioning, 24/7 access, fob entry, Wifi access, FREE parking	artspirationfrederick@gmail.com 657-627-0554
*Studio Space	115 F Church St	\$300	now available	12x12	Wood floors, large windows. 2nd floor walk up.	Jill Slaughter 301-418-6556 jslaughter@frederickymca.org
*Rehearsal *Performance	15 W Patrick St, Frederick, MD 21701	depends on use, contact for specific pricing details	contact for availability	lobby ~28'W x 68'D Theater ~62'W x 52'D	Lobby has original hardwood floors, theater has a platform stage and risers for seating, PA system, and theatrical lighting set-up	Laura Hawk Lhawk@cityoffrederickmd.gov 301-600-2858
*Studio Space	1 - 7 N Market St	begins at \$450/mon and varies	5 units	begins at 105 sq ft and varies	Suited for various visual arts practices Artists are encouraged to exhibit adjacent gallery.	Emma Sandler: emma@vovgallery.com
*Studio Space *Rehearsal	1 - 11 N Market St, third floor	\$450/month	10 spaces available	varies		Patty Hurwitz patty@colonialjewelers.com
*Rehearsal *Performance	7313 Grove Rd, Frederick, MD	\$20-\$50/hour	Daytime	1500 sq ft	dancefloor and seating area	Denise Mayer 240.315.5134
*Rehearsal *Studio Space	482-A Prospect Blvd	\$60-\$75/hr	9a-3p Monday-Friday	Studio 1: 30x30' Studio 2: 30x24' Studio 3: 36x28' Studio 4: 6x32' Studio 5: 28x22'	multiple units available	Susan DesRoches 301-846-4247 dancewithus247@gmail.com
*Rehearsal *Studio Space	327 E 3rd St, Frederick, MD	\$450	1 space available	30x40' entire third floor of duplex	open space natural light, ample street parking, A/C, private, access to kitchen + bath, downtown walking	Joann Kandel 443.629.2054
*Studio Space	2 W Main St, Burkittsville, MD 21728	\$250/month	1 space available 24-7	360 sq ft 18x20'	Fully furnished metal smith studio month to month for jewelry making	Jayne Marshall jayemarshalldesign@gmail.com 301.728.2631
*Rehearsal *Studio space *Performance / event space	6907 Baltimore National Pike, Unit 15 Frederick, MD	\$40/hour 2 hour min	1 space available 7 days a week	890 sq ft (bathroom, main space and kitchenette)	5x13 Stage, Par Lights, PA System, 2 mics, cocktail drum kit, folding tables and chairs, free parking	Ayanna Gallant ayanna@ayaarts.com 508.813.8588
*Rehearsal *Studio Space	112 East Patrick St.	\$40-\$60/hour	7 days a week	1000 sq ft		shootatumbra.com info@shootatumbra.com

Have space available for rental? Fill out [this form](#) to let artists and arts organizations know what you have available.

## Ticket to the Arts

The FAC underwrites the Ticket to the Arts program, an advertising opportunity included in the Frederick News-Post's weekly 72 Hours insert. This marketing opportunity is made available to FAC members at an affordable rate.

## 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](mailto:info@frederickartscouncil.org) with questions.

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Check out the upcoming schedule of free professional development sessions, from live portfolio reviews to legal advice for artists! Register now on [Eventbrite](#).

## Now accepting applications

### Creativity Grants

Deadline: (Rolling)  
[Click here](#) to learn more.

### Performing Artist Touring Roster

Deadline: February 28 (Rolling)  
[Click here](#) to learn more.

### Professional Development Opportunity

Deadline: (Rolling)  
[Click here](#) to learn more.

### Touring Grant (for rostered artists)

Deadline: (Rolling)  
[Click here](#) to learn more.

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## The Potters' Guild of Frederick: Monthly Events

**'Take a Turn At The Wheel'** — We are offering a fun 3-hour introductory class called "Take a Turn at the Wheel"! Clay, wheels, and tools are 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 5 people

per class and is held on the 2nd Saturday of each month, 3-6 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 – in-person at the Y Arts Center, 115 E Church St, Frederick, MD 21701. Please visit the Potters' Guild website ([www.pottersguildoffrederick.com](http://www.pottersguildoffrederick.com)) for details and an explanation of scheduled activities.

### Gallery Hours

Wednesday - Friday 11am-5pm

Saturday 10am - 8pm

Sunday 12pm - 5pm

[pottersguildoffrederick.com](http://pottersguildoffrederick.com)

## Theater, Film, Music, and Dance

### MPT is Seeking Volunteers

"InSpired," a 3 Roads Communications documentary that includes the important role the arts play in Frederick's renaissance is being aired on MPT including an online fundraiser. Volunteers are asked to assist in answering phones during the airing. **February 28th, 3:30-9p** Volunteers get dinner and training--please arrive at: MPT in Owings Mills (full details will be provided once you fill out the Google Form below)

Any time contributed is appreciated.

Volunteer Form: <https://forms.gle/ss3Dc37ezLYAKgXG7>

Questions? Contact: [stefani.senkus@mpt.org](mailto:stefani.senkus@mpt.org)



[www.3roads.com](http://www.3roads.com)

### "Boomtown: The Story of Downtown Frederick" Comes to Warehouse Cinemas in February!

After a highly successful premiere at the Weinberg, **BOOMTOWN** is heading to Warehouse Cinemas for its first-run screening throughout February. If you didn't get to catch it earlier, there are several more opportunities to see the film!

FAC Members are eligible for 20% off tickets with code BTOWNFAC at checkout. Tickets & showtimes available [here](#).



**BOOMTOWN** is a powerful docudrama inspired by true events — when a band of unlikely rebels in 1970s Frederick, Maryland ignited a cultural revolution that saved their sinking town and sparked a renaissance of creativity. 50 years later, in 2025, Lexi Brown—a bold college student with deep local roots—returns to uncover the truth hidden in her late father Amos’s newspaper archives. As she pieces together the past, she discovers that the spark that once saved a city might be exactly what’s needed to save the future.

Boomtown's first-run screening is at Warehouse Cinemas Frederick, located in the Frederick Towne Mall. Parking on-site; theatre concessions, beer, wine & cocktails available for purchase at each show.

[www.boomtowntofrederick.com](http://www.boomtowntofrederick.com)

# CALVARY COMMUNITY CONCERT SERIES

presented by the Music and Arts Ministry  
of Calvary United Methodist Church

**Sunday, March 1, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.**  
doors open at 2:15

Calvary United Methodist Church  
131 West Second Street • Frederick, MD 21701



## Brian Ganz, *pianist*

### Extreme Chopin - the final installment!

Brian Ganz's quest to perform all 250 works by Chopin comes to a close this spring. Don't miss this final "All-Chopin" concert which will be performed on Chopin's 216th birthday! Through this highly interactive and energetic performance, Mr. Ganz brings Chopin's music to life with emotional power and warmth.



Visit [www.calvaryumc.org/concerts](http://www.calvaryumc.org/concerts) for information on these and more upcoming events:

March 15, 2026  
Peter DuBois  
organist

April 12, 2026  
Duo Arpeggione  
piano and cello

May 17, 2026  
The Anderson Brothers Play Gershwin  
woodwinds and guitar

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Peter DuBois, organist, has performed throughout the U.S. and abroad. He is host and producer of the nationally syndicated public radio program "With Heart and Voice" heard on more than 125 stations. The concert will include works by César Franck, Bach, Widor, Vierne, and more. This concert is dedicated in loving memory of Frank and Bobbie Parsons, Mr. DuBois' in-laws.



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Andrew Sords  
violinist

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Discovery Theater presents  
**Going the Distance**



**Saturday**  
**February 21, 2:30pm**  
Snow date March 1

**Frederick Community  
College  
JBK Theater**



**Tickets \$5 each**

**FCC Community  
pick up vouchers in  
H101**

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[Register here to attend](#) Going the Distance



**FCC JAZZ  
FESTIVAL**  
**FEB 27, 2026**

**FEATURING THE  
TODD MARCUS  
JAZZ ORCHESTRA**  
WITH AN OPENING PERFORMANCE BY  
THE FCPS ALL-COUNTY JAZZ BAND



**FREE TICKETS!**  
*\$15 suggested donation*  
Daytime workshops for middle and high school students  
7pm concert open to the public



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[Register here to attend](#) FCC Jazz Festival

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FREDERICK EXPERIMENTAL MUSIC ASSOCIATION  
AMERICAN MUSIC @ 250

# STEPPIN'

THE MUSIC OF JULIUS HEMPHILL

SATURDAY  
APRIL  
**11th**

**MUSIC FOR  
SAXOPHONE QUARTET**

**Marty Ehrlich • Maryland Saxtet:**  
Darryl Brenzel | Howard Burns | Gregory Thompkins

**HODSON AUDITORIUM**  
ROSENSTOCK HALL, HOOD COLLEGE

TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH EVENTBRITE

photo by Nina Contini Meilis



[Purchase Tickets](#)

# MOVIE KNIGHT

First Fridays

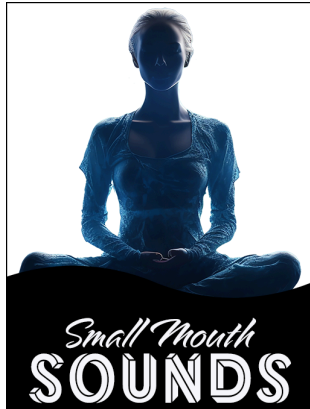
Local Films

Discussions with creators

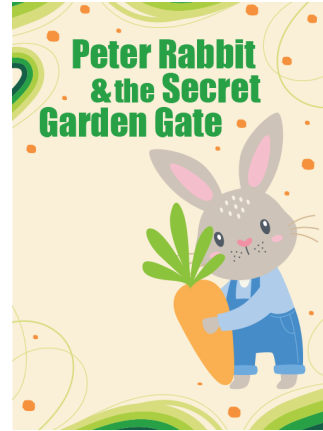
Featured Screenings

First Fridays every month, free admission.

[fallingsquares.com](http://fallingsquares.com)



**Small Mouth Sounds**  
February 13- March 15  
[Purchase Tickets](#)



**Peter Rabbit & the Secret Garden Gate**  
Tiny Stages  
February 21- March 15  
[Purchase Tickets](#)

Maryland Ensemble Theatre has merit-based scholarships available for kids and adults who would like to participate in a MET class or summer camp. Scholarship eligibility is based on ALICE household budgets.

[Scholarship information can be found here.](#)

[Class and camp information can be found here.](#)

[marylandensemble.org](http://marylandensemble.org)



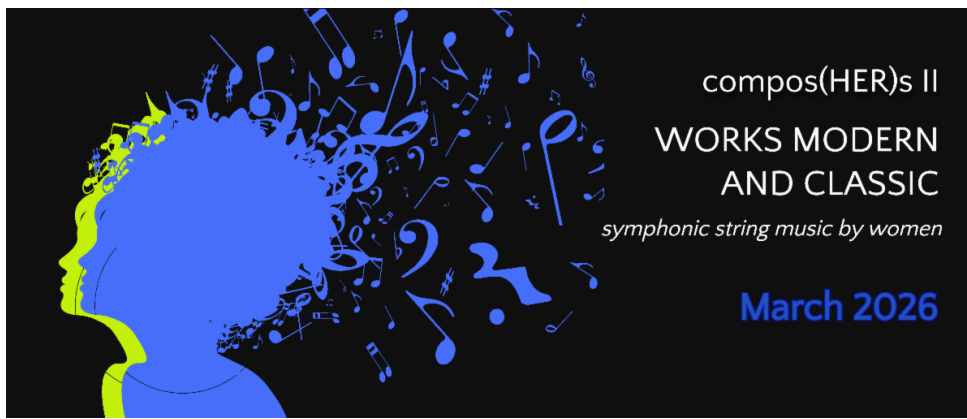
## **The National String Symphonia at New Spire Arts** **March 7th, 4p at New Spire Arts**

The NSS will be performing "compos(HER)s II: works modern and classic" which will celebrate Women's History Month by shining a spotlight on the remarkable works of women composers—past and present.

Join us as we continue our commitment to amplifying these underrepresented voices in our second series dedicated to women composers. We are proud to include works by Mary Howe, Marianne Martinez, Judith Shatin, Beth Anderson, and Gwyneth Walker.

Grab your tickets now and don't miss this unique opportunity to support and celebrate these remarkable artists while enjoying an evening filled with beautiful melodies and powerful performances!

[Purchase Tickets](#)



**Spires Brass Band Presents Joined in Joy**  
**March 14th, 7:30p & March 15th, 3p at FCC**



Experience a musical event of pure enjoyment at *Joined in Joy*, a combined concert featuring The Frederick Chorale & Spires Brass Band. Get ready for an unforgettable experience with **Spires Brass Band** and **The Frederick Chorale** at the **JB Kussmaul Theatre in the Visual & Performing Arts Center at Frederick Community College**. Join us for a special time filled with beautiful music, moving vocals, and soaring brass lines as these two groups collaborate for the first time. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to experience the magic of these two groups together at last.

Purchase tickets [here](#) or at the door



For more information & events, visit [weinbergcenter.org](http://weinbergcenter.org)



**Billy F Gibbons & the BFG Band**  
LIVE Series  
Tuesday, February 24th, 7:30p  
[Purchase Tickets](#)



**Let It Shine: The American Civil Rights Movement**  
smARTS SERIES  
Wednesday, February 25th, 10a  
Wednesday, February 25th, 12:15p  
[Purchase Tickets](#)



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## Give us a listen!

On this show, we interview local artists from the Frederick area who are making an impact in their craft and artists who are involved with the YMCA Arts Center. We will explore their stories, ambitions, influences, exhibitions, and more together. As we highlight their experiences, you will learn who they are and what's next for their careers. This podcast will provide a place to find talented creators.

Thank you for listening.

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Join us for a  
LIVE Talk Show  
at the YAAC  
Friday 2/20/2026  
5:30pm

**Y MEMBERS FREE**  
**NON-MEMBERS \$10**

★ **FEATURING** ★  
**Jarad Bowens**  
Chair for SOUL Street  
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+ Musical Guest  
**Suli**

115 E. Church St. Doors at 5pm Showtime 5:30pm

Next up 3/06/2026

Featuring Bill Lord- Global Z Recording Project  
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Visual Art Exhibits and Opportunities



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Black History Month  
Feb. 7-Feb. 28, 2026

Opening Reception  
February 7, 2026  
3:00pm-5:00pm

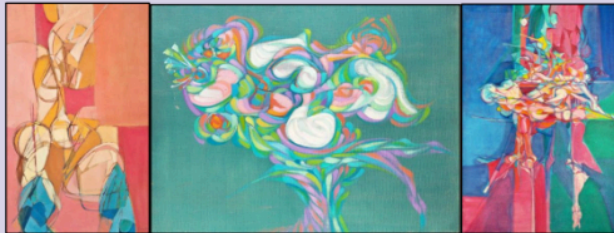
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"You can't sit around and wait for  
somebody to say who you are. You  
need to write it and paint it and do it."  
Faith Ringgold

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## BLANCHE AMES GALLERY

Presents an Interactive Exhibit by Barnstone Studios  
"Myron Barnstone: Unveiling the Architecture of Peace, Justice, and Beauty"



"Blue Leggings"

"Floral"

"Dreamers"

Show opens Sunday, January 11, 2026

with reception featuring talk by Roger Brinker, Barnstone's Senior Master Guide

4880 Elmer Derr Road, Frederick, MD

Or

View art show Tues., Wed., Thurs. mornings  
by appointment at the gallery [BAGalleryappointment@gmail.com](mailto:BAGalleryappointment@gmail.com)  
Include name, phone, date/ time wish to view the show

Show runs through February 22, 2026

## BLANCHE AMES GALLERY

presents

### "iCommentary: Making Personal Universal" Todd Gardner



"Care"

"Nature's Way"

"Us"

Show opens Sunday, March 1, 2026

With reception to meet and greet the artist  
12:45 PM - 2:00 PM  
4880 Elmer Derr Road, Frederick, MD

Or

View art show Tues., Wed., Thurs. mornings  
by appointment at the gallery [BAGalleryappointment@gmail.com](mailto:BAGalleryappointment@gmail.com)  
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Show runs through April 26, 2026

[frederickuu.org/arts/blanche\\_ames\\_gallery](http://frederickuu.org/arts/blanche_ames_gallery)

David Modler, Samuel Peck, & Michael Dodson Feb 7-Mar 1  
Dominic Nash Feb 7-Mar 1  
Maremi Andreozzi Feb 3-Mar 1  
Anne Boyer Feb 3-Mar 1  
Alfred Groff Feb 3-Mar 1

THE DELAPLAINE arts CENTER  
FEBRUARY 2026

Frederick County Public School Faculty Show Mar 7-29  
Frederick County Public Schools Youth Art Month Student Exhibition Mar 1-29  
Bettie Awards Mar 7-Apr 26

YOUTH ART MONTH! THE DELAPLAINE arts CENTER  
MARCH 2026

THE DELAPLAINE arts CENTER  
40 S Carroll St  
Frederick, MD 21701

#### FIRST SATURDAY, FEB 7

**Art Matters Artist Talk** | 2 pm | FREE  
**David Modler, Samuel Peck, and Michael Dodson** will present their work and discuss the collaborative nature of their exhibition, Tet[R]ad.  
**Exhibition Openings** | Meet the artists 3-5 pm | FREE  
**Creative Outlet** | 3-5 pm | FREE, donations encouraged  
Explore different mark-making techniques inspired by **Nonggirnga Marawili**.

#### DOWNTOWN FREDERICK ARTWALK

Sunday, **FEB 8** | 12-4 pm | FREE  
Visit local galleries Downtown! At the Delaplaine, **Ellen Mansfield** will feature ceramic art, clay sculpture and painting.

#### BYOS WITH SPECIAL GUEST GUITARIST ALEX BRUBAKER

Wednesday, **FEB 11** | 5-8 pm | \$10 (\$8 members)  
Find inspiration in the musical stylings of **Alex Brubaker**, a Lancaster, PA-based guitarist. Work on an existing project or start something brand new! Artists must bring their own supplies. Registration at [delaplaine.org](http://delaplaine.org) is encouraged.

#### ART AT NOON: THE LEGACY OF NONGGIRNGA MARAWILI

Friday, **FEB 20** | 12-1 pm | FREE  
Professor, researcher, and curator **Dr. Henry Skerritt** joins us for a talk on the history and influence of our winter Artist of Inspiration, **Nonggirnga Marawili**, a celebrated Australian Yolngu painter and printmaker.

**SPRING CLASSES, WORKSHOPS & SUMMER CAMPS ARE HERE!**  
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THE DELAPLAINE arts CENTER  
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Frederick, MD 21701

#### FIRST SATURDAY, MAR 7

**Bettie Awards Presentation** | 2 pm | FREE  
Join us for a presentation of the **2026 Bettie Award Winners** and the announcement of the Grand Prize Winner.

**Exhibition Openings** | FCPS Students & Teachers | 3-5 pm | FREE

**Creative Outlet** | 3-5 pm | FREE, donations encouraged  
Create your very own **artist trading cards** to trade and collect with other artists.

#### DOWNTOWN FREDERICK ARTWALK

Sunday, **MAR 8** | 12-4 pm | FREE  
Visit local galleries Downtown! At the Delaplaine, **Jessie Bunk** will be showcasing ambidextrous artworks.

#### ANNUAL ART SYMPOSIUM: THE BUSINESS OF ART

Friday, **MAR 13** | 8 am-3 pm | \$75 (\$50 members)  
This year's **Annual Art Symposium** explores where the creative and business worlds overlap and provides artists with resources in moving your creative work forward. Continental breakfast and lunch are included with registration at [delaplaine.org](http://delaplaine.org)

#### BLOCK PARTY AT THE DELAPLAINE

Exhibition Dates: Friday, **MAR 20**-Sunday, **MAR 29**  
Exhibition Times: Monday-Saturday, 9-8 & Sunday, 11-5  
**Block Party** at the Delaplaine invites brick creators and artists to show off their creations made with or inspired by interlocking blocks in a **10-day public exhibition** in Gardiner Hall. Visitors will be able to purchase votes for their favorites, and exhibitors will be eligible for cash and other prizes.

**BUS TRIPS, CLASSES, WORKSHOPS, SUMMER CAMPS & MORE!**  
See what's new for spring at [DELAPLAINE.ORG](http://DELAPLAINE.ORG)

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# ANNUAL ART SYMPOSIUM

## THE BUSINESS OF ART

This year's **Annual Art Symposium** explores where the creative and business worlds overlap and provides artists with answers to these questions. Resources in moving your creative work forward, including photographing and printing your artwork, also will be discussed.

**Featured Speakers:**

**ART TALK TODAY**

Jillian MacMaster THE DELAPLAINE ARTS CENTER

Chad Buterbaugh MARYLAND STATE ARTS COUNCIL

Jennifer Kahn Barlow PROFESSIONAL ARTIST

John Kachik PROFESSIONAL ARTIST

Chris Spangler THE IMAGINATION CENTER

Christia Ravenell MARYLAND VOLUNTEER LAWYERS FOR THE ARTS

**Register soon!**



**March 13**  
**8 am-3 pm**  
40 S Carroll St  
Frederick MD 21701

Both emerging and established artists, as well as instructors and art lovers, are invited to join us as we dive deep into the business of artmaking.

Continental breakfast and lunch are included with registration.  
COST \$75 (\$50 members)  
Register at **DELAPLAINE.ORG**

Register for the Annual Art Symposium [here](https://delaplaine.org/)

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February Show

# Fusion and Focus

Reflections of Our Shared World

Steven Gibson  
Fused Glass



Mary Paul Barnaby  
Photography

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Gallery Hours Sat & Sun 12-5pm

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Enjoy a 10% discount on your favorite artworks



Artwork of varying styles and mediums

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# GALLERY 322



## From the Heart

January 24 - March 1, 2026

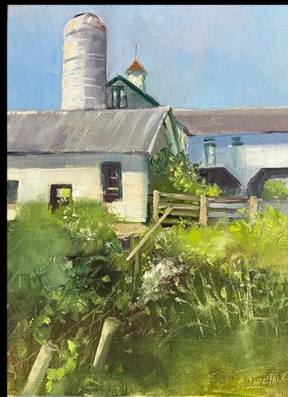
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Open Fridays 4-7PM, on Saturdays & Sundays from Noon-5PM

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Associates: Jane Knighton, Karen Winston-Levin,  
Deborah Lovelace Richardson, and Carol Cowie

# GALLERY 322



## SYNERGY

### Annual Associate Members Show

featuring Jane Knighton, Karen Winston-Levin,  
Deborah Lovelace Richardson, and Carol Cowie

March 6-29, 2026

322 North Market Street, Frederick, Maryland

Open Fridays 4-7PM, on Saturdays & Sundays from Noon-5PM

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# MULTIPLE BELONGINGS

ROSA M. TORRES

MFA Thesis Exhibition

February 23 - March 6, 2026

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**Reception:**

February 28

3:00 to 5:00 pm

**The Hodson Gallery**

Tatem Arts Center

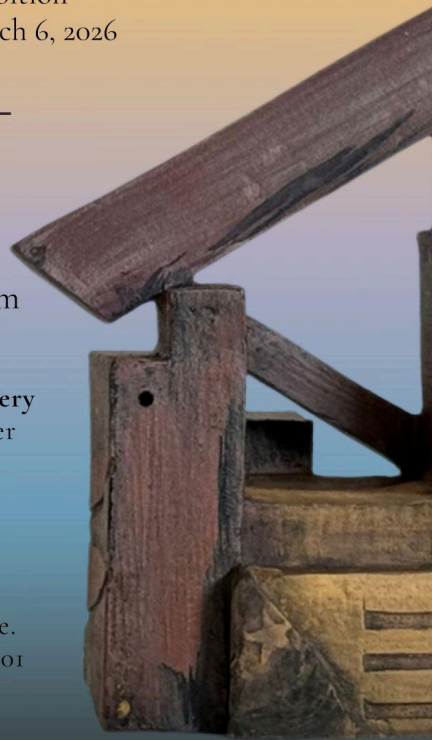
Gallery Hours:

9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

**Hood College**

401 Rosemont Ave.

Frederick MD 21701



[www.hood.edu/](http://www.hood.edu/)

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**the ASSOCIATES**  
*Exhibition*

FEB 6th - MAR 1st

Collins  
Dobbin  
Fritter  
Hornyak



Hunter  
Mayo  
Quesada  
Tasel



Opening Reception: Sat. February 7th, 5-8pm

TAG/The Artists Gallery 501 N Market St Frederick, MD



501 N Market St  
Frederick, MD  
21701

301.228.9860

**the ASSOCIATES**  
*Exhibition*

The Associate members gather in an exhibition of fine arts including ceramics, painting, photography and digital arts.

**FEB 6th - MAR 1st**

**OPENING RECEPTION:**

Saturday, Feb. 7th  
5:00 - 8:00pm

**GALLERY HOURS:**

Fridays & Saturdays 12:00 - 8:00  
Sundays 12:00 - 4:00

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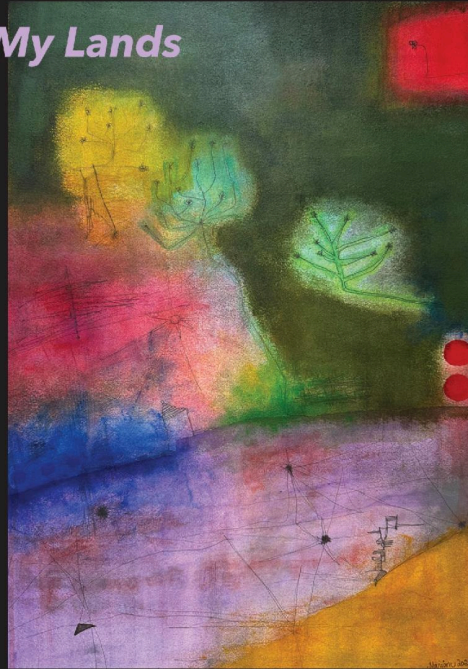


2026 March 6 - 29

Featured Artist

**MARIAM MEMARSADEGHI**

*All My Lands*



Opening Reception: Sat., March 7

TAG Talk: Sat., March 14 at 5

Gallery Hours: Fri. and Sat. 12 to 8, Sun. 12 to 4

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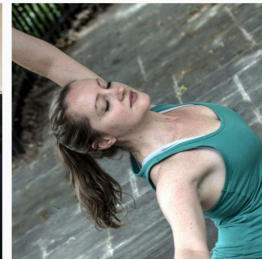
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