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.

Sky Stage Opens for 2021 Season

FAC's Sky Stage opened for the 2021 Season on Saturday, May 1st, featuring a daytime makers' market from Sky Pop! and an evening concert by the Eric Byrd Trio.

Upcoming events include Yoga, Literature Night, and an Open Mic Night hosted by Frederick Acoustic Music Enterprise. For dates and times, scroll down to our Sky Stage section or visit https://www.skystagefrederick.com/project/calendar/.
New Exhibition by Artist Lisa Dillin Opens at 5 E. 2nd Street Art Center

A new show featuring the work of artist Lisa Dillin, entitled "Sorry We Missed You," will be opening **Saturday, May 12th** at FAC's 5 E. 2nd Street Art Center.

**Artist Statement:**

*Since March of 2020 the physical and emotional space between each of us has widened like a deep chasm along an active fault line. Our isolation is a necessity in order to protect one another – but, this shared experience has left a lasting impression on us. Sorry we missed you makes tangible the emotional quality of the sustained isolation that characterizes this time.*

**About the Artist:**

Lisa Dillin is an interdisciplinary Baltimore-based artist working primarily in sculpture and participatory art practices. Dillin earned her BFA in photography from Atlanta College of Art in 1998 and her MFA in sculpture from Cranbrook Academy of Art in 2006. Her work has been selected for exhibition at various venues including the Baltimore Museum of Art and The Contemporary Museum in Baltimore, MD, Hamiltonian Gallery and Washington Project for the Arts, in Washington, D.C., Vox Populi and Practice Gallery in Philadelphia, PA, as well as Nurture Art and Transmitter in Brooklyn, NY. Art fairs include the Select Art Fair in NYC, Aqua Art Fair and Artist-Run Art Fair in Miami, FL. Honors include 2014 and 2017 MSAC Individual Artist awards in sculpture, second place prize winner of the Trawick Awards in 2014, and selection as a Sondheim Prize Finalist in 2012.
New Projects in FAC's Barn Art Initiative

FAC launches its barn art initiative this summer. Artists were asked to submit designs inspired by nature or natural materials.

Below, two proposals received from artist Julie Maynard for Doris Malin's barn in Arnoldstown, and artist Matt Mercer for the barn at Lilypons.

Ribbon Cutting Celebrates Artist Lusmerlin's "Black Girl Magic" Mural

FAC recently attended the installation of artist and FAC Board Member Lusmerlin's "Black Girl Magic" mural at the William R. Diggs Memorial Pool. The mural is part of an ongoing initiative to create Black art for installation throughout Frederick.

FAC provided a grant which partially funded the mural and it was originally displayed for several months at Sky Stage.
FAC Board Member & artist Lusmerlin cuts the ribbon on her "Black Girl Magic" mural. Also present is FAC Secretary Paula Rubin-Wexler.

TAG Opens Its New N. Market Gallery Space

The Artists Gallery, one of Frederick's longest-running galleries having been established in 1990, cut the ribbon Friday on its new space at 501 N. Market Street.

FAC’s Director of Operations Gabriella Smith attended and presented a certificate on behalf of County Executive Jan Gardner. Congratulations TAG!

Middletown High School Art Teacher Wins Hood College Teachers’ Award

Middletown High School art teacher Donna Lehman has been named the recipient of the 2021 Charles E. Tressler Distinguished Teacher Award.

The award is given annually by Hood College to a FCPS teacher who has made a significant impact on students.

Lehman, who has been an art teacher at Middletown High since 1998, was nominated by Middletown High Principal Bernard Quesada.

“Donna’s work ethic and her uncompromising moral and high standards are both
rare and refreshing,” Quesada said. “My admiration and respect for her both personally and professionally is unequalled.”

Lehman is the adviser to Middletown High’s photography club in addition to the school’s National Honor Society chapter, which she founded in 2003.

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**BARBARA FRIETCHIE ART INITIATIVE**

**Deadline: May 17, 2021**

**CALL SUMMARY**
The Frederick Arts Council is seeking qualifications for Artist/Teams to submit their proposals for a mural on the wall of the Hauer House next to the Barbara Frietchie House on 154 W Patrick St Frederick, MD. Applications are due on May 17, 2021, finalists will be selected by June 1, 2021 and the expected completion would be July 1, 2021.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**
The Frederick Arts Council is commissioning artists to design and execute either a mosaic or traditional mural and/or mixed-media work, or plant-based sculptural work to transform this corner of the property and create an experience in response to the Barbara Frietchie poem by John Greenleaf Whittier. The artist should also take into account any potential upkeep that may be necessary.

**QUALIFICATIONS**
At this stage, we are requesting that interested applicants submit their CV, examples of their past work, a link to their website or other portfolio platform and a proposal for the wall.

**BUDGET**
The budget for this project is $7,500.

**ELIGIBILITY**
This opportunity is open to all professional artists based in the United States.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**
- Resume
- Work examples
- Letter of Interest
- Budget
- Proposal in PDF format

Please apply through the following link: [https://frederickartsCouncil.sliderroom.com/#/permalink/program/60421](https://frederickartsCouncil.sliderroom.com/#/permalink/program/60421)

Please address any questions to Charlotte Marra, Public Art Program Manager, FAC: charlotte@frederickartsCouncil.org

The Arts Council’s 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. The Frederick Arts Council does not discriminate against any person on the basis of any characteristic described in Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act or on the basis of political opinion or affiliation in any of its policies, procedures or practices and prides itself on maintaining a facility that is accessible to all.

[Application Link](https://frederickartsCouncil.sliderroom.com/#/permalink/program/60421)
Visit the Online Shop

Support your Frederick Arts Council by purchasing some FAC merch! Each purchase supports artists and arts programs.

Purchase online at FrederickArtsCouncil.org and click “shop” on the top right.
Or by stopping in at the new FAC Art Center, 5 E. 2nd St.
Items are available by shipping or via pickup.

For questions email info@frederickartsfcouncil.org

5 East Second Street • www.frederickartsfcouncil.org
The 2021 Frederick Festival of the Arts is still accepting sponsors! The Festival attracts thousands of visitors annually, both local and from around the region, and presents a great visibility opportunity for your business.

Learn more about sponsor benefits and download the sponsorship form here.

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.

Frederick Arts Council Member Spotlight

Frederick Book Arts Center

Interview with Johnny Carrera, Executive Director

The FBAC teaches the craft and techniques associated with the Arts of the Book: Letterpress printing, printmaking, book binding, and photography. Currently offering zoom classes, FBAC is looking forward to again providing in person workshops, field trips, school visits, and classes and exhibitions this summer. FBAC works to create opportunities for everyone to learn, intern, enjoy and display work at our Center.

Favorite Artist:
How does one choose a “favorite artist?” Julie Chen is a contemporary book artist we greatly admire. Julie creates highly crafted artists’ books that incorporate play and creativity. She uses letterpress and traditional bookbinding techniques to create tactile sequential experiences that define what makes an artist’s book different from any other art form on the planet. Her website is: https://flyingfishpress.com/ But we also love Karen Hanmer, a brilliant bookbinder and educator who will be teaching leather paring
techniques in a zoom class for FBAC, and Shawn Sheehy who is the creator of Beyond the Sixth Extinction: A Post-Apocalyptic Pop-Up who will be teaching a four part class in pop-ups starting in May! And the list goes on and on- subscribe to our mailing list to learn about more great artists working with the book arts.

Fun Fact:
The FBAC has made their 1882 Bailey Copy Press available for ceremonial adoption this year. Barbara Rhodes, Hood Graduate and the world’s preeminent scholar on copy presses will help us bring Bailey back to life, performing the task of copying a letter with a technique that revolutionized the business world almost 150 years ago and then was almost completely forgotten for a century. Curious? Find out how to Adopt Bailey and get the whole story on our website.

Contact info:
Email: contact@frederickbookarts.org
Website: www.frederickbookarts.org

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, May 11th @ 5:30 pm -- Yoga with Yogamour
Wednesday, May 12th @ 7:30 pm -- Literature Night w/ Open Mic

Friday, May 14th @ 7 pm -- Open Mic Night with F.A.M.E.
Saturday, May 15th @ 1 pm & 3 pm -- Family Concert: Mr. Jon & Friends

Tuesday, May 18th @ 5:30 pm -- Yoga with Yogamour
Wednesday, May 19th @ 7 pm -- Salsa Under the Stars

Saturday, May 22nd @ 7 pm (doors 6:30) -- Concert: Coronapocalypse "The Final Wars"

Sunday, May 23rd @ 1 pm -- Let There Be Rock School Acoustic Showcase

COVID-19 protocols as regulated by state and county are in place and capacity limits may apply. Details and more events at www.skystagefrederick.com/project/calendar
Sky Stage is a pre-Revolutionary building shell transformed into an all-ages community artspace & venue by artist Heather Clark with a team from MIT. A project of the Frederick Arts Council.

Yoga
all-levels, Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30pm
sign up w/yogamour.org
$10 donation (drop-ins if room)

Literature Night
w/ Open Mic
2nd Wednesdays, 7:30-9:30pm
Free

Salsa Under the Stars
3rd Wednesdays, 7-10pm
starts w/brief lesson
$5 donation, reg w/Frederick Salsa

Swing Dance
1st Thursdays, June-Oct, 7-10pm
Starts w/brief lesson
Reg. @RevolutionModernDance.com

Drum Circle
w/ Notable Progressions
1st Fridays, 5:30-6:30pm
Free/$5 suggested donation

Comedy Night
Standup & Improv
Most* 4th Fridays, 7:30-9:30pm
$5-10 Eventbrite/door

SkyPop!
Pop-up artist & maker market
1st Saturdays, 11am-3 or 4pm

Theater
Variable days/times* June-Sept
Shakespeare Fest, July-Aug
Tix online/door/donations

Sky Stage Presents
live bands & ensembles varied* Fridays or Saturdays
most $10 Eventbrite/door

Frederick Jazz Festival presents
Summer Nights Series
4th Saturdays, June-July-Aug
7:15-9:30pm
$20 Eventbrite/door; $45 pkg.

F.A.M.E. Open Mic
Frederick Acoustic Music Enterprise
2nd Fridays, 7-9pm
Free, reg. w/FAME

Jazz Jams
w/ Valley Jazz Collective
Sundays, Aug-Oct, 4-7pm,
varied host bands
$10 door to play or listen

*For details & more events, visit us at:
SKYSTAGEFREDERICK.COM

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Be a part of your community's art.
Call for FY22 Creativity Grant Panelists

By reviewing and scoring grant applications, Creativity Grant panelists help artists and small organizations across Maryland make an impact on their communities! Applications include proposals for project-based work and general operating support for organizations.

What to Expect as a Panelist
- Panelists complete application reviews online on their own time during the middle of the month over a 1-year period (July 2021 - June 2022).
- Approximately 5 of a total of 10 panelists review applications each month; the schedule of panelists completing reviews rotates based on the disciplines and needs represented in the month's applications (a panelist will not serve all 12 months during a term).
- Panelists typically review approximately 25-35 applications per month, which requires approximately 8 to 10 hours to complete over a 2-week period (total varies from month to month).
- A required online panelist orientation will take place in June 2021. (Date TBD.)
- The first review for FY22 panelists takes place in July 2021.
- Panelists receive compensation of $50 for the training, along with $200 per monthly review.

What We’re Looking For
- A total of 10 panelists for FY22.
- Independent artists, arts administrators, fundraisers, arts enthusiasts, and students interested in serving Maryland's arts sector while gaining experience and insight in the grant review process.
- Individuals who represent expertise in the disciplines that the Creativity Grant supports: Music, Visual Arts, Media Arts, Theatre, Dance, Literary Arts, Arts in Education, Folk/Traditional Arts, Arts Services, and Multi-Disciplinary Arts.

How do I apply to be a panelist?
- Submit your application via MSAC's online grants management system, SmartSimple.
- Click this Apply Now link to log in or create a free account in SmartSimple.
- Under Funding Opportunities, select "Public Call."
- Select "Panelist" from the drop down options and click "Save Draft" to populate the application.
- Select “Creativity Grant” as the Grant Program.
Enjoy a Free Opera Performance by the Washington National Opera at Hidden Hills Farm and Vineyard!

Sunday, May 23rd, 2 pm
7550 Green Valley Road, Frederick

The Washington National Opera will be bringing its pop-up truck to Hidden Hills Farm and Vineyard for a free public performance.
Enjoy local wine while listening to world-class vocal music.
DANCE WITH US!
SUMMER CLASSES

5 WEEK EVENING CLASSES
Ages 18 Mo. - Adult
June 28 - July 30

WILLY WONKA KIDS
Musical Theatre Factory
Kids Show Ages 6-14
June 28 - July 2
Production July 3

PRINCESS CAMP
Camp A July 5-9
Camp B July 26-30
Ages 3-6
End of Week Performance

MORE THAN DANCE CAMP
Camp A July 5-9
Camp B July 26-30
Ages 6-12
End of Week Performance

DISNEY'S HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL JR.
Musical Theatre Factory Jr. Show
Ages 6-18
July 12-16
Performance July 17

DISNEY'S FROZEN KIDS
Musical Theatre Factory Kids Show
Ages 6-14
July 19-23
Performance July 24

24/7 Dance Studio
WWW.24-7DANCESTUDIO.COM

301-846-4247
Princess Camp

Camp A July 5 - 9
Camp B July 26 - 30
9:00-12:30pm
Ages 3-6

482 A Prospect Blvd. Frederick, MD
301-846-4247

24-7dancestudio.com
'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 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:**
Friday, 11am - 5pm  
Saturday, 11am - 5pm  
Sunday, 12pm - 5pm

pottersguildoffrederick.com
Author: Will Englund

“Sometimes, I guess, you just go where your nose leads you.” – Will Englund

William A. Englund (born March 30, 1953) is a Pulitzer-prize-winning, American journalist, and author. He graduated from Harvard College with an A.B. in English and a M.S. from the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. Says Englund, "I studied English literature as a Harvard undergraduate, because I figured novels would be more interesting than textbooks, yet it was the master’s program at Columbia University’s journalism school that actually taught me something about writing."

Englund spent over 4 decades in the news business. His first experience in journalism was with the The Record, in Bergen County, New Jersey. Then, in 1977, he joined the Baltimore Sun and remained there till 2008 when he became a White House correspondent for the National Journal. Two years later he joined the Washington Post.

While at The Baltimore Sun, Englund was an editorial writer and an associate editor. His taste for foreign foreign assignments came in 1988 when he and his wife, Kathy Lally, worked for the Glasgow Herald as part of a Fulbright scholarship to the United Kingdom.

Englund's first gained notoriety in 1998 with the award of a Pulitzer Prize for investigative reporting for his series, with Gary Cohn, on the Shipbreaking Industry. Shipbreaking is when ships are scrapped (broken apart) for their steel. The series focused on the health and safety hazards that salvage workers faced due to lack of training. That same year he received the George Polk award and an Overseas Press Club prize for the same work.

Total, Englund spent twelve years assigned to Russia as a foreign correspondent. It was during one assignment that Englund saw a plaque on the wall of a church in St. Petersburg commemorating parishioners who had died during the First World War. He was struck by the fact that thought 1.7 million Russian Soldiers were killed in the WWI, yet this was the only public memorial he could remember seeing in Russia. Their memory had been obliterated. Englund credits that plaque as the catalyst for writing, *March 1917: On the Brink of War and Revolution*.

In December 2019, Englund was named as The Washington Post's new energy reporter for Business. Englund still is married to Kathy Lally, their two daughters are grown and flown, and he still lives in Baltimore and commutes every day to the Washington Post to work the foreign desk.

**Sample Reading List:** "Shipbreakers" a series of stories on the shipbreaking industry, "March 1917: On the Brink of War and Revolution"

**Fun With Words** - Maryland Writers Association (MWA) invites you to have fun being an investigative journalist like William. With just 100 words, pick any serious crime, political corruption, or corporate wrong and write an investigative report. Submit your Fun With Words response to: https://marylandwriters.org/Notable_Maryland_Authors by the 25th of the month and receive an MWA Fun With Words submission certificate. Selected responses will be published with next month’s article.

The MWA is a 33-year-old state-wide association (501c3) dedicated to encouraging and mentoring Maryland writers, poets, playwrights, and authors. Go to: www.MarylandWriters.org for more info.
The Weinberg Center remains closed. For information on upcoming events, visit weinbergcenter.org.

This summer, MET will be back in their space and offering their wildly popular summer performing arts camp: FUNCamp 2021!

The safety of our campers, staff, and artists is of the utmost importance to MET and they are putting procedures in place to assure that your young performers will be in good hands. Rest assured, FUNCamp will bring all the drama your campers love this summer, with sessions ranging from Musical Theatre to Circus Camp to Improv Comedy!

Space is limited so enroll today at https://marylandensemble.org/fun-camp-2021/!

Performing for over 28 years, The Comedy Pigs are the region’s longest-running improv troupe,
and after bringing us almost a full year of virtual shows, they are getting ready for some much-earned R&R before they return to the stage next season.

Don't miss their final virtual performance this Friday at 9pm on twitch.tv/metcomedynight!

marylandensemble.org

freerangeworld.com

Free Range Humans has announced their summer 2021 season and has opportunities for performers, teachers, production staff, venue employees, and partnerships. We also have space available for artists to offer summer classes, either through us or by partnering with their organization. We are flexible in our rates and arrangements. Please visit our website for more information:

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PARTNERSHIPS
FREE RANGE KIDS
FREE RANGE TEENS
NUNSENSE
A Musical Comedy

Book, Music & Lyrics by
Dan Goggin

MAY 14, 15, 21, 22 at 8:00 p.m.
MAY 16, 23 at 2:00 p.m.

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Visual Art Exhibits
MAY 2021  EXHIBITIONS • PROGRAMS • WORKSHOPS

FIRST SATURDAY, MAY 1
Exhibition Openings | On-site & online | FREE
Art Matters Artist Talk | 2 pm | Zoom Webinar | FREE
National Juried Exhibition juror Margaret Winslow, Curator of Contemporary Art at the Delaware Art Museum, discusses her selection and award process.

Delaplaine at Home: Creative Outlet | YouTube | FREE
Kids can view a video by Brittany Locke to learn how to create a flower fold book! You can pick up a kit from our Art Cart or use materials you find at home.

ART AT NOON: COMMUNITY PARTICIPATORY PHOTOGRAPHY
Friday, MAY 14 • 12-1 pm | Zoom Webinar | FREE
Laura Sherwood will discuss the Photovoice Empowerment Project and her research into empowering communities and organizations through visual storytelling to communicate effectively and influence social change.

UPCOMING MINI-CLASSES & WORKSHOPS
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
Metalsmithing: Adorn Yourself with Creativity | Wednesday, MAY 12 • 6-9 pm
Exploring Pastels | Thursdays, MAY 13, 20 & 27 • 6-9 pm
Introduction to Monotypes | Saturdays, MAY 22 & 29 • 10 am-4 pm

View and register for classes and Summer Art Camps for kids and teens at delaplaine.org
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Works that reflect changes made in the past year and that speak to incredible loss, adversity, despair and, yes, joy, regeneration, gain and the “New Normal.”

May 5 - May 30, 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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Exhibit Dates:
May 7 - May 30, 2021

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
May 7, 2021 at 2:30

Hours and Location
Fri. & Sat. 12-8
Sun. 12-4
501 N. Market St.
Frederick, MD 21701

Visit our website: TAG/theartistsgalleryfrederick.com
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TAG/The Artists Gallery
501 N Market St / Frederick / MD
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Hours: Fri. 12-8 / Sat. 12-8 / Sun. 12-4
Free plein air painting demo with Tom Semmes
Sunday May 30 / 3pm

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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
Caroline Mayer has been busy during the shut-down year producing paintings of hope and light and joy, portraying the most accessible of wildlife: birds. Come and enjoy “The Thing with Feathers.”

On view April 30 – May 30, 2021. Third Thursday Artist’s Talk on Zoom-May 20, 7pm.

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

nomagalleryfrederick.com

Eastside Artists' Gallery
Upcoming 2021 Shows

April
Jill Hossler
Acrylics
Gouache

May
Arden McElroy
Acrylics

June
Kathryn Phebus
Sonja Mishalanie
Various Mediums
BLANCHE AMES GALLERY virtually presents “Flora, Fauna, Fantasy-Next Realm” Paintings by Brenda Murphy

Visit homepage of FrederickUU.org Tap “Online Art Gallery” Easy to peruse and easy to purchase. Show runs May 2 through June 27 Artist talk May 2, 11:30-1:45. Go to Friendly Forum on home page.

Online Gallery
4880 Elmer Derr Road, Frederick MD
Engage with Frederick's remarkable arts community -- become a Frederick Arts Council member today!

Learn More

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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