THE ARTS INSIDER

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July and August summer office hours
What a day! Although I have been with the Charles County Arts Alliance for almost three years, due to Covid and a weather cancellation; this was my first ArtsFest as a CCAA Board member. It started a little rough with the rain, but everybody stuck it out and eventually the weather cleared.

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I enjoyed getting to visit many of the vendors. Charles County is so very fortunate to be blessed with the community of artists and vendors who took part in ArtsFest 2022. It was a pleasure to see them share their gifts and talents.

Additionally, while I was at the Information Desk, I was able to talk to many of the visitors who came out to see ArtsFest. It was interesting to hear them share their favorite parts of ArtsFest, or discuss the arts in the county, and what they see for the future. ArtsFest is a lot of work, but it is worth it. I’m looking forward to ArtsFest 2023. I hope you are too.

Keith Linville

Hello Everyone,

My name is Karen Washington. I am very excited to become part of the CCAA Board of Directors.

I have been living in the Charles County area for over 10 years and assisted my late husband in his artist ventures for over 30 years. We went to many craft shows and festivals, my main job was to help set up his booth and make sure the people had a good time when they approached our table. I was then able to see what Charles County Arts Alliance had to offer with having events for artists to sell to having classes for artists to learn from one another. I sat with my husband many nights with excitement about how artists come together and help one another perfect their craft. Now, I am excited to be of assistance to the St. Charles artists’ community as well. I am an artist of the organization kind, and an eye for detail that will set us apart from any other organization.

I intend to bring my many creative ideas, inspire the community with a hand in making sure the events we put on are something we all can be proud of.

Karen W.

Dear Members and Friends of Charles County Arts Alliance,

As I get closer to becoming a new mother in the upcoming weeks, I am stepping out of my position for few months to take care of my new child next to my husband and my family.

It has been an honor to work for The Arts Alliance and support all local artists and the community through our events and programs. It has been a wonderful experience to be part of the team and learn everyday the great efforts that The Arts Alliance puts into every step to bring value to the community.

I am hoping to come back to The Arts Alliance sooner than later and continue my labor as Administrative Director to keep serving the community.

Thank you all for the support and I will see you soon!

Marcela Cacace
Administrative Director
ArtsCamp

Nanjemoy Community Center
Monday, August 1 - Friday, August 5
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Pop's Jewelry Shop
1st Place
Most Beautiful Tent Award
Thank you for your participation

Spring Dell
2nd Place
Most Beautiful Tent Award

Charles County Freedom Landing, Inc.
3rd Place
Most Beautiful Tent Award

Maryam Muhammad
Honorable Mention
for Most Beautiful Tent Award

ArtsFest 2022
J’ami Argueta graduated from Westlake High School, intends to continue her education at Shenandoah University in Winchester, VA, as a major in Vocal Performance and aspires to be a professional singer and songwriter as career goals. She has an impressive record of seventeen theatrical performances in high school and aspires to be a professional singer and songwriter as career goals. She has found the magical balance of doing it all and doing it all well.

Kaylee Brown graduated from Henry E. Lackey High School and will be attending James Madison University. Though she graduated from the Engineering Program and plans to major in Marketing, her goal is to pursue a career as an Art Director to take her clients’ ideas and make “…their vision a reality…” through creative designs in advertising and media campaigns. Kaylee high school’s years were impressive, as she: earned letters in three sports, including the Minds in Motion Scholar Athlete Award for four years; was in the National Honor Society. She is active in the varsity volleyball and cheerleading teams, participate in competitive dancing with the 8 Count Dance Company, serve as first chair string musician and secretary with the school orchestra, and earn membership on the Honor Roll- President’s List and in the Principal’s Honor Role speaks to her academic excellence.

Melanie Hall is a graduate from Maurice J. McDonough High School and is looking forward to continuing her education as a Film and Television major at Towson University. While at McDonough, she earned impressive theatrical performance credibility as a stage manager in eight theatrical productions, such as the well-known Broadway musical “In the Heights,” represented her school and earned a “Thespy” at both the Maryland State Thespian Festival and the International Thespian Festival, and successfully presented her innovative projects at the Drama Club. Additionally, Melanie played the violin in and was a Concertmaster for the symphonic orchestra, was Color Guard Section Leader with the marching band, and performed with the Charles County Youth Orchestra. As a mentor she helped counselors and campers at Camp St. Charles. She still has time to engage in a rigorous academic program and earned recognition as a Principal’s Honors Scholar. One of the faculty members in their letter of recommendation praised Jaden Hendricks graduated from St. Charles High School, will be attending Bowie State University, and plans to major in the Arts to become a videographer. During his past twelve years as an active artist, he collaborated with local artists to create and edit their music videos, and worked with videographic companies, such as Hidji Films and YGAfilms. He is a painter with first place awards at the Montgomery Film Festival and a second place award at the Charles County Fair. His paintings have been hung in local exhibitions at the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, the Chesapeake Bank of America, and the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency. Notably, over the past six years his artwork has been shown at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center as part of art therapy for cancer patients. The Chief of Art in Health at Walter Reed commented on Jaden that “…it has been lovely to witness a growing diversity in his life as an artist...”

Nyla Brown is our first scholarship recipient from St. Mary’s Rykin High School. She plans to attend Ball State University in Indiana to pursue a degree in the Department of Theater and Dance. Nyla has already amassed an impressive record of seventeen theatrical performances in high school and with the Port Tobacco Players. For these plays she has gained wide experiences acting in character roles, working on set designs and costumes, dancing, choreographing, and managing marketing and publicity. Furthermore, she has found time to be on the varsity volleyball and cheerleading teams, participate in competitive dancing with the 8 Count Dance Company, serve as first chair string musician and secretary with the school orchestra, and earn membership on the Honor Roll-President’s List and in the National Honor Society. She is active in Caritas which is a community service organization aiding the homeless. Her counselor rightly extolled her virtues “…as an excellent student, athlete, and leader...”

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CCAA Gallery at Community Bank of The Chesapeake Waldorf

Doris Hall
The Flower Pot

Suzanne Cassidy
Blue Bunny

Julie Meisel
Three Pots

Frannie Stoltzfus
Blue Birds

Cecilia Dunay
The Beautiful Indian Head Rail Trail

Midnight Lightning
Into El Camino

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County Commissioner Office Gallery

Charles County Government Building - Commissioner’s Gallery from April 8 to July 12, 2022

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Lilies

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July 2022
Coming to the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center from January 12 to April 13. Extended to July 13th.

**EVANS THORNE**
@evansthorne3

Evans Thorne was born and grew up in Trinidad West Indies. After high school, he worked for the Government of Trinidad and saved money to come to the USA to study art. He attended Northern Virginia Community College in Virginia and Howard University in Washington, D.C. and graduated Magna Cum Laude with a BFA in Painting. After college, he returned to Trinidad and taught Art and Craft at Belmont Junior Secondary (a middle school) for two years before returning to the USA. He is influenced by African art, Japanese paintings, Middle Eastern designs, Impressionist European art, and the colors and patterns of African American art.

He has exhibited his art in Trinidad and the USA from 1977 to 1982 and from 2017 to 2020. He uses acrylics and mixed media to create colorful scenes of folk culture of the Caribbean. He is a member of Black Artists of DC.

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**Around Charles County: Port Tobacco Players**

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**Beauty and The Beast**  
_July 8 to August 7, 2022_  

Book by Linda Woolverton  
Music by Alan Menken  
Lyrics by Howard Ashman and Tim Rice  

Producer JaNeene Sanders  
Director Tessa N. Silvestro  
Choreographer Benjamin Simpson  
Musical Director William V. Derr

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