

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 Awards Resources for Emerging Arts Development Initiative (READI) Grants

The Frederick Arts Council announces that 9 local individuals and groups have been awarded READI grants for 2021:

- Karin Birch
- Asian American Center of Frederick
- Frederick County Landmarks Foundation (Barnstormers)
- Frederick Makers
- Out40 Media
- PopUp Frederick
- Shabnam Samuel
- TAG/The Artists Gallery
- The Valley Jazz Collective

The purpose of the Resources for Emerging Arts Development Initiative (READI) program is to strengthen the vitality and sustainability of artists and small organizations to obtain a strong and stable arts infrastructure in Frederick.

Congratulations!

Frederick Arts Council Awarded Maryland Department of Housing & Development Grant for Art Center Improvements



Earlier this week, Governor Larry Hogan announced the awardees from the Fiscal Year 2021 application round for state revitalization programs administered by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development. The Frederick Arts Council received one of two grants for projects sponsored by The City of Frederick.

The \$125,000 grant will help fund key building safety and accessibility improvements for the revitalization project of the historic art center at 5 E. 2nd Street, including the installation of a new sprinkler system.

Read More

2021 Festival of the Arts Preparations Continue



Fingers crossed that the Frederick Festival of the Arts will be a go this

year. FAC continues to work with partner Howard Allen Events to plan for the second weekend in June.

Save the Date: June 12th-13th, 2021

It's still not too late to apply to the Festival as an artist. If you're interested, please follow the link below.

Apply Now



Call to FAC Members: Member Info Station

We are working on creating a member info portal in the new Frederick Arts Council Center at 5 E. 2nd Street.

Each member will have an 8.5x11 pocket area of shelving for sharing promotional, event and/or season information.

Please send a cover image that you want displayed - the cover image can be a logo/photo and will not change - as well as any promotional materials via email (info@frederickartscouncil.org) or by mailing to: Frederick Arts Council, 11 W Patrick Street, Suite 201, Frederick, MD 21701.

We will also use your cover image for your member listing on frederickartscouncil.org, and we plan to publish an e-magazine version of the portal.

FAC's ArtMart

FAC's Art Mart is a recurring feature promoting the work of our talented member artists for sale.

Esperanza Alzona



For today's ArtMart the FAC would like to promote the works of Esperanza Alzona. Esperanza's work seeks to represent the concepts and qualities of humanness, the characterization of various universal emotions, sensations, thought processes, the embodiment of self-identity and manifestations of spirituality.

"Seeing my work I wish the viewer to find resonance and relevance of "being human" as I explore and express in physical form various facets, abstractions and iterations centering around the mind-body connection and the human experience."



Today we promote her piece titled "Hearing Room" (2019) cast aluminum (6" H x 7-1/2" W x 7-1/2" D) ~ \$900

Esperanza describes this sculpture as "a pair of ears on decadent walls that give the outward appearance of interacting, however there is a void in the midst, because hearing is not the same as listening. It is a commentary on the hollowness and deterioration of modern discourse. There is a lot of noise and sound out there, but how much communication is really happening? The ears are on the exterior, but the room in the middle is empty."

If interested in this piece or Esperanza's other works, please contact her via email at EPAlzona@comcast.net, or visit her website washingtonsculptors.org/membergallery/alzona/

Frederick Arts Council Member Spotlight

DISTRICT Arts



Interview with Staci and Bill McLauchlan, Owners, DISTRICT Arts

Summary of Artwork/Mission:

DISTRICT Arts is a contemporary art gallery in the heart of the vibrant historic district in downtown Frederick, MD. The gallery features local, regional and nationally recognized working artists whose creations evoke the modern world through the dramatic use of color and form, reflect world influences and diversity, and inspire, challenge, entertain and educate.

Favorite Artist:

With 35 gallery artists under contract we better not pick just one! Otherwise, Edward Hopper for his realism and Helen Frankenthaler for her abstract expressionism.

Fun Fact:

Before opening the gallery, owners Staci and Bill lived aboard a boat for 12 years while participating in 20-25 outdoor art shows each year.

Contact info:

Address: 15 N Market St Frederick. MD 21701

Email: info@districtarts.com

Phone: 301-695-4050

Website: <u>www.districtarts.com</u>



Sky Stage is gearing up for the 2021 season, and plans to open in May with jazz, gospel & blues legends the Eric Byrd Trio kicking off the season's live music offerings!

Check the calendars

at http://www.skystagefrederick.com/project/calendar/ or https://frederickartscouncil.org/news-events/calendar/ for events; ticketing links for some events will be posted as the dates approach.

We will be following capacity limits and mask protocols per city and county regulations until further notice.

In the meantime, the Black Lives Matter mural by local artist Lusmerlin remains on view inside Sky Stage through February. Check it out at 59 S. Carroll St.

More Info:

Eric Byrd Trio-- https://ericbyrdtrio.com Lusmerlin -- https://www.lusmerlin.com

Clean Up & Prep Day at Sky Stage

Saturday, April 17 Shifts from 11am (rain date April 18)

Please email skystage@frederickartscouncil.org if you'd like to volunteer to get the venue ready for for the 2021 season. Tasks may include leaf-blowing, sweeping, water-sealing bleachers, touch up painting, weeding, mulching, distributing posters and rack cards to nearby businesses. Attention high-schoolers--great for earning service-learning hours! Bring your paperwork to be signed for non-profit volunteer hours.

skystagefrederick.com

Text Link



Emergency Grants Applications Now Open!

\$5 million will be distributed through MSAC

With the passage of the RELIEF Act of 2021 by the Maryland General Assembly, MSAC will distribute \$5 million through its **Emergency Grant Program**. Created in March 2020 in response to the COVID-19 State of Emergency, Emergency Grants provide funding to arts organizations and artists for losses sustained because of programming, operations, and events that have been modified or cancelled.

This fourth round of MSAC Emergency Grant funding is available to independent artists, arts organizations, County Arts Agencies, and Arts & Entertainment District management entities. Per the legislation, MSAC will prioritize grants to organizations that have not received prior funding from MSAC or do not qualify for funding under other MSAC programs.

All applicants must complete an application through SmartSimple to request funding. Applications open March 5, 2021 and must be submitted by 5 p.m. on April 1, 2021 to be considered for funding. Click here to access the application.

FY2021 Network Technical Assistance Grants Open rolling through April 1, 2021

The intention of the Network Technical Assistance grant is to support organizational development activities beyond the scope of regular activities funded by Arts & Entertainment District Operating Support, County Arts Development, or Folklife Network grants.

Organizational development is defined as any effort that supports the stability, visibility, and effectiveness of an organization. This broad definition means that organizational development looks different based on each organization's unique needs. Contact relevant MSAC staff to discuss typical activities funded by Network Technical Assistance grants.

Funding: Grants are between \$500 and \$2,000 and are disbursed based on applicant requests. Grants may fund the entirety or a portion of an applicant's proposed organizational development activity.

Download the Grant Guidelines to Learn More



March is Arts in Our Schools Month and AEMS is planning a number of events throughout the month to highlight and uplift the amazing work of arts advocates and educators.

Also throughout the month, we will be hosting Facebook Live conversations in which educators, arts advocates, education advocates, and policymakers will talk about the importance of arts education.

Check out the following workshop links to RSVP and share:

- March 16 How Decisions Are Made
- March 23 How to Influence Change



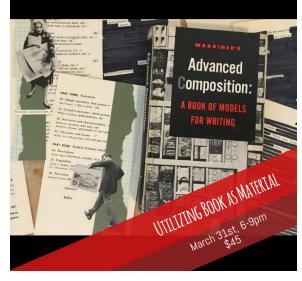
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Frederick Book Arts Center is excited to announce our new Spring course catalog. We have classes in papercutting, bookbinding, calligraphy, printmaking, collage, pop-up books, photo transfer, and more. We are currently offering all of our classes via Zoom, so you can take them from the comfort of your home!

To learn more about classes please visit: www.frederickbookarts.org/zoomclasses













Does the thought of spring have your creative juices flowing? The Y Arts Center, conveniently located in downtown Frederick at 115 East Church Street, has spring programs available for any age or interest.

Click to Download our Spring Arts Program Guide!

Music

- Rock 'n' Roll Extravaganza (ages 5-10)
- Music Class (ages 5-8) or Private Music Lessons (ages 6+)

Visual Arts

- Variety of Art Classes (ages 5-12) or Private Instruction (ages 6+)
- · Hand-building Clay Class (ages 7-14)
- 2-D Mixed Media for Adults (ages 16+)

- Beginners Watercolor for Adults (ages 16+)
- Intermediate Watercolor for Adults (ages 16+)

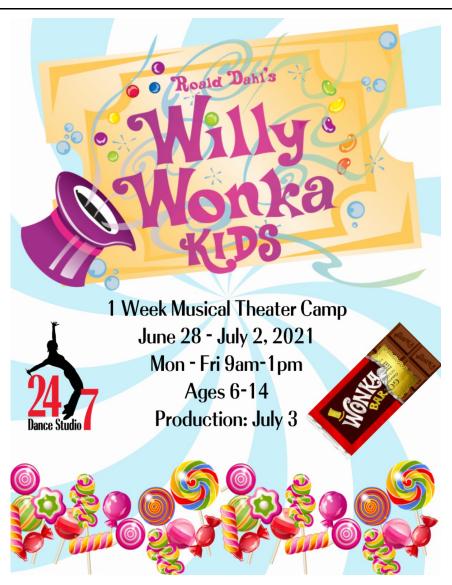
Drama

- · Adult Acting Classes (ages 16+)
- · Variety of Kid's Drama Classes (grades 1-12)

Dance

- · Adult Dance Classes in Ballroom, Ballet, or Tap
- · Mighty Movers (ages 7-10)
- Power Movers (ages 10-18)
- · Variety of dance classes including ballet, hip hop, tap, Cecchetti, and more

frederickymca.org



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 <u>in-person</u> 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 <u>info@pottersguildoffrederick.com</u> to request an invite. Please visit the Potters' Guild website (<u>www.pottersguildoffrederick.com</u>) for details and explanation of scheduled activities.

Gallery Hours:

Friday, 11am - 5pm Saturday, 11am - 5pm Sunday, 12pm - 5pm

pottersguildoffrederick.com

Encouraging Maryland writers, poets, playwrights, and authors for 32 years

Author: Joni Eareckson Tada

Genre: Christian Writer

"Perspective is everything when you are experiencing the challenges of life." - Joni Eareckson Tada



Ken Tada and Joni Eareckson Tada

Joni Eareckson Tada was born in 1949 in Baltimore, Maryland, and lived a very active life (riding horses, hiking, tennis, and swimming) all through her growing up years. Then on July 30, 1967, after misjudging the shallowness of the water, she dove into the Chesapeake Bay, broke her spine, and became paralyzed from the shoulders down. During occupational therapy, she learned to paint with a brush between her teeth and began selling her artwork. She also learned to write this way, but now uses voice recognition software.

Tada describes herself as an evangelical Christian author, radio host, and founder of Joni and Friends, an organization

dedicated to "accelerating Christian ministry in the disability community." To date, she has written over forty-eight books on the subjects of disability and Christianity, recorded several musical albums, starred in an autobiographical movie of her life, and is an advocate for people with disabilities.

Tada's first book Joni, written in 1976, became an international best-selling autobiography. This recounting of her struggle against quadriplegia & depression has been translated into over thirty languages and made into a feature film. Her second book, A Step Further, is Tada's response to the thousands of letters she received from people puzzled about the "whys" of suffering. Joni responds to these questions by showing how God used circumstances, people, and events in her own life and the lives of others to provide meaning to her disability. She has also written several children's books including Tell Me The Promises and Tell Me The Truth which both received the Evangelical Christian Publishers' Association's (ECPA) Gold Medallion.

Joni and Friends began a five-minute radio program in1982 which can still be heard each weekday on over 1,000 broadcast outlets. Tada also records a one-minute radio broadcast "Diamonds in the Dust" that airs daily. Both programs provide listeners with a spiritual motivational boost for the day and have received the "Radio Program of the Year" award from National Religious Broadcasters.

Joni married Ken Tada in 1982. Learn more at: https://www.joniandfriends.org

Genre: Christian Writer – Christian writing attempts to show readers that a religious faith is important for a balanced life and that it can provide inspiration to endure or overcome challenges they experience.

Sample Reading List: Joni, A Step Further, Infinite Hope: In the Midst of Struggles, Stressed to the Max: Peace for Women Under Pressure, A Thankful Heart in a World of Hurt, Tell Me The Promises.

Fun With Words - Maryland Writers' Association (MWA) invites you to have fun writing an inspirational piece like Joni does. Using up to 100 words, write an inspirational "radio moment" encouraging people who are struggling to look top their faith to help them make it through. Submit your

marylandwriters.org

Call To Artists

Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts: Call to Artists for Lexington Market



The Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts (BOPA) and the Municipal Art Society of Baltimore City have announced two Calls for Artists for the new Lexington Market.

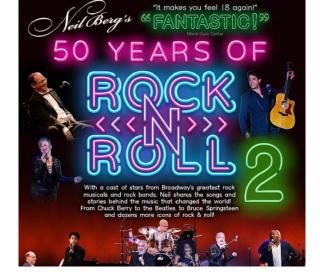
As part of the development of a new Lexington Market, including a new plaza, the Calls for Artists seek two permanent, site-specific, integrated artworks. Both calls are open to artists living and working in Maryland and its contiguous states: Virginia, Delaware, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Washington, D.C. Artists living and working in Baltimore and across Maryland are especially encouraged to apply. Artists may apply individually or as a team.

The full application with additional information is available and is due by Tuesday, March 23, 2021.

Theater



The Weinberg Center remains closed. For information on upcoming events, visit weinbergcenter.org.





The performance scheduled for October 11 has been moved to March 20, 2021. More Info

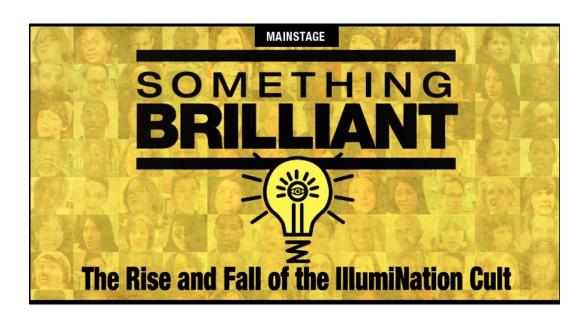


Frederick Nonprofit Summit presents Vu Le

THU APRIL 8, 2021 | 10:45 AM

This event was postponed to April 8, 2021, and will now be hosted as a VIRTUAL Event. More Info







marylandensemble.org

Visual Art Exhibits

THE DELAPLAINE Deserves Art



FCPS ALL-COUNTY STUDENT ART SHOW Works in a variety of media Online only starting Mar 6



FCPS ACADEMY FOR THE FINE ARTS EXHIBIT Works in a variety of media



FCPS FACULTY EXHIBITION Works in a variety of media Mar 6 - 28



2021 BETTIE AWARDS EXHIBITION Works in a variety of media Mar 13 - Apr 25



MARYLAND PASTEL SOCIETY Symphony in Color Through Mar 28

FIRST SATURDAY, MAR 6

Exhibition Openings | On-site & online | FREE

Bettie Awards | 2 pm | YouTube

We'll be announcing the 2021 Bettie Award Grand Prize Winner and sharing information about the program and this year's exhibition!

Virtual Art Carnival | Gift Gallery & YouTube

Families can create Paper Bag People Puppets using the kit available for purchase (\$5) in the Gift Gallery and online or with supplies from home. An accompanying video will debut on YouTube on March 6.

ART AT NOON: THE ART OF J.R.R. TOLKIEN

Friday, MAR 12 • 12-1 pm | Zoom Webinar | FREE

Dr. John T. McQuillen, Associate Curator at the Morgan Library & Museum, will discuss Tolkien's original illustrations from his Middle-earth legendarium.

SPRING WORKSHOPS

Eastern European Egg Painting | Sat, MAR 20 • 1-4 pm or MAR 27 • 1-4 pm

Variations on Linocut Printmaking | Saturday, APR 10 • 10 am-4 pm

Absolutely Riveting | Wednesday, APR 14 • 6-9 pm

Metalsmithing Basics: Bobbles & Adornments | Wednesday, APR 21 • 6-9 pm

Intro to the Visual Journal | Sat, MAY 1 • 10 am-12 pm & Sun, MAY 2 • 1-3 pm

Night Photo Walk | Saturday, MAY 8 • 7-9 pm

View and register for Springs Classes and Summer Art Camps for Kid & Teens at

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delaplaine.org

DISTRICT Arts

presents

"Around the Block"



A collection of memories, stories, and moments of life by emerging artist Nevada Tribble.

March 3 - March 28, 2021

(Masks and social distancing required)

15 N. Market St • Frederick, MD

GALLERY HOURS

Monday - Tuesday: 12 - 5 Wednesday - Thursday: 12 - 6 Friday - Saturday: 12 - 8 Sunday: 12 - 5

districtarts.com

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THE ARTISTS GALLERY IS MOVING!

Our new location will be at 501 N. MARKET STREET

Our first show is scheduled to open in April, in the meantime, please enjoy selections from TAG's March online show.

































While we are in transition

please visit our virtual exhibition of members' artwork updated

the first Friday of each month.

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

theartistsgalleryfrederick.com





Ann Schaefer • Anne Gibson-Snyder
Homer Yost • Jan Kaufman
Linda Kirvan • Russ Schofield
Michael Douglas Jones
Associates: Roberta Staat, Tom Ritchie, Leo Ramos,
Lissa Abrams, and Karen Winston-Levin

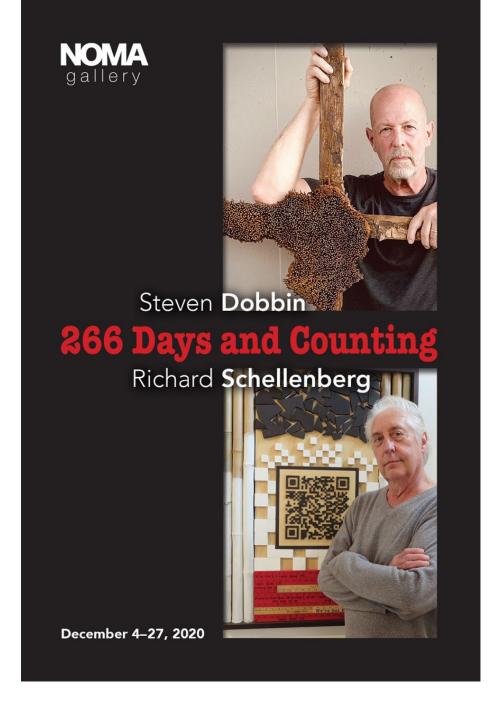
322 North Market Street, Frederick, MD 21701

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

Gallery322.com

gallery322.com

NOMA GALLERY has reopened!



266 Days and Counting has been extended through March 27th.

See this exhibition in person Fridays 12-8, Saturdays 12-8 or Sunday 12-4 or in our <u>Virtual Gallery</u>.

Watch the recorded Artist Talkhere.

266 days and counting...

266 days of wearing a mask

266 days judging others about their lack of a mask

266 days thinking a cough, a sneeze or a running nose could be the beginning of the virus...

266 days that didn't inspire creativity

266 days worrying about flying, pumping gas, public restrooms, supermarkets, restaurants...

266 days of going into the studio at least 25% of the time...

266 days of missing friends and family

266 days of using the virus as an excuse not to do things that I didn't want to do

266 days of walking 5 miles or more a day at the time of this writing...

266 days of no art openings

266 days not caring about sports

266 days where 6 feet doesn't seem far enough

266 days of re-purposing old art work

266 days of making without planning

266 days of planning without making

266 days of wondering how much is too much

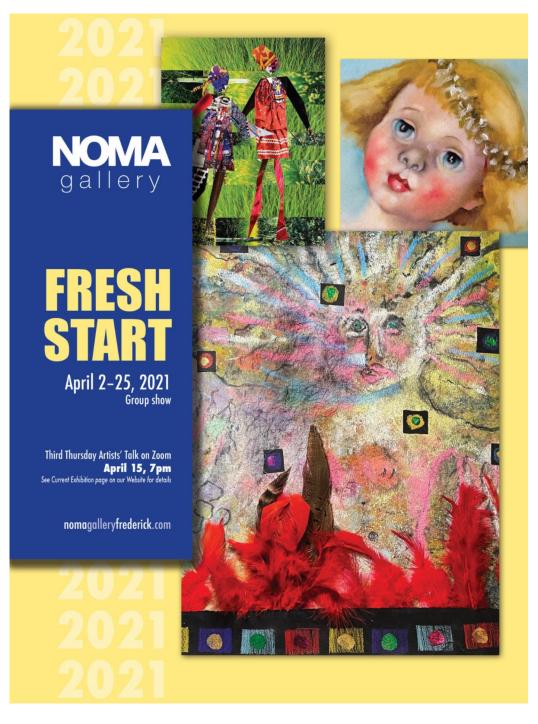
266 days of virtual school, zoom meetings, and social distancing

266 days of trying to find binge-worthy television to watch

266 days of collecting cat food cans for an art piece

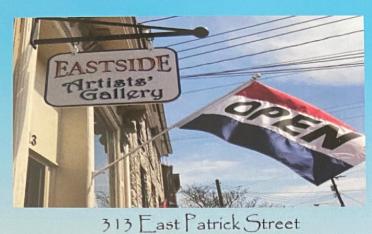
266 days of looking without seeing

266 days and counting...



Join us for a Third Thursday Artists' talk, via Zoom, on April 15 at 7pm. Check our Facebook page for the link.

Eastside Artists' Gallery



313 East Patrick Street Frederick, MD 21701

Upcoming 2021 Shows



January

All Members Show

February

Celebrating

"Fire & |ce"





March
Special Guest
Artist
Mary Waldhorn

Blanche Ames Gallery: "Quilters on the Edge"



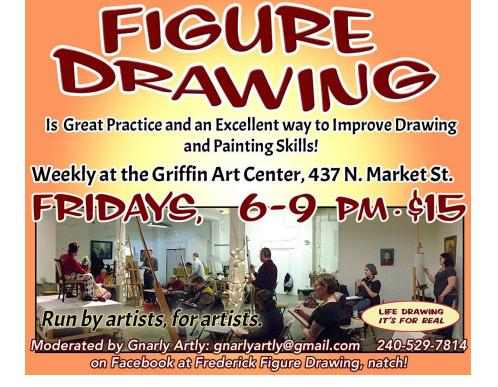
February - March 2021

Art Quilters on the Edge (AQE) was formed in 2019 by members of the Four County Quilters Guild to explore fiber art, mixed media, contemporary quilting and creativity. The current 12 members are: Della Aubrey, Ann Brakob, Karen Amelia Brown, Kay Campbell, Dawn Cynamon, Elsie Dentes, Neani Mee, Olga Schrichte, Etta Stewart, Janie Tegeler, Joan Watkins and Carol Yonetz. Members bring a variety of styles, techniques, and skills to their art. Machine stitching, hand stitching and beading embellish their quilts with artful touches.

Hand dyed, painted, and inked fabrics make their art unique. Members' art has been juried into national and international shows, displayed in galleries, museums, public and government facilities, and traveling exhibits. Multiple awards have been earned by this talented group.

Online Gallery

4880 Elmer Derr Road, Frederick MD



Engage with Frederick's remarkable arts community -- become a Frederick Arts Council member today!











How to submit to the newsletter: Members, please send your information and/or graphics to info@frederickartscouncil.org 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 2021 Newsletter Schedule

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