



**FAC**  
FREDERICK  
ARTS COUNCIL



## 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.](#)

## New Exhibition at FAC Art Center: "Creative Gateways: Expressing Frederick's Distinct Identity"



# CREATIVE GATEWAYS

*Expressing  
Frederick's  
Distinct Identity*

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An Ideas Exhibition  
Nov 26–Mar 31



The Frederick Arts Council announces the opening of a new exhibition, “Creative Gateways: Expressing Frederick’s Distinct Identity--*An Ideas Exhibit*”. FAC invites the public to imagine how public artworks may inform and enhance entryways and roundabouts throughout the county. FAC’s “Creative Gateway” exhibition is located in the main exhibition hall, second floor, of the FAC Art Center at 5 East 2<sup>nd</sup> St.

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.

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## **FAC Holds Holiday Open House at 5 E. 2nd Street Art Center**

The Frederick Arts Council recently held a holiday open house at the 5 E. 2nd Street art center to celebrate the arts this holiday season and thank our many members and local arts supporters. Festive jazz accompaniment was provided by the [Eric Byrd Trio](#). (photo credits Asa T. Weeks, IG:[@asatweeks](#))

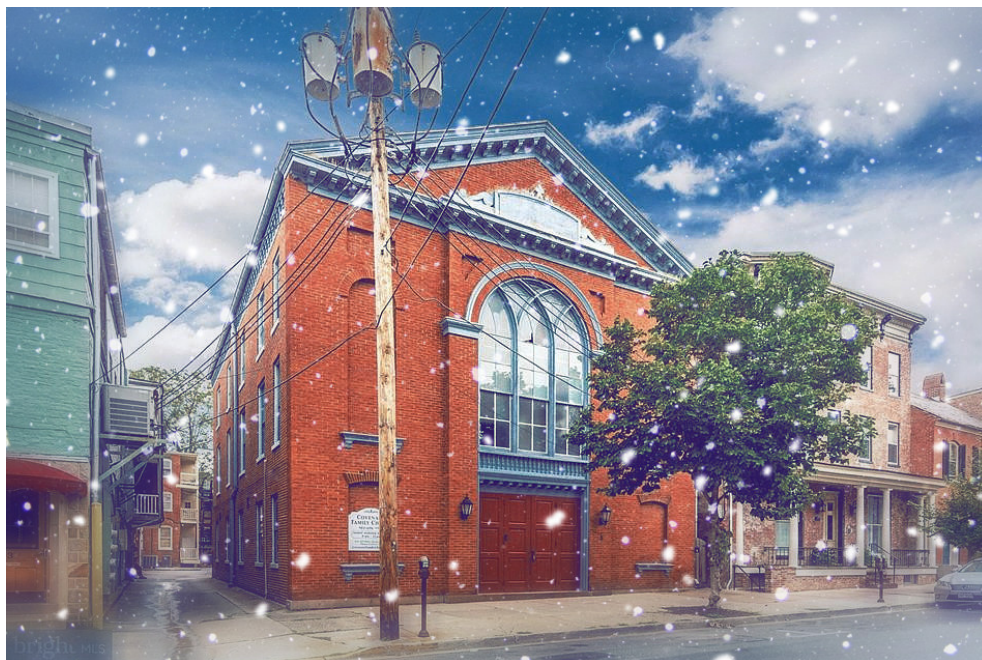






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## FAC's Holiday Art Showcase Continues!



The Holiday Art Showcase continues throughout the rest of December during the Art Center's regular business hours, with displays of original fine art and community activities in the Creative Lab. Pop-up markets will be open on the weekends. Check out the schedule below and plan to stop by:

**Regular Business Hours:**

- Monday - Thursday: 10am - 5pm
- Friday: 11am - 4pm

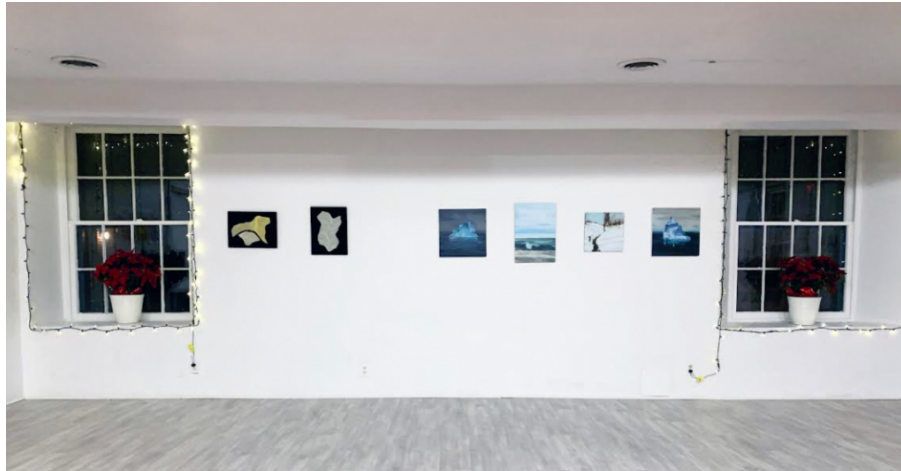
- Saturday & Sunday: 11am - 5pm

**Pop-up Markets:**

- Sunday, December 12th: 11am - 2pm
- Saturday, December 18th: 11am - 2pm
- Sunday, December 19th: 11am - 2pm

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## **Flat File Exhibition Open on FAC Art Center First Floor**



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 this holiday season. See inventory and purchase a piece [here](#).

### **Participating Artists:**

Sue Crawford  
Lauren Rice  
Julia Clouser  
Melissa Cormier  
Alana Yap  
Ann Schafer  
Karin Birch  
Matthew Davis  
Sara Caporaletti  
Suzy Kopf  
Jillian MacMaster  
Liana Owad  
Fanni Somogyi  
Priyanka Kumar  
Samantha Sethi

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## **Hood College Ceramics Exhibition Now Open at 11 W Patrick Street Gallery**



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.

### Participating Artists:

Chaz Martinsen  
Asma Waheed  
Jenna Gianni  
Shari Jacobs  
Jason Laney  
Clarissa Yeap

[Artist Bios & More Info](#)



## GET YOUR SWAG ON

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

Purchase online at [FrederickArtsCouncil.org](http://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 pick-up.

For questions  
email [info@frederickartscouncil.org](mailto:info@frederickartscouncil.org)

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**Visit the Online Shop**



# 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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## Artist Feedback Sought through “The Future of Artist Employment in Maryland” Survey

MSAC is spending the year focusing on improving its efforts to connect Maryland artists with employment opportunities across the state. This month, make your voice heard by participating in “The Future of Artist Employment in Maryland” survey, available at [this link](#).

This survey follows a series of five public dialogues MSAC hosted in September, in which artists responded to prompts about the artist employment initiative. The survey solicits responses to the same prompts. The required prompts should take about five minutes to complete. The required and optional prompts should take about twenty minutes to complete. Per request, responses logged during the September dialogues have been aggregated and published for reference. Survey respondents interested in reviewing those materials may access them at [this link](#).

Responses to the survey will make up part of the data that will inform the creation of a responsive program that strives to meet the needs of Maryland’s artists. The anticipated rollout of this program is summer 2022.

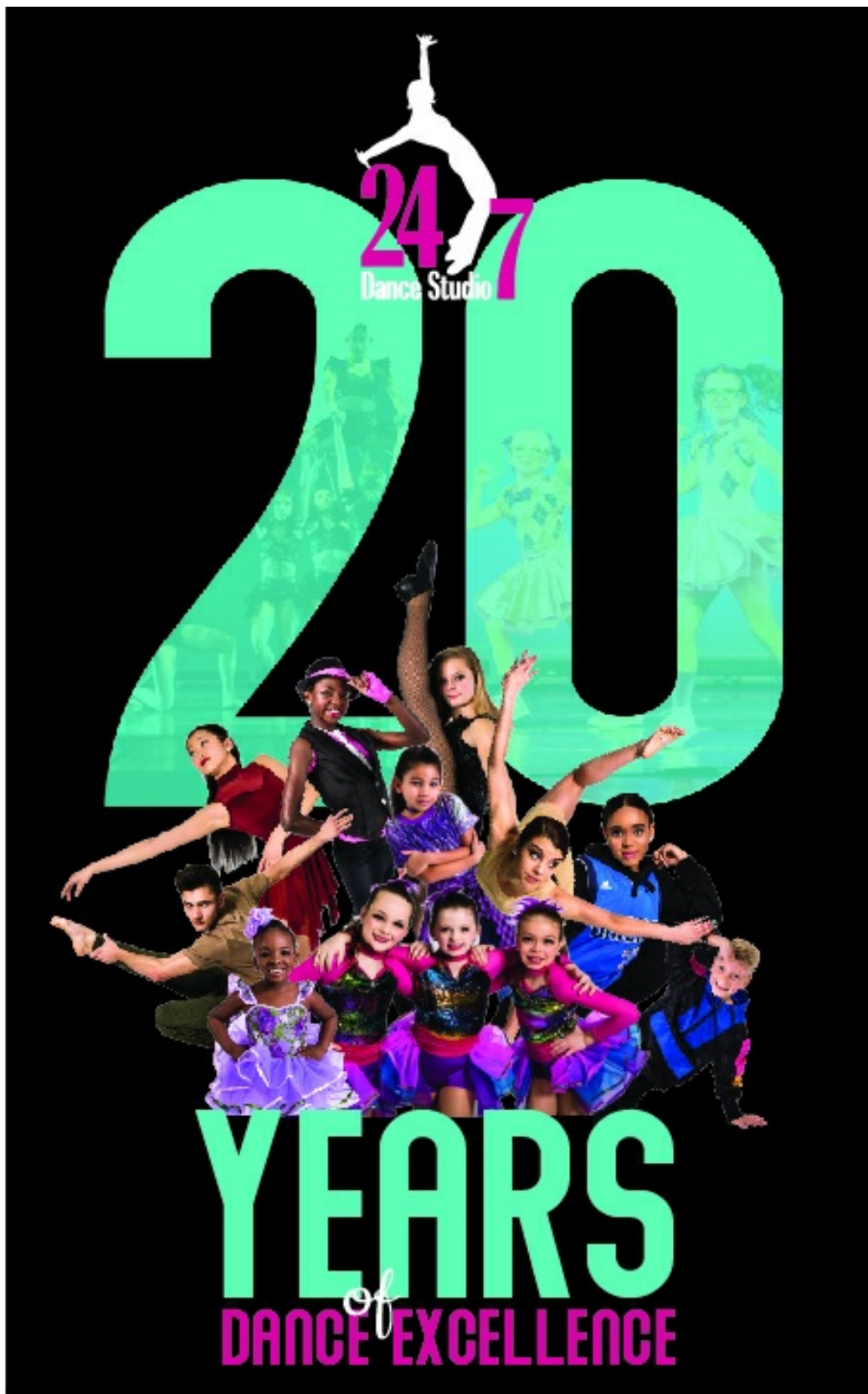
For questions, contact Senior Program Director Chad Buterbaugh at [chad.buterbaugh@maryland.gov](mailto:chad.buterbaugh@maryland.gov) or 443-469-8239.

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

We look forward to seeing you next year!



**24/7 Dance Launches Weinberg Benefit in Memory of  
Longtime Arts Supporter**





Mrs. Cinda "Cindy" Jean (Cecil) Spurrier passed away November 27, 2021 after a 5 month battle with lung cancer. Cindy was a huge supporter of the performing arts, and volunteered her time at countless recitals, plays and performances in Frederick County for over 50 years. The staff, families and students of 24/7 Dance Studio had the pleasure of Cindy's countless hours of support since the studio opened its doors 20 years ago.

Cindy volunteered at and enjoyed numerous recitals and performances at The Weinberg Center for the Arts in Frederick, MD (founded in 1926). To honor Cindy, we are raising funds to provide the Weinberg Center with LED lighting that all of Frederick County artists can enjoy.

Please join us in continuing Cindy's love and support of the arts as well as paying tribute to an amazing woman.

[Visit GoFundMe Page](#)

[24-7dancestudio.com](http://24-7dancestudio.com)



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**Ages 8-18**

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**Performances**

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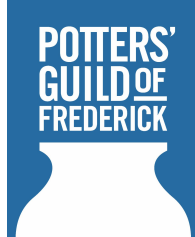
**Friendships**

**Fun!**

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

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

**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 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](mailto:info@pottersguildoffrederick.com) to request an invite. Please visit the Potters' Guild website ([www.pottersguildoffrederick.com](http://www.pottersguildoffrederick.com)) for details and explanation of scheduled activities.

#### Gallery Hours:

Thursday	11am – 5pm
Friday	11am – 5pm
Saturday	10am – 8pm
Sunday	12pm – 5pm

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

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## Author, Singer, Playwright Wows Kids with WOW Writing Formula.

**Author: Mary Amato**

**Genre: Children's Fiction**

"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 Wants 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](http://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](http://marylandwriters.org)

## Concerts

**Upcoming Concerts from the National String Symphonia**





FOCUS - Jazz (with strings attached)  
featuring saxophonist Howard Burns

Sunday, March 27, 2022  
2:00 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

Sunday, April 24, 2022  
2:00 p.m.

New Spire Arts  
15 W Patrick St.  
Frederick, MD 21701

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

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

## Theater



The Weinberg is open with COVID-19 protocols in place.  
For more upcoming events, visit [weinbergcenter.org](http://weinbergcenter.org).



Maryland Ensemble Theatre's Fun Company  
**A Christmas Carol**

FRI DECEMBER 17, 2021 | 7:30 PM —  
SUN DECEMBER 19, 2021 | 2:00 PM

A live theatrical play for both the young and young-at-heart, experience the beloved holiday story with a message that never grows old. [More Info](#)



The Frederick Children's Chorus

**Messiah Sing Along**

TUE DECEMBER 21, 2021 | 8:00 PM

Join your fellow music lovers, a professional orchestra, superstar soloists, and a magnificent stage chorus! [More Info](#)



Flying Dog Film Series presents

**Best in Show (2000)**

WED DECEMBER 29, 2021 | 7:30 PM

Hilarious and offbeat grownup humor!  
[More Info](#)

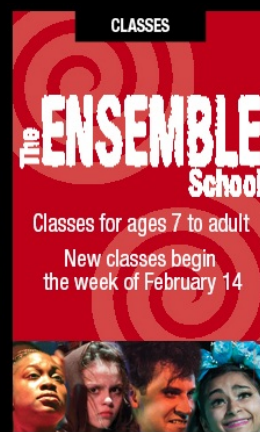


**1964 The Tribute**

FRI JANUARY 7, 2022 | 8:00 PM

The "Best Beatles Tribute on Earth" (Rolling Stone). [More Info](#)





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



# HOLIDAY CHEER

*A December Cabaret*

December 11th at 2 PM and 7 PM

December 12th at 2 PM

*other voices*  
**Theatre**

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

**Visual Art Exhibits**

# THE DELAPLAINE *arts* CENTER

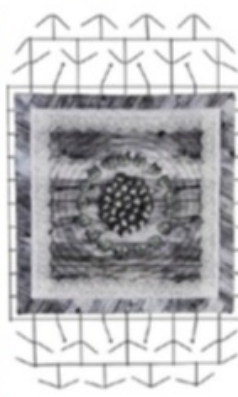
Everyone  
Deserves  
Art



**KIMO WILLIAMS**  
**Faces of Vietnam**  
*Photography*  
Through Dec 26



**ROBERT WARREN, JR.**  
**The Native Orchids of  
Catoctin Mountain**  
*Photography*  
Dec 4–Jan 30



**CAROL WILLIAMS**  
**The Craftivist**  
*Quilted wall hangings*  
Through Dec 26



**FREDERICK CAMERA  
CLIQUE**  
**Members Exhibition**  
Dec 4–26



**GAITHERSBURG  
FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION**  
**Members Exhibition**  
Dec 4–26

## **DECEMBER 2021** EXHIBITIONS • PROGRAMS • WORKSHOPS

### **FIRST SATURDAY, DEC 4**

**Exhibition Openings** | On-site & Online | FREE

**Art Matters Artist Talk** | 2 pm | On-Site | FREE

Artist and Delaplaine instructor **Lesa Cook** discusses her artistic history, practice, and work as an art educator.

**Super Secret Elf Workshop** | 1 pm or 3 pm | On-site | \$5 per artist

Elves can join us at our North Pole Workshop to create craft projects to give as holiday gifts! Includes one secret holiday art project and gift bag.

### **GIFT GALLERY POP-UP**

Saturday, **Dec 4** • 9 am - 5pm & Sunday, **Dec 5** • 11 am - 5 pm | On-site

Shop handmade fabric items created by members of the Clustered Spires Quilt Guild.

Perfect for gift giving or for treating yourself!

### **Extended Gift Gallery holiday shopping hours:**

Open until 9 pm Thursdays in December, or visit our online store anytime.

### **ART AT NOON • GERALDINE LLOYD: IN THE GROOVE**

Friday, **Dec 10** • 12 pm | On-site | FREE

Artist, author, and activist Geraldine Lloyd's multi-medium art and writing examines the intersection of addiction and spirituality as it relates to creativity.

### **WINTER CLASSES NOW ENROLLING**

**Drawing • Painting • Jewelry • Fiber • Printmaking • Woodworking**

See the full schedule and register online at **DELAPLAINE.ORG**

[delaplaine.org](https://delaplaine.org)

# This Holiday Season, Give the Gift of Original Art!



Piccola Pittura (Oil on Canvas)

Michael Kraniski

## DISTRICT Arts

Contemporary Art in the Historic District

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](http://districtarts.com)

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# Jolly!

**ART EXHIBITION  
& POP-UP SHOP**

**AFFORDABLE  
ART & UNIQUE  
ONE OF A KIND  
GIFTS**

**@ TAG/THE ARTISTS GALLERY  
501 N MARKET ST**

*December 3 - 26 • 2021*

**Reception: Saturday, December 4, 5-8pm**

**[theartistsgalleryfrederick.com](http://theartistsgalleryfrederick.com)**



TAG/The Artists Gallery  
501 N Market St / Frederick / MD  
301-220-9860  
[tagfrederick@gmail.com](mailto:tagfrederick@gmail.com)  
FB: [theartistsgalleryfrederick](https://www.facebook.com/theartistsgalleryfrederick)  
IG: [tagfrederick](https://www.instagram.com/tagfrederick)  
[theartistsgalleryfrederick.com](http://theartistsgalleryfrederick.com)

Hours: Fri. 12-8 / Sat. 12-8 / Sun. 12-4  
The gallery will close early on  
December 24 at 4pm and is closed  
on December 25.



# JURIED ART EXHIBITION BEING SEEN

@ TAG/ THE ARTISTS GALLERY

March 4 - 27/2022

apply @  
[theartistsgalleryfrederick.com](http://theartistsgalleryfrederick.com)



[theartistsgalleryfrederick.com](http://theartistsgalleryfrederick.com)  
[tagfrederick@gmail.com](mailto:tagfrederick@gmail.com)  
FB: [theartistsgalleryfrederick](https://www.facebook.com/theartistsgalleryfrederick) / IG: [tagfrederick](https://www.instagram.com/tagfrederick)  
501 N. Market St., Frederick, MD 21701

## CALL FOR ART

Deadline: January 15



Juror:  
Matt Klos

Open to artists 18+ living in MD/DC/VA/WV/PA/DE. Eligible works include original paintings, drawings, prints, mixed media, photographs, and sculpture. Awards will be presented during the reception. For info and to apply visit: [theartistsgalleryfrederick.com](http://theartistsgalleryfrederick.com) or find us on **CaFE** ([callforentry.org](http://callforentry.org)).

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# GALLERY 322



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

**322 North Market Street, Frederick, MD 21701**

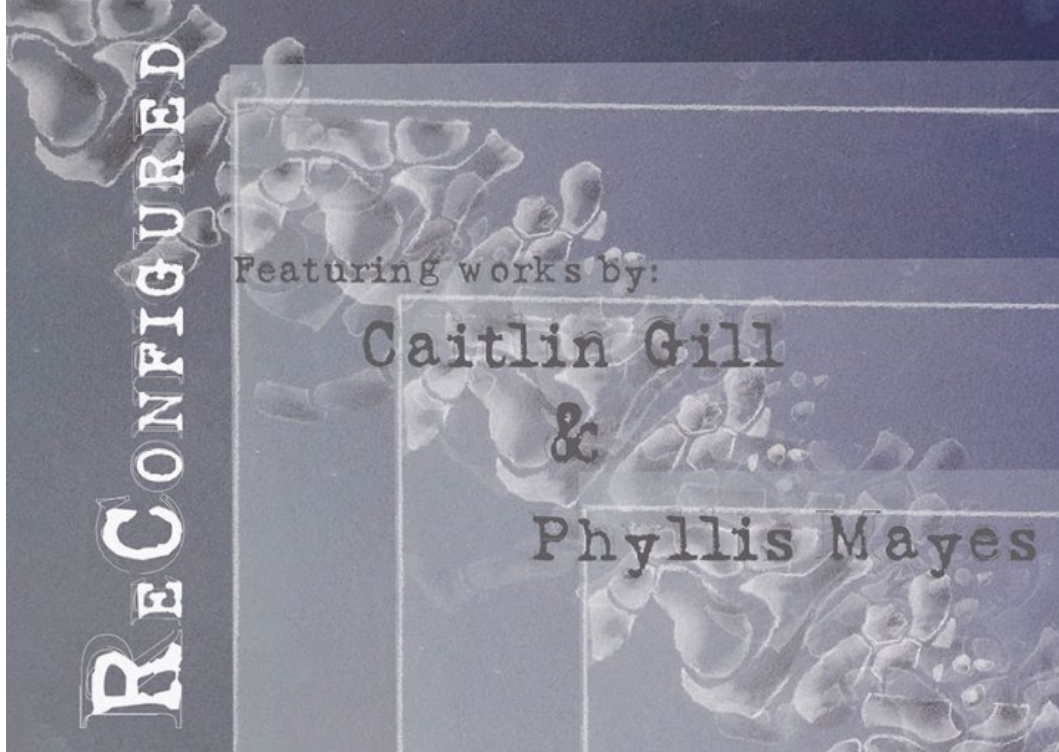
Friday 4-7pm; Saturday & Sunday 12-5pm  
and of course, open by appointment.

Gallery322.com

[gallery322.com](http://gallery322.com)

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**December 3-26, 2021**

**First Saturday Opening: December 4 | 5-8pm**

**Artist led Workshop: Sunday, December 12 | 1pm–3pm**

**Third Thursday Artist Talk: December 16 | 7-8pm**

Reconfigured explores the relationship between beauty and the grotesque. This juxtaposition creates a weird, cognitive dissonance that is not entirely unpleasant. The resignation that beauty is always suspect, but still must be pursued, anchors Mayes and Gill's investigation into the tension between these two aesthetics.

Themes prevalent in both artists' work include: femininity, whimsy, distortion, beauty, youth and fragility. Both artists articulate their complicated and nuanced relationships with social pressures and constructs while simultaneously navigating their journey as individuals, artists and specifically, women.

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

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

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**September 26th, 2021 - January 9th, 2022**  
**Opening Reception: Saturday, November 6th, 7 pm to 9 pm**

**Gallery Hours: Monday through Friday, 10 am-4 pm; Saturday, 10 am-1 pm; and Sunday Noon-3 pm**

Y Art Center | 115 E. Church St.

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# BLANCHE AMES GALLERY

Presents

**"Nature: Impression to Abstract"**  
**Barbara Kenny's 7<sup>th</sup> Solo Art Show**



"Evening" Oil, 11"X14"

**Show opening at UUCF**

**Sunday, November 7, 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**

**4880 Elmer Derr Road, Frederick**

**View show Tues., Wed., Thurs. Fri. mornings**

**Or by appointment:**

**[BAGalleryappointment@gmail.com](mailto:BAGalleryappointment@gmail.com)**

**Include name, phone, date/time wish to view show.**

**Show runs Nov.7 through Jan. 2**

**[Online Gallery](#)**

**4880 Elmer Derr Road, Frederick MD**

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# FIGURE DRAWING

Is Great Practice and an Excellent way to Improve Drawing and Painting Skills!

Weekly at the Griffin Art Center, 437 N. Market St.

**FRIDAYS, 6-9 PM. \$15**

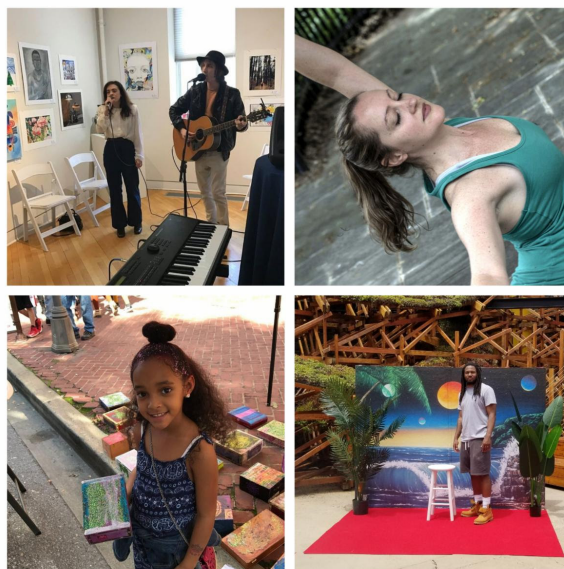


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on Facebook at Frederick Figure Drawing, natch!

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**How to submit to the newsletter:** Members, please send your information and/or graphics to [info@frederickartscouncil.org](mailto: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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