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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 Offering Resources for Emerging Arts Development Initiative (READI) Grants

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 maintain a strong and stable arts infrastructure in Frederick.

The READI grants provide opportunities to serve the growing needs of arts projects and collaborations within Frederick.

Applicants may only submit one application by **March 1st**. The READI grants support eligible activities of Independent Artists and Small Organizations, with grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,000. There is no matching fund requirement.

[Download Grant Guidelines](#)

Apply Now

Mike Shaffer's "Intersections": Virtual Artist Talk

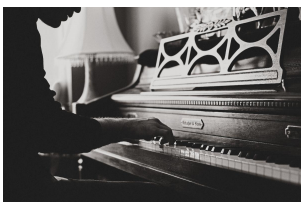
**Saturday, March 6th, 1 pm
Instagram Live**



Please join us next Saturday, March 6th, at 1 pm for a virtual artist talk!
Artist Mike Shaffer will be presenting on his multi-location exhibit "Intersections" via Instagram Live. Find the stream on the Arts Council's Instagram account, [@frederickartscouncil_official](https://www.instagram.com/frederickartscouncil_official).

"Intersections" by Frederick artist Mike Shaffer is currently on view at both the 5 E. 2nd Street art center and FAC's 11 W. Patrick Street gallery. Shaffer's colorful, larger-than-life tower structures speak to his love for multidisciplinary art and his desire to create work that is uniquely entertaining, thought-provoking, important and relevant.

Mike Shaffer operates out of his studio in Ijamsville where he is active in the arts community. Shaffer has exhibited in over 200 formal group exhibitions in his long career in addition to twenty-four solo exhibitions and received over a dozen awards and honors for his artistic accomplishments.



Thelma Gross Music Scholarships Open

The Thelma Gross Music Scholarships are currently open for applications. Scholarship monies are available for students ages 5 to 17 who are pursuing vocal or instrumental instruction in a group or individualized setting.

Applications are being sought from Frederick County Public School students attending kindergarten through 11th grade, who are in need of

financial assistance to pursue training in vocal or instrumental performance.

- Applications will be considered from elementary, middle and high school students who have demonstrated talent and commitment to pursuing private music instruction.
- Applications must request funding for private instruction only.

Application Deadline: March 4, 2021

[Download Application Guidelines](#)

Applications Open for 2021 Festival of the Arts



There's still time to apply to show your work at the 2021 Frederick Festival of the Arts!

Festival Dates: June 11th-13th, 2021

[Apply Now](#)

Red Lester Bowie Hoodies Now Available at FAC Shop



NEW SHOP ITEM

Check our online shop
to see all items for sale!

The FAC shop has an exciting new item!

Our RED Limited Edition Lester Bowie hoodies (\$35) are now available online and at the FAC Art Center and Gallery on E 2nd Street. Show your support for the arts in Frederick and stay warm as we look forward to spring.

The design features the Lester Bowie mural by Rafael Blanco at 69 S. Market Street.

Visit the Online
Shop



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.

FAC's ArtMart

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

Sumner Crenshaw



Sumner Crenshaw is a surrealist and figurative painter, whose paintings pay particular attention to themes of overcoming anxiety and finding strength. In her more surreal pieces, exaggerated figures pull from mythology and folklore to explore ideas of anxiety and struggle, while in her lively “Curly Girl” paintings, are confident figures strutting across the canvas in a show of empowerment and feminism.

She currently lives in historic downtown Frederick and spends her time creating art and spoiling her two dachshunds!

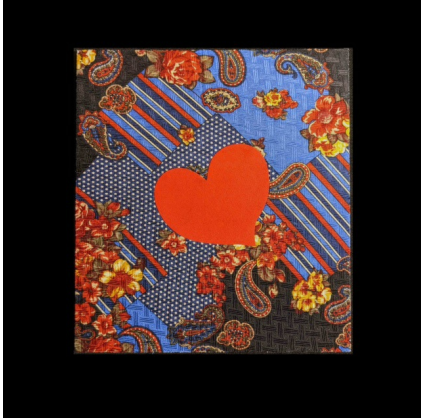


Today we are featuring her work titled “My Demon” oil on wood painting, 30”x24” available at The Muse (19 N Market St)

If interested in her other works, visit her website www.sumnercrenshaw.com or email at sumner@shopthemuse.com. Instagram : [@sumnercrenshaw_art](https://www.instagram.com/sumnercrenshaw_art)

Frederick Arts Council Member Spotlight

Blanche Ames Gallery



Interview with Carol Topchik, Visual Arts Committee, Blanche Ames Gallery

Summary of Artwork/Mission:

Blanche Ames Gallery champions the goal of supporting the community as a clearing house for ideas and aesthetic issues. The gallery is currently offering virtual shows open to the public. Go to [FrederickUU.org](https://frederickuu.org) and click on the “Online Art Gallery” button to view the current show of Art Quilters on the Edge which runs through March. Purchases may be made on the site: <https://uu-congregation-of-frederick.square.site/s/shop>

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 include: 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 such as machine stitching, hand stitching and beading.

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.

The quilt group meets monthly to encourage creativity and personal growth as we explore fiber and mixed media arts sharing new techniques through hands-on experimentation and demonstrations. We issue challenges yearly, share new skills and techniques, and share our work in a supportive environment.

Fun Fact:

Blanche Ames (1878-1969) was an exceptional Unitarian Universalist. She illustrated a seven-volume treatise on orchids which was written by her husband Oakes. She was a cartoonist, a portraitist, a feminist, a leader in civic and charitable affairs, an inventor, an engineer and an author. Her work can be found at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and at Harvard, Dartmouth and Columbia.

Contact info:

Address: 4880 Elmer Derr Rd
Frederick MD 21703, US
Email: gallery@frederickuu.org
Phone: 301-473-7680
Website: www.frederickuu.org/arts

Photo: "YOU have my heart", by Kay Campbell
Fiber, 8"X7



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>

skystagefrederick.com

[Text Link](#)



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



Arts Education in Maryland Schools

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 2 - Arts Education is a Civil Right](#)
 - [March 9 - Arts Education is Transformational](#)
 - [March 16 - How Decisions Are Made](#)
 - [March 23 - How to Influence Change](#)
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FREDERICK COUNTY RESIDENTS:
YOU'RE INVITED TO CHORDS OF
COURAGE

Intergenerational Songwriting Studio

Join us as we collaborate
together to write one powerful
song through Zoom.

Bringing seniors (60+) and students
(5th-12th grade) together to write a song
about the times in which we live.
Program results in a music video of the
group song.

There is no cost to participate in this songwriting program due
to our wonderful funders listed below. Eligible participants will be
accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

*Many thanks to our wonderful funders:
City of Frederick, Community Foundation of Frederick
County, Dan Crozier Music Trust Fund, Performing
Arts Field of Interest Fund, Delaplaine Foundation*

5 Saturday mornings beginning March 13

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO ENROLL,
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chordsofcourage.org/studio

DANCE WITH US!

SUMMER CAMPS

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 8-18
July 12-16
Performance July 17

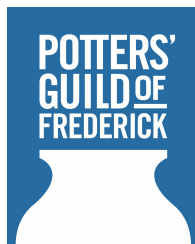
DISNEY'S FROZEN KIDS

Musical Theatre Factory Kids Show
Ages 6-14
July 19-23
Performance July 24

301-846-4247

WWW.24-7DANCESTUDIO.COM

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The Potters' Guild of Frederick: Monthly Events

'Take a Turn At The Wheel'

We're back and running classes again -- have you 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 for you with a color you choose. Meet new friends at a creative activity! Sign up with friends, or bring your team! 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, in Maryland, we have postponed any our General meetings until further notice. As Maryland begins its phased re-opening we will notify everyone when the meeting will resume. Please visit the Potters' Guild website (www.pottersguildoffrederick.com) for details and explanation of scheduled



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

Author: Rachel Carson

Genre: Nature Writer

“ It is not half so important to know as to feel.” – Rachel Carson



Rachel Louise Carson (1907 – 1964) was born in Springdale, PA, graduated from Pennsylvania College for Women (now Chatham University) in 1929, studied at the Woods Hole Marine Biological Laboratory, and received her MA in zoology from Johns Hopkins University in 1932. She began her career as an aquatic biologist in the U.S. Bureau of Fisheries, supplemented her income writing feature articles on natural history for the Baltimore Sun, and became a full-time nature writer in the 1950s. She is most famous for having written *Silent Spring*, which focused on the danger pesticides presented to the environment.

As a child, Carson was an avid reader and writer. She began writing stories, often involving animals, at age eight and had her first story published in *St. Nicholas Magazine* at age ten. Her favorite literature included the natural world, particularly the ocean.

As a result, she read Beatrix Potter and Gene Stratton-Porter and, in high school, enjoyed Herman Melville, Joseph Conrad, and Robert Louis Stevenson.

Carson published *The Sea Around Us* in 1951 which became a bestseller, won her a U.S. National Book Award, demonstrated she was a gifted writer, and gave her financial security. Her next books, *The Edge of the Sea*, and *Under the Sea Wind*, were also bestsellers. This Sea Trilogy explored the whole of ocean life from the shores to the depths.

With the success of her Sea Trilogy, Carson turned her attention to conservation and became very interested in problems she believed were caused by synthetic pesticides. She published *Silent Spring* in 1962 whose impact was to awaken the interest of many Americans in environmental issues. This book inspired a grassroots environmental movement that led to the creation of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Carson's posthumous award of the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Carson never married, but throughout her life cared for several family members that had need. Carson died of complications from breast cancer at age 56 and is buried in Silver Spring, MD. Learn more at: <http://www.rachelcarson.org>

Genre: Nature Writer – Nature writing is a form of creative nonfiction in which the natural environment or a narrator's encounter with the natural environment serves as the dominant subject.

Sample Reading List: *Silent Spring*; *Under the Sea Wind*; *The Edge of the Sea*; *The Sense of Wonder*,

Fun With Words - Maryland Writers' Association (MWA) invites you to have fun writing about nature like Rachel Carson. Using up to 100 words, write about the natural environment or your encounter with the natural environment. 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 31-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.

marylandwriters.org

Theater

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



Neil Berg's 50 YEARS OF ROCK N' ROLL 2
SAT MARCH 20, 2021 | 8:00 PM

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](#)



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Where are they now?

CHARGE UP & Stay Tuned...

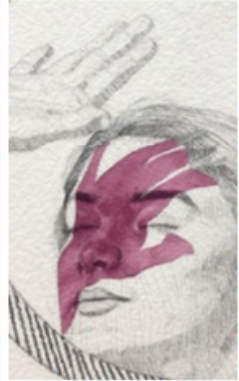


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Visual Art Exhibits



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
Mar 6 - 28



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

MARCH 2021 EXHIBITIONS • PROGRAMS • WORKSHOPS

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
"A Symphony in Pastel"

"Lunch in Chinatown"



Soft Pastel Paintings by Jean Hiron

February 3 - February 28, 2021

(Masks and social distancing required)

15 N. Market St • Frederick, MD

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

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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



THE ARTISTS GALLERY

Visit TAG at our "Pop Up" gallery
at Bravura Arts & Framing

428 N. Market St., Frederick MD 21701

TAG Hours: Sat., 5-8 pm & Sun., 1-5 pm

*The gallery is also open during regular Bravura hours:
Mon, Tues, Wed & Sat., 11am-5pm*



Art is the best cure.

***Please visit our virtual exhibition of members' artwork updated
the first Friday of each month.***

For our latest news and updates on our quest for a new gallery space

visit our website:

theartistsgalleryfrederick.com

theartistsgalleryfrederick.com

GALLERY 322



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.

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NOMA
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Steven Dobbin

266 Days and Counting

Richard Schellenberg

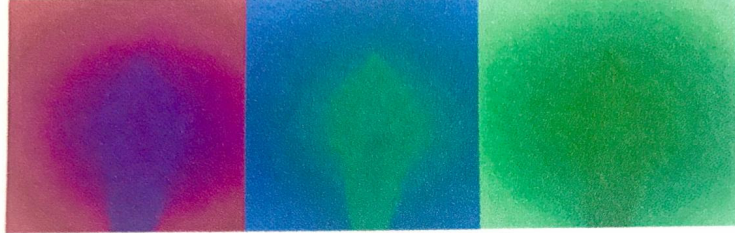


December 4–27, 2020

NOMA Gallery is currently open by appointment only for the safety of our clients and artists. "266 Days and Counting" by Richard Schellenberg and Steven Dobbin will remain on view until we are able to reopen again. Please contact Lisa Tyerle at 301-962-0830 to make a viewing appointment during this time.

Pieces currently available for purchase are also on display in our [Online Gallery](#).

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Luminaire

An exhibition of Light.. in the dark

**December 5th – February 6th*
Opening January 9th, 6 pm – 9 pm**

**December – view by appointment only*
January & February –
Fridays 4 pm – 7 pm
Saturdays 6 pm – 9 pm**

**Griffin Art Center, Side Gallery
6 West 5th Street, Frederick, MD 21701**

***www.luminaireartexhibition.com**

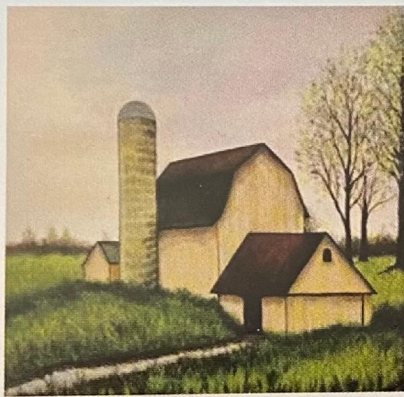
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Eastside Artists' Gallery



313 East Patrick Street
Frederick, MD 21701

Upcoming 2021 Shows



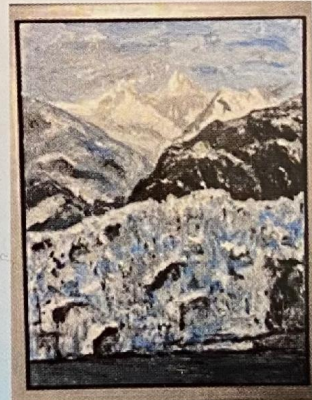
January

All Members
Show

February

Celebrating

"Fire & Ice"



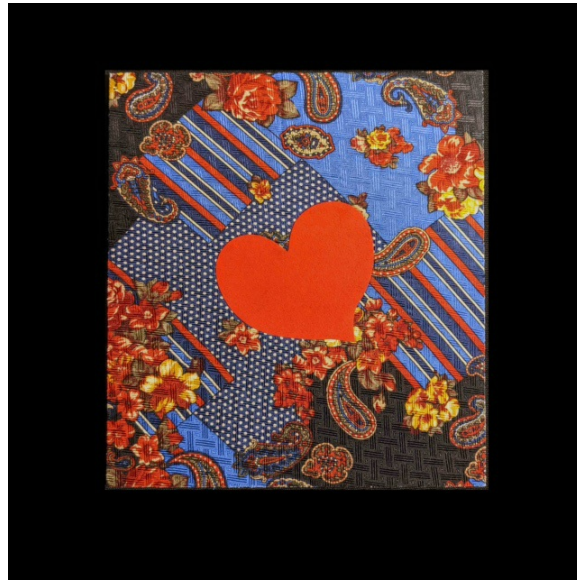
March

Special Guest
Artist

Mary Waldhorn



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[Online Gallery](#)

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Moderated by Gnarly Artly: gnarlyartly@gmail.com 240-529-7814
on Facebook at Frederick Figure Drawing, natch!

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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