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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear Friends,

2026 is a very special year for Chesapeake Arts Center—we are celebrating our **25th anniversary!** It is hard to believe how far we have come since the late 1990s, when a small group of community members imagined a place where everyone in Northern Anne Arundel County could access the arts. When our doors opened in 2001, that dream began to take shape, and thanks to the creativity, generosity, and resilience of you and so many others, CAC has grown into a vibrant, welcoming home for residents from our region to imagine, create, and connect.

This milestone gives us a chance to *celebrate all the experiences, partnerships, and people who have made CAC what it is today—and to dream about what comes next.* Reaching 25 years represents far more than a number; it reflects a quarter-century of impact. By conservative estimates, more than a million people have walked through our doors, discovering new talents, building confidence, finding joy, and connecting with others through classes, performances, exhibitions, community events, and countless creative moments.

Our Board and staff are putting the finishing touches on a year of anniversary activities that will honor our past while launching us boldly into our next 25 years of community outreach and accessible arts programming. We will share more details about anniversary exhibits, events, and performances in the new year, but for now, please save the date for an expanded **Open House on April 19**, and our **25th Anniversary Gala on October 23, 2026** (see back cover).

As you will see in this catalog, there are hundreds of creative arts opportunities at CAC for you to be part of in early 2026. I invite you to join us and be part of the next generation of artists, innovators, partners, and donors. Thank you for being part of the CAC family. *We can't wait to celebrate this milestone with you throughout 2026.*

Warmly,

Donna

Donna Anderson
Executive Director



Volunteer at CAC

Volunteers play an important part in helping CAC deliver our mission and programs. Volunteers assist in our offices with administrative tasks, welcome guests at events and performances, assist with gallery receptions, and help support our classes and workshops. You do not need to have an arts background to volunteer. Volunteer groups are also welcome. If you are interested in assisting CAC as a volunteer, please reach out to volunteer@chesapeakearts.org or complete a volunteer application at chesapeakearts.org (click on Support). The time commitment varies with each volunteer role, and all are flexible based on your availability.

Our Mission

To foster creativity, create connections, and inspire joy by delivering innovative and accessible arts and education programs.

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GALLERY HOURS

M - TH: 10 am - 8 pm
F: CLOSED
SAT & SUN: 10 am - 2 pm

ADMIN. HOURS

M - TH: 10 am - 6 pm | in-office
F: 10 am - 6 pm | staff work remotely

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Thanksgiving: Nov 26 - 30
Winter Break: Dec 21 - Jan 4
President's Day: Feb 16
Spring Break: April 2 - 6

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CAC's 5th Annual World Art Day Open House

APRIL 18 | 10 AM-2 PM
FREE | CAC MAIN ARTS BUILDING

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
CHESAPEAKE CROSSROADS HERITAGE AREA

Maryland Day

MARCH 21: 10:30 AM-2:30 PM
FREE EVENT | CAC MAIN ARTS BUILDING



Celebrate **Maryland Day** with Chesapeake Arts Center and Chesapeake Crossroads with these FREE family-friendly events.

10:30-11:30 am: In our **Stories and Art in the Galleries** program, come explore local landmarks in the story "Good Night Maryland," and create a **friendly Maryland crab** out of all kinds of materials. Ideal for ages 2-9.

12:30-2:30 pm: Create your own **coasters** using Maryland icons and colors in an all-ages arts workshop.

Take a tour of MD Day themed events throughout the weekend around North and West County starting with CAC's galleries and our exhibit **"HER Maryland: Stories that Inspire"** featuring artwork documenting and celebrating Maryland women icons. Go to chesapeakecrossroads.org for more information on Maryland Day Events.

PRIDE MONTH Workshops

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

FREE | CAC MAIN ARTS BUILDING | LED BY KAYLA WILLIAMS

FAMILY PRIDE PRINTMAKING

All Ages with an Adult | 10:30 am-12:30 pm

Celebrate Pride Month by making beautiful **rainbow prints and postcards** using styrofoam printing plates.

PRIDE BLOCK PRINTING WORKSHOP

Ages 16+ | 1-3 pm

Learn to **carve and print your pride-themed designs** in this introduction to the Linocut relief printmaking process.



Join us on **April 18** as CAC celebrates its 25th anniversary year with an expanded **World Arts Day Open House** celebrating creativity, connection, and the arts. This free, family-friendly event will fill our Main Arts Center with an anniversary collaborative art project, live performances, hands-on workshops for all ages, gallery exhibitions, local artists and maker demonstrations, food trucks, raffles, door prizes, and **new this year** – an array of vendors.

Come and celebrate the arts and CAC's 25 years of community impact!



For complete schedule of upcoming performances and events, scan here or visit CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/UPCOMING/EVENTS.



FREE Arts Education Programs

From storytime in the galleries to family workshops, after school classes, and early childhood music and art programs, CAC is bringing creativity to all ages—at no cost. Explore, create, and connect with the arts!

scholarship program

Chesapeake Arts Center is committed to making arts education **accessible to every child**. Thanks to support from **Arundel Community Development Services (ACDS)**, **MD Live/Local Development Council**, and other community partners, CAC offers **need-based scholarships** for students **under 18**, covering **25–100% of tuition** for classes and workshops.



WHO CAN APPLY?

Scholarships are open to all, with priority funding for families in Northern and Western Anne Arundel County, including:

Brooklyn Park (21225)
Glen Burnie
(21060 and 21061)
Severn (21144)

Odenton (21113)
Hanover (21076)
Harmans (21077)
Jessup (20794)

Apply today at
chesapeakearts.org/scholarships



After School Arts Classes Create After School!

Our free after-school arts classes invite students in grades 1–5 to explore art in a fun, supportive environment. Space is limited and filled on a first-come, first-served basis. *(Transportation not provided.)*

Tuesdays & Wednesdays | Grades 1-5 | 4:15-5:15 pm

Session 1: Feb. 17 – Mar. 26

Session 2: Apr. 14 – May 21

CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/AFTERSCHOOL

Mini Makers Pre-K Arts Classes Big Creativity for Little Artists!

Spark imagination early with our free arts program designed just for Pre-K creators. Kids explore materials, try new techniques, and build confidence through hands-on art. *Registration opens in December.*

Tuesdays & Thursdays, Jan. 13 – May 21

Ages 3.5 - 5 | 10 am - 12 pm

CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/MINIMAKERS

Annapolis Symphony Academy – Discovery Early Childhood Music Classes

Your young musician will sing, move, and play their way through music-making in these upbeat, interactive classes that build essential musical skills while nurturing curiosity and confidence. Led by experienced educators, each session blends instruments, rhythm, and creative play.

Wednesdays, Feb. 4 – May 20

Grades 1-2 | 4:30-5:15 pm

CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/DISCOVERY



FREE Art Programs at the Severn Center!

1160 Reece Rd, Severn, MD 21144

Chesapeake Arts Center is excited for the return of **FREE Adult, Kids, and Family art programs at the Severn Center!** Enjoy hands-on workshops in painting, drawing, mixed media, and more—perfect for all ages and skill levels. Spaces are limited—**sign up today!**



WORKSHOP Schedule

WEEKLY ADULT ARTS WORKSHOPS
Thursdays | 18+ | 2-3:30 pm
DECEMBER 4 - JUNE 25

WEEKLY KIDS AFTER SCHOOL ARTS WORKSHOPS
Thursdays | Grades 3-5 | 4-5 pm
DECEMBER 4 - JUNE 25

MONTHLY FAMILY ARTS WORKSHOPS
Saturdays | All Ages | 12:30-2:30 pm
[caregivers **MUST** be present]
DEC 13 | JAN 10 | FEB 14 | MAR 14
APR 11 | MAY 9 | JUNE 13

CAC's free arts programs at the Severn Center are sponsored by:



For more information and to register, visit chesapeakearts.org/severn-center



FREE Stories & Art in the galleries

Saturdays
10:30-11:30 am
Ages 2-6 with an Adult

Step into the galleries for a storytime that sparks imagination. Each session pairs a children's book with a hands-on art activity inspired by the story and the artwork on display.

- 12/6 | Make your own **gingerbread collage** after a holiday reading of *"How to Catch a Gingerbread Man"*.
- 1/17 | Celebrate peace and hope as we read *"Who Was Martin Luther King, Jr.?"* and paint a **peace dove**.
- 2/21 | Gather inspiration by reading *"Hello Faith Ringgold: Stories, Quilts, and Big Dreams"* and create your own vibrant **story quilt**.
- 3/21 | Explore local landmarks in the story *"Good Night Maryland"*, then make a **friendly Maryland crab**.
- 5/16 | Learn calming strategies and design a personal **memory collage** after exploring *"B is for Breath: The ABC's of Coping with Fussy and Frustrating Feelings"*.
- 6/20 | Enjoy the book *"It's Ok to Be Different"* and celebrate individuality by painting your own **self-portrait**.

FREE Family Arts Workshops

Saturdays
12:30 am-2:30 pm
All Ages with an Adult

Spend the afternoon making art as a family. Each workshop offers a fun, hands-on project that encourages creativity for all ages.

- 12/6 | Decorate a festive mini **gingerbread house** together.
- 1/17 | Welcome the new year with a bright, sparkling **suncatcher**.
- 2/21 | Create a **story quilt** square inspired by a favorite memory.
- 3/21 | Design **coasters** that celebrate Maryland icons and colors.
- 5/16 | Craft a **family vision board** to imagine the year ahead.
- 6/20 | Weave a creation on a **cardboard loom**.

Register for these programs online at: CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/FREE-PROGRAMS

CAC's FY26 free arts education programs are made possible through the generous support of: Annapolis Symphony Academy; AACPS; Arundel Community Development Services/County Executive Support Grant; Prue Clendenning; Grace Foundation; Helen Pumphrey Denit Trust; M&T Charitable Foundation; Nora Roberts Foundation; Kathy and Jerry Wood Foundation; and St. Christopher's Church Foundation.

GALLERY HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 10 am - 8 pm
Saturday & Sunday: 10 am - 2 pm
CLOSED Winter Break: Dec 21 - Jan 5

For the full gallery calendar visit
CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/GALLERY.



*** CAC's exhibits, receptions, and artist talks are all FREE.**

*Complimentary wine, beer, and light snacks will be served at all receptions unless noted by an *.

NOV 15 - JAN 7
RECEPTION: November 20 | 6-8 pm

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RECEPTION: November 20 | 6-8 pm

JAN 22 - FEB 17
RECEPTION: February 11 | 5-7 pm

JAN 22 - MAR 1
RECEPTION: February 26 | 6-8 pm

FEB 25 - APR 7
RECEPTION: March 26 | 6-8 pm

MAR 11 - APR 7
RECEPTION: March 26 | 6-8 pm

APR 16 - MAY 10
RECEPTION: April 23 | 5-7 pm

MAY 16 - JUNE 14
RECEPTION: May 21 | 6-8 pm

MAY 16 - JUNE 14
RECEPTION: May 21 | 6-8 pm

current OPEN CALLS

For more information and how to apply to these shows visit:

CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/UPCOMING-EXHIBITS

Wildlife Wonders Exhibition | Hal Gomer Gallery
Celebrate the beauty of wildlife and ecosystems through the work of local artists.

Lifted Lines | Patricia Barland Gallery
Discover Camilla Ascher's refined pottery where simple forms, striking textures, and balance meet.

***BPMS Apex Arts Exhibition** | Patricia Barland Gallery
Student creativity shines in a vibrant showcase of imagination and skill.

The Power Within | Hal Gomer Gallery
A tribute to Black and African American artists, celebrating history and vision.

The Game We Play | Patricia Barland Gallery
The Artist Oliver James explores Black communities, memory, and cultural survival through new works.

HER Maryland: stories that inspire | Hal Gomer Gallery
Maryland women icons come to life through art honoring their vision and legacy.

***Growing Forward** | Patricia Barland & Hal Gomer Galleries
AACPS visual arts seniors showcase artistic growth, expression, and creative risk-taking.

The Weight We Carry | Hal Gomer Gallery
Artists reveal personal and collective mental health experiences through visual storytelling.

Disassociations | Patricia Barland Gallery
Lillian Chun blends media to explore burnout, stillness, and the unseen pressures in life.

call FOR ARTISTS!

Would you like to display your artwork at Chesapeake Arts Center?

Collectives, guilds, individual artists, and artist groups are highly encouraged to apply for consideration for FY27-28 exhibition opportunities.

GALLERY
EXHIBITIONS

For more information contact Gena O'Brien at gena@chesapeakearts.org or visit us online at chesapeakearts.org/galleryapplication



For complete schedule of upcoming performances and events, scan here or visit
CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/UPCOMING/EVENTS.

PERFORMING ARTS Field Trip Opportunities

PRESENTED BY:
ARTS ON STAGE LTD.

Enjoy professional theatre productions designed to inspire and educate students through live performances in CAC's Hammonds Lane Theater. Shows are open to the public. View the upcoming shows and purchase tickets at: artsonstage.org

CAC/partnership PERFORMANCES

MARYLAND CONCERT SERIES
PRESENTS:

AACC Christmas On Broadway

DECEMBER 21 | 3 PM

229th Army Band*

JANUARY 18 | 3 PM

Groovalicious- Disco Band

FEBRUARY 15 | 3 PM

The Regal Beagles- Yacht Rock

APRIL 12 | 3 PM

ALL MCS Performances take place in CAC's HAMMONDS LANE THEATER
 Tickets: \$10, \$25 | *JAN 18 SHOW IS FREE
 Purchase tickets at: mdconcertseries.org

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
PUBLIC SCHOOL
PRESENTS:

School Sounds...LIVE!

MAY 22 | 6 PM

Tickets: Free! | HAMMONDS LANE THEATRE
 RSVP at: chesapeakearts.org/upcoming-events

Chesapeake Arts Center PRESENTS:

These performing arts programs are sponsored by The Earl Family - See pg. 17

NOV 22
2 pm

Rainbow Fish: A Mini Musical

Featuring the actors in our Mini Musical Theatre Class!
 Tickets: \$8 | STUDIO 194

JAN 22-23*
Thur & Fri 7 pm

Disney's Finding Nemo Kids!

Join this undersea adventure performed by our Novice Musical Theatre workshop! *Snow date: January 30
 Tickets: \$10 | STUDIO 194

MAR 27-29
Fri 7 pm
Sat 2 pm & 7 pm
Sun 2 pm

Addams Family: Young @ Part

Our Advanced Theatre Workshop actors will creep you out in the best way possible in this kooky musical comedy!
 Tickets: \$12 | STUDIO 194

MAY 2
4 pm

CAC's Annual Dance Recital

Experience the extraordinary talent of students from CAC's dance program at our Spring Dance Recital.
 Tickets: \$10 | HAMMONDS LANE THEATRE

MAY 9
2 pm

Red Riding Hood Goes Pop!

The classic tale of Little Red Riding Hood with a pop-music twist!
 Tickets: \$8 | STUDIO 194

MAY 27
7 pm

Young Singers Workshop Performance

Enjoy popular vocal selections performed by the talented kids in CAC's Young Singer's Workshop Class.
 Tickets: \$8 | STUDIO 194

JUNE 4-5
7 pm

The CLAW

Our Novice Theatre actors will delight you with this tale about toys in a claw machine.
 Tickets: \$10 | STUDIO 194





Arts in Action: A Bright Start to FY26



Summer Camps at CAC [1, 2]
A season filled with building, creating, and dancing—our campers brought big imagination to every day.



CAC @ The Severn Center [3-4]
Adults, kids, and families came together for free hands-on workshops that sparked creativity across the community.



Receptions in Our Galleries [5]
Our galleries have been buzzing with color, conversation, and standout work from regional artists.



Mini Makers & ASO Discovery Programs [6-7]
Joy, music, and early-arts learning fill our halls through these lively programs for our youngest creators.



Mural Project [8-9]
Local artist Catherine Mapp transformed CAC's Hammonds Lane Theatre facade with a bold new mural with the help of community members.



Arts in the Park [10-11]
Our annual free festival brought more than 1,000 visitors out for a day of art, community, demonstrations, food, music, exhibits, and fun.



Clay, Community, and Creativity

At CAC, our **Ceramics Department** is a welcoming space where creativity takes shape—literally. With three beautiful studios filled with natural light, it's a place for artists of all levels to connect, experiment, and grow. From wheel throwing to hand-building, students can explore every aspect of the craft while learning from experienced instructors and fellow ceramicists.

Our **Open Studio** program invites members to work independently in a friendly, collaborative environment that fosters community and inspiration. Whether you're refining your skills or deepening your practice alongside fellow creators, the CAC ceramics studios offer the perfect space to get your hands dirty and your imagination fired up.

See pages 9, 13-14 for upcoming ceramics classes.



Ceramics Open Studio hours are available to hobbyists and professionals starting at \$80/month. Please contact the CAC office for more information at 410-636-6597.



Maker Spotlight
Michelle Dowdell

Retiring in May 2025 opened a new chapter for ceramic artist **Michelle Dowdell**—one she didn't expect would lead her to the studio almost every day. Drawn to the idea of finally trying the pottery wheel, she signed up for her first CAC Ceramics class after her husband gifted her a course. What began as curiosity quickly grew into a full creative practice fueled by CAC's Ceramic Studios that she describes as welcoming, energizing, and full of possibility.

Michelle lights up when she talks about the atmosphere at CAC. She loves the easy conversations, the shared excitement over someone's new piece, and the way students and staff naturally support each other. Even when people don't know each other's names, she says, "you just end up talking"—a testament to how open and encouraging the studio feels.

"As soon as you walk in, there's just a really good vibe here. Now I come to CAC almost every day, and I love it."



While she started on the wheel, Michelle recently found her stride in handbuilding. A spring class shifted her focus, and now sculpting is where she feels most expressive. Her proudest moment came from creating a handbuilt bird—an unexpected project that revealed a whole new layer of creativity.

Michelle's *warmth, talent, and daily presence* have made her a **bright spot in the hallway—and in our ceramics community.**

For complete schedules, class descriptions and to register, scan here or visit [CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/CLASSES](https://chesapeakearts.org/classes). Scholarships are available for qualified students and families.



Ceramics

Kids and teen ceramics classes are all levels. No experience needed. Clay and firing included.

POTTERY WHEEL FOR BIGGER KIDS!

Ages 9-12 | Member \$100, Non-Member \$125

A fun intro to the pottery wheel! Kids will learn to center clay, create forms, and explore decorating techniques.

4 sessions | (a) Mon, 1/26/26-2/23/26 (no class 2/16/26), 4:30-6 pm; (b) Mon, 3/9/25-3/30/25, 4:30-6 pm; (c) Mon, 4/20/26-5/11/26, 4:30-6 pm | Kayla Williams

KIDS POTTERY WHEEL

Ages 6-12 | Member \$100, Non-Member \$125

A hands-on pottery wheel class where kids will shape clay and learn various techniques to decorate their creations.

4 sessions | (a) Wed, 1/28/26-2/18/26, 4:30-6 pm; (b) Wed, 3/11/25-4/1/25, 4:30-6 pm; (c) 4/22/26-5/13/26, 4:30-6 pm | Kayla Williams

Family CLAY FOR A DAY Workshop

HEART BOWLS

Family | Member \$45, Non-Member \$55

Handbuild beautiful heart-shaped bowls using coil techniques! Learn to shape, texture, and personalize your creation. No experience needed!

1 session | Sun, 2/8/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm | CAC Staff

Visual Arts

INTRO TO GRAPHIC DESIGN FOR KIDS

Ages 8-12 | Member \$120, Non-Member \$140

Students will learn fundamentals of typography, color theory and hierarchy while creating a poster, business card and newsletter.

4 sessions | Sat, 1/10/26-1/31/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Jess Cicoria

★ ILLUSTRATION FOR KIDS

Ages 8-12 | Member \$120, Non-Member \$140

Learn fundamentals of drawing, color, shading, shapes, and more as we illustrate a short story.

4 sessions | Sat, 2/7/26-2/28/26 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Jess Cicoria

★ MIXED MEDIA FOR TEENS

Ages 12-16 | Member \$120, Non-Member \$140

In this 4-week class for teens students will explore a variety of materials like modeling clay, paint, and collage to create works of art.

4 sessions | Thur, 2/5/26-2/26/26 (no class), 5:30-7:30 pm | Jess Cicoria

MIXED MEDIA FOR KIDS

Ages 8-12 | Member \$120, Non-Member \$140

In this 4-week class students will explore a variety of materials like modeling clay, paint, and collage to create works of art.

4 sessions | (a) Thur, 3/5/26-3/26/26, 5:30-7:30 pm; (b) Wed, 5/6/26-5/27/26, 5:30-7:30 pm | Jess Cicoria

HOW TO DRAW MANGA FOR TEENS

Ages 12-18 | Member \$150, Non-Member \$170

Have you ever wanted to draw your own comic or manga? Learn the basics of comic paneling and various manga art styles while improving your drawing and comic-making skills.

5 sessions | (a) Sun, 1/18/25-2/15/25, 12:30-2 pm; (b) Sun, 4/12/26-5/10/26, 12:30-2 pm | Crystal Hou

DYNAMIC CHARACTER DRAWING FOR COMICS AND ANIMATION

Ages 12-18 | Member \$150, Non-Member \$170

In this 5-week class for teens improve your character designing skills. Learn about dynamic poses, with a focus on perspective and motion.

5 sessions | (a) Wed, 3/4/26-3/25/26, 6-7:30 pm; (b) Sat, 5/2/26-5/30/26, 12:30-2 pm | Crystal Hou



NO CLASSES

Thanksgiving: Nov 26 - 30

Winter Break: Dec 21 - Jan 4

President's Day: Feb 16

Spring Break: April 2 - 6

Sewing & Fiber Arts

★ MEMORY PILLOW WORKSHOP FOR OLDER KIDS AND TEENS

Ages 10-16 | Member \$35, Non-Member \$45

Join us for this beginner-friendly workshop for older kids and teens to create a memory pillow. Please bring in a sentimental item such as a shirt, baby clothes, or blanket to transform into a cozy memory pillow while learning basic sewing skills. This class is open to students ages 10-16 with any level of sewing experience.

1 session | Sun, 1/18/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Jennifer Wright

COSPLAY

Ages 10-17 | Member \$180 + \$50 Supply Fee,
Non-Member \$200 + \$50 Supply Fee

Cosplay is the hobby of creating a costume of your favorite comic book or anime character. Which will immerse you in the world of costume design, makeup artistry, wig styling and creativity. Students will learn how to create characters costumes from their own clothing and easily accessible materials and supplies.

8 sessions | (a) Tue, 1/27/26-3/17/26, 4:30-6 pm; (b) Tue, 1/27/26-3/17/26, 6:30-8 pm; (c) Tue, 4/7/26-5/26/26, 4:30-6 pm; (d) 4/7/26-5/26/26, 6:30-8 pm | Tegan Feehery

INTRODUCTION TO SEWING MACHINES FOR OLDER KIDS AND TEENS

Ages 10-16 | Member \$150, Non-Member \$170

This class is designed for older kids and teens and is open to students with any level of sewing experience. In this class students will learn the basics of the sewing machine. Students will complete two large projects in this class: they will make a pillowcase and shopping bag.

6 sessions | Sun, 2/15/26-3/22/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Jennifer Wright

EVERYDAY ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS FOR OLDER KIDS AND TEENS

Ages 10-16 | Member \$130, Non-Member \$150

Do you have a favorite piece or pieces of clothing that you can't part with but just don't fit right? Bring in your clothing to make alterations. Learn how to hem a pair of pants or skirt, shorten a strap, take in a garment, fix a button and various other repairs. This class is open to students ages 10-16 with any level of sewing experience.

4 sessions | Mon, 3/2/26-3/23/26, 5:30-7:30 pm | Jennifer Wright

★ designates new classes

Please note that ALL classes require a minimum of 4-5 students to run. If the minimum isn't met, classes may be canceled up to 2 days before the start date. To secure your spot and ensure the class runs, we encourage you to register as early as possible.



Theatre

NOVICE MUSICAL THEATRE: THE CLAW

Ages 7-12 | Member \$290 + \$45 Supply Fee,
Non-Member \$320 + \$45 Supply Fee

Our Novice Theatre production presents... THE CLAW! When an out-of-order claw game suddenly turns back on, all of the toys are ecstatic! Well...all of the toys except for Dot, a terrified stuffed cow.

16 sessions | Mon, 2/23/26-6/3/26 (no class 3/23, 4/6, 5/25), 5:30-7:30 pm | Miss Lauren

MINI MUSICAL THEATRE

Ages 5-8 | Member \$225 + \$35 Supply Fee,
Non-Member \$265 + \$35 Supply Fee

In our Mini Musical Theatre class, our young actors will present a classic story with a modern twist! Little Red Riding Hood sets off on a musical adventure to visit her sick grandmother with a basket of cookies in hand.

11 sessions | Sat, 2/7/26-6/3/26 (no class 4/4, 4/18, 5/2), 10:45-11:45 am | Miss Kayla



Music

YOUNG SINGERS WORKSHOP

Ages 8-14 | Member \$240, Non-Member \$285

In our Young Singers Workshop we will sing the music you love to build your confidence and learn the basics.

10 sessions | Wed, 3/18/26-5/27/26 (no class 03/25/2026), 6:00-8:00 pm | Miss Anna

Dance

ALL Youth Dance classes will perform in the CAC Annual recital on May 3, 2025.

BALLET BUDDIES AGES 3-4

Ages 3-4 | Member \$210 + \$60 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$235 + \$60 Costume Fee

In this Pre-Ballet class for our youngest students, dance techniques and terminology will be introduced through creative movement, fun games, and activities.

14 sessions | Wed, 1/28/26-4/22/26, 5:15-6 pm | Miss Robin

BALLET BUDDIES AGES 4-5

Ages 4-5 | Member \$210 + \$60 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$235 + \$60 Costume Fee

In this Pre-Ballet class for 4 to 5 year olds, dance techniques and terminology will be introduced through creative movement, fun games, and activities.

14 sessions | (a) Sat, 1/17/26-4/25/26 (no class 4/4, 4/18), 10-10:45 am; (b) Wed, 1/28/26-4/22/26, 6-6:45 pm | Miss Kayla/Miss Robin

BALLET I AGES 6 - 8

Ages 6-8 | Member \$245 + \$70 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$270 + \$70 Costume Fee

In this introductory ballet class, dancers will explore the basics with exercises at the barre, center work, and graceful combos.

14 sessions | Mon, 1/12/26-4/27/26 (no class 1/19, 2/16, 4/6), 5:30-6:30 pm | Miss Robin

HIP HOP KIDZ AGES 5-7

Ages 5-7 | Member \$210 + \$60 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$235 + \$60 Costume Fee

This high energy class will introduce students to various styles of Hip Hop, focusing on full body awareness and expression.

14 sessions | Sat, 1/17/26-4/25/26 (no class 4/4, 4/18), 10:30-11:15 am | Miss Angel



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HIP HOP I AGES 7-10

Ages 7-10 | Member \$245 + \$70 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$270 + \$70 Costume Fee

This intro Hip Hop class is high energy and lots of fun! Students engage in beginner hip hop dances, improv, and various strength and flexibility exercises.

14 sessions | Sat, 1/17/26-4/25/26 (no class 4/4, 4/18), 11:15-12:15 pm | Miss Angel

HIP HOP II AGES 9+

Ages 9+ | Member \$245 + \$70 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$270 + \$70 Costume Fee

This Hip Hop class for our more experienced dancers will continue to advance them further into the various styles of Hip Hop.

14 sessions | Sat, 1/17/26-4/25/26 (no class 4/4, 4/18), 12:30-1:30 pm | Miss Angel

LYRICAL/JAZZ COMBO AGES 8-11

Ages 8-11 | Member \$305 + \$80 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$340 + \$80 Costume Fee

In this intermediate Jazz/Lyrical combo class, dancers will build on basic Jazz and Lyrical techniques while learning two routines in each style.

14 sessions | Thur, 1/22/26-4/23/26 (no class 4/2/26), 6-7:15 pm | Miss Brittany

TEEN JAZZ AGES 12+

Ages 12+ | Member \$245 + \$70 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$270 + \$70 Costume Fee

This jazz class for our older students will refine technique and style through dynamic choreography, focusing on rhythm, strength, and confident stage presence.

14 sessions | Thur, 1/22/26-4/23/26 (no class 4/2/25), 7:15-8:15 pm | Miss Brittany

CAC's Annual Dance Recital

MAY 2 | 4-5:30 PM

Tickets \$10 | HAMMONDS LANE THEATRE

Experience the extraordinary talent of students from CAC's dance program at our Spring Dance Recital. From Jazz to Ballet, Modern to Hip Hop, our talented students will be performing a variety of dance styles that will capture the hearts of all who watch. Get your tickets now to be a part of this unforgettable night of movement and beauty. (Approx. run time 60 min.)



MODERN I/II AGES 7+

Ages 7+ | Member \$245 + \$70 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$270 + \$70 Costume Fee

In this mixed level Modern class dancers will learn techniques that focus on rhythm, full body awareness, and flexibility. This class roots our students in floor work, turns, leaps, and partnering combinations.

14 sessions | Tue, 1/27/26-4/21/26, 5:15-6:15 pm | Miss Dawnyelle

TAP KIDZ AGES 5-8

Ages 5-8 | Member \$210 + \$60 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$235 + \$60 Costume Fee

In this introductory Tap class, new tappers will learn different footwork to create percussive fun combinations set to upbeat music.

14 sessions | Wed, 1/28/26-4/22/26, 6-6:45 pm | Miss Brittany

TAP I/II AGES 9+

Ages 9+ | Member \$245 + \$70 Costume Fee,
Non-Member \$270 + \$70 Costume Fee

In this secondary level Tap class, dancers will continue to strengthen their tap technique with more complex rhythms, faster tempos, and creative footwork.

14 sessions | Wed, 1/28/26-4/22/26, 7-8 pm | Miss Brittany

NO CLASSES

Thanksgiving: Nov 26 - 30
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Sewing & Fiber Arts

EVERYDAY ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS FOR ADULTS

Ages 16+ | Member \$130, Non-Member \$150

Fix, resize, or refresh your favorite clothes! Learn to hem, shorten straps, and make repairs. Open to all experience levels.

4 sessions | (a) Mon, 1/26/26-2/23/26 (no class 2/26), 5:30-7:30 pm; (b) Mon, 4/13/25-5/11/25 (no class 5/4/25), 5:30-7:30 pm | Jennifer Wright

★ MEMORY PILLOW WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS

Ages 16+ | Member \$35, Non-Member \$45

Turn a sentimental item—like a shirt or blanket—into a cozy keepsake pillow while learning basic sewing skills. Beginner-friendly and heartfelt!

1 session | Sun, 2/8/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Jennifer Wright

★ HOW TO FOLLOW A PATTERN WORKSHOP

Ages 16+ | Member \$35, Non-Member \$45

Learn to read, measure, and follow sewing patterns with confidence. Understand fabric choices and terminology in this informative, beginner-friendly workshop.

1 session | Wed, 2/25/26, 5:30-7:30 pm | Jennifer Wright

BASIC SEWING

Ages 16+ | Member \$130, Non-Member \$150

Build essential sewing skills—thread a machine, follow patterns, stitch seams, and more. Leave with finished projects and confidence to keep creating!

4 sessions | Sat, 3/7/26-3/28/26, 1-3 pm | Lois Findlay

★ MAKING A GARMENT WITH A PATTERN

Ages 16+ | Member \$130, Non-Member \$150

Learn pattern reading and garment construction while sewing a simple top. A great next step for beginners ready to create wearable pieces.

4 sessions | Wed, 4/8/26-4/29/26, 5:30-7:30 pm | Jennifer Wright

★ designates new classes

Please note that **ALL** classes require a minimum of 4-5 students to run. If the minimum isn't met, classes may be canceled up to 2 days before the start date. To secure your spot and ensure the class runs, we encourage you to register as early as possible.

Learning TO SEW FOUNDATIONAL WORKSHOPS

Saturdays | 10:30 am-12:30 pm
Ages 16+ | 1 Session workshops

★ QUILTED PLACEMAT

Member \$100, Non-Member \$115

Create a quilt from start to finish—piece blocks, quilt, and bind your project! A great way to build skills. Prior sewing experience recommended.

3 sessions | Sat, 1/17/26-1/31/26 | Joan Thompson

PET EDITION!

Member \$35, Non-Member \$45

Learn sewing basics while making a custom-fit pet bandana! Bring your pet's collar or neck measurement. Perfect for beginners—no experience needed.

1 session | Sat, 2/21/26 | Joan Thompson

★ BINDING TECHNIQUES

Member \$35, Non-Member \$45

Enhance your sewing skills by learning multiple methods for binding fabric edges. Add a professional finish to your projects. Basic sewing experience required.

1 session | Sat, 3/7/26 | Lois Findlay

SPOTLIGHT ON ZIPPERS

Member \$35, Non-Member \$45

Master sewing machine basics and make a zippered pencil case. No prior experience required—just creativity!

1 session | Sat, 3/14/26 | Lois Findlay

★ KENNEL PAD

Member \$35, Non-Member \$35

Cut, quilt, and bind a cozy pet kennel pad to keep or gift. Bring kennel dimensions and your creativity. Perfect skill-builder for all levels.

1 session | Sat, 3/21/26 | Lois Findlay

★ OVEN MITT

Member \$35, Non-Member \$45

Use your sewing skills to cut, assemble, and finish a quilted oven mitt. Great hands-on project for intermediate students. Prior sewing experience required.

1 session | Sat, 3/28/26 | Lois Findlay

★ INTRO TO BAGMAKING

Member \$100, Non-Member \$115

Explore interfacing, stabilizers, hardware, and zippers while making your own stylish bag. A fun, skill-building class for returning sewists.

3 sessions | Sat, 4/25/26-5/9/26 | Joan Thompson

★ new Beginner MACRAME

Thursdays | 6-7:30 pm
1 Session workshops

Ages 16+ | Member \$30, Non-Member \$35

Discover the art of knotting in these hands-on, 1-session macrame workshops designed for beginners. You'll learn foundational knots and techniques to make your own projects. Taught by CAC instructor and artist, Lorena Solano.



VALENTINES BRACELET

Thur, 2/12/26

WALL DECOR

Thur, 3/19/26

KNOTTED KEY CHAIN

Thur, 4/16/26





Ceramics

15 lbs of clay are included with all adult pottery classes. Please bring your own tools (available for purchase at CAC for \$30) and towel. Bisque firing is included, but glaze firing costs .06 cents a cubic inch, calculated for pieces before the glaze firing.

Open Studio access is included with all adult wheel and hand building classes.

ALL-LEVELS POTTERY WHEEL

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Develop pottery skills on the wheel, focusing on shaping, centering, and glazing.

8 sessions | Cami Ascher/ Christina McCleary
(a) Thur, 1/29/26-3/19/26 | 10:30 am-12:30 pm
(b) Sun, 4/12/26-5/31/26, 1-3 pm

BASIC POTTERY WHEEL

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Learn wheel-thrown pottery using stoneware clay and electric wheels. Practice centering, shaping bowls, cylinders, and plates, and explore glazing techniques.

8 sessions | Christa Ladny/Christina McCleary/Cami Ascher/Yoshi Fujii
(a) Sat, 1/24/26-3/14/26 | 1-3 pm
(b) Sun, 1/25/26-3/15/26 | 10:30 am-12:30 pm
(c) Tue, 1/27/26-3/17/26 | 6-8 pm
(d) Wed, 1/28/26-3/18/26 | 4:30-6:30 pm
(e) Thur, 1/29/26-3/19/26 | 4:30-6:30 pm
(f) Sat, 4/11/26-5/30/26 | 1-3 pm
(g) Sun, 4/12/26-5/31/26 | 10:30 am-12:30 pm
(h) Tue, 4/14/26-6/2/26 | 6-8 pm
(i) Wed, 4/15/26-6/3/26 | 4:30-6:30 pm
(j) Thur, 4/16/26-6/4/26 | 10:30 am-12:30 pm
(k) Thur, 4/16/26-5/21/26 | 4:30-6:30 pm

INTERMEDIATE WHEEL

Ages 16+ | Member \$375, Non-Member \$430

Advance your wheel-throwing skills in this 14-week class focused on form and design.

14 sessions | Wed, 1/28/26-5/13/26 (no class 3/25 + 4/1), 7-9 pm | Cami Ascher

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BOTTLES & VASES

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Refine your wheel skills while creating tall, elegant bottles and vases through collaring and multi-centering techniques.

8 sessions | Sat, 1/24/26-3/14/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Christa Ladny

SURFACE MAGIC

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Enhance clay pieces with underglaze painting, carving, decals, and printmaking techniques. Ideal for intermediate and advanced students.

8 sessions | Sun, 1/25/26-3/15/26, 1-3 pm | Christina McCleary

SLABS AND COILS

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Explore the possibilities of handbuilding pottery using slabs, coils, and drape molds.

8 sessions | (a) Tue, 1/27/26-3/17/26, 4:30-6:30 pm; (b) Tue, 4/14/26-6/2/26, 7-9 pm | Francesca van Stolk

★PLANTER DESIGN

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Craft unique, garden-inspired planters using slabs, coils, and drape molds in this fun handbuilding pottery class.

8 sessions | (a) Tue, 1/27/26-3/17/26, 7-9 pm; (b) Wed, 4/15/26-6/3/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Francesca van Stolk

TINY TREASURES

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Learn foundational handbuilding techniques while working small. Create tiny sculptures, tiny boxes, tiny shelves, what else will you create in miniature?

8 sessions | Wed, 1/28/26-3/18/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Francesca van Stolk

★ABSTRACT HANDBUILDING

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Explore clay through intuitive, hands-on sculpting. Play with movement, texture, rhythm, and the balance of positive and negative space to create abstract sculptures.

8 sessions | (a) Wed, 1/28/26-3/18/26, 5-7 pm; (b) Wed, 4/15/26-6/3/26, 5-7 pm | Samantha Karlishv



LIDDED VESSELS

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Create various lidded jars, learning measurement techniques and exploring lid-body relationships. Prior wheel experience required.

8 sessions | Thur, 1/29/26-3/19/26, 7-9 pm | Yoshi Fujii

★TEXTURE AND STRETCH WHEEL THROWN FORMS

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Stretch, alter, and decorate your wheel-thrown forms to create lively pots with texture and character.

8 sessions | Sat, 4/11/26-5/30/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Christa Ladny

★ALTERED FORMS

Ages 16+ | Member \$160, Non-Member \$185

Create expressive ceramic pots by altering wheel-thrown forms! Learn techniques like darting, cutting, reshaping, and adding texture to transform your pieces.

6 sessions | Thur, 4/16/26-5/21/26 (no class 3/26), 7-9 pm | Yoshi Fujii

PRINTING ON POTTERY

Ages 16+ | Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

Combine printmaking and ceramics in this collaborative course. Students will create custom print screens in Photoshop to use with underglazes and then print designs onto handmade pottery.

8 sessions | Thur, 4/16/26-6/4/26, 5-7 pm | Cami Ascher and Aaron Smith H



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Basic HANDBUILDING

Ages 16+ | 8 Sessions
Member \$210, Non-Member \$245

BOXES

Construct functional ceramic boxes with secure lids using slab and coil building methods.

Thur, 1/29/26-3/19/26, 5-7 pm | Cami Ascher

WALL OBJECTS

Create wall-mounted ceramic pieces like vases, planters and shelves by using slabs, coils, and handbuilding techniques.

Tue, 4/14/26-6/2/26, 4:30-6:30 pm | Francesca van Stolk



CERAMICS Workshops

CLAY FOR A DAY: WHEEL

Ages 16+ | Member \$55, Non-Member \$65

Try pottery wheel throwing in a beginner-friendly workshop, creating simple forms like bowls and cylinders.

(a) Sun, 1/11/26 | 1-3 pm

(b) Sun, 2/15/26 | 1-3 pm

(c) Sat, 6/20/26 | 1-3 pm

CLAY FOR A DAY: HANDBUILD MUGS

Ages 16+ | Member \$55, Non-Member \$65

Craft your own mug using slab techniques, shaping and attaching handles. No experience needed.

(a) Sat, 1/24/26 | 1-3 pm

(b) Sat, 5/9/26 | 1-3 pm

ELECTRIC KILN WORKSHOP

Ages 16+ | Member \$60, Non-Member \$70

Learn electric kiln firing basics, including loading, programming, and maintenance.

1 sessions | Sun, 5/17/26, 10 am-1 pm | Cami Ascher
3-hour Class

★ HANDLED!

Ages 16+ | Member \$60, Non-Member \$70

Learn to design, pull, and attach handles that are strong, comfortable, and visually balanced. Explore a variety of handle styles.

1 sessions | Sat, 6/7/26, 10 am-1 pm | Cami Ascher
3-hour Class

2025 ANNIE AWARD WINNER Visual Arts | Camilla Ascher

Congratulations to CAC's Ceramics Chair, **Camilla Ascher**, who won the **2025 Annie Award for Visual Arts** from the Arts Council of Anne Arundel County (ACAAC) at a ceremony in October. Join us in celebrating this well-deserved recognition of her remarkable talent and dedication to the arts.



Camilla Ascher, second from right, holds her award with Pamela Gentry (ACAAC Board member), April Nyman (Executive Director, ACAAC), and Jerry Slocum (ACAAC Board President).

Lifted Lines A solo Exhibition by Camilla Ascher

NOV 15 - JAN 7

PATRICIA BARLAND GALLERY

Experience Cami's award-winning artistry in her solo exhibition, **Lifted Lines**, on view in the Patricia Barland Gallery **November 15 – January 7**.

In Studio Pottery Sale with Ceramic Artist Camilla Ascher

DECEMBER 6 | 10 AM-4 PM

Tickets: Free | CAC MAIN ARTS BUILDING

Cami will host an in-studio pottery sale at CAC where you can browse handmade pottery, view works-in-progress, and find the perfect holiday gift. See Cami's art at camillaascher.com.

For complete schedules, class descriptions and to register, scan here or visit CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/CLASSES. Scholarships are available for qualified students and families.



Visual Arts

WATERCOLOR BASICS!

Ages 16+ | Member \$125, Non-Member \$145 + \$25 Supply Fee

In this class learn about watercolor painting and develop basic watercolor painting skills, including basic wash and gradient techniques.

4 sessions | (a) Sun, 1/18/26-2/8/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm; (b) Sat, 3/7/26-3/28/26, 1-3 pm | Chris Potts

★STILL LIFE DRAWING

Ages 16+ | Member \$175, Non-Member \$200

Discover the art of capturing everyday objects with depth and expression. Learn shading, value, and line techniques in charcoal to create dynamic still lifes—perfect for beginners or those refining their skills.

6 sessions | (a) Thur, 2/5/26-3/12/26, 5-7 pm; (b) Thur, 4/9/26-5/14/26, 5-7 pm | Christa Ladny

FIGURE DRAWING FOR BEGINNERS

Ages 18+ | Member \$175, Non-Member \$200 + \$75 Model Fee

Join our figure drawing class where we will explore the art of capturing the human form. We will explore anatomy and you'll deepen your understanding of the body's structure.

6 sessions | (a) Thur, 2/5/26-3/12/26, 7-9 pm; (b) Thur, 4/9/26-5/14/26, 7-9 pm | Christa Ladny

★INTRO TO ADOBE FOR GRAPHIC DESIGN

Ages 16+ | Member \$140, Non-Member \$160

Learn the basics of Adobe Photoshop, InDesign and Illustrator while applying graphic design concepts such as typography, layout and color theory. Projects include: creating a logo, business card, and editing photos to create a cumulative project.

5 sessions | Tue, 3/3/26-3/31/26, 6-8 pm | Jess Cicoria

WATERCOLOR SKIES WORKSHOP

Ages 16+ | Member \$30, Non-Member \$35

Learn to paint with watercolor. This workshop will introduce students to painting fluffy, dreamy skies, with sunlight from various times of the day. All supplies included.

1 session | Sun, 4/12/26, 1-3 pm | Chris Potts

WATERCOLOR STILL LIFE

Ages 16+ | Member \$125, Non-Member \$145 + \$25 Supply Fee

Discover the art of watercolor painting through the timeless genre of still life. In this intermediate class, students will learn to observe and paint arrangements of everyday objects.

4 sessions | Sat, 5/2/26-5/23/26, 10:30 am-12:30 pm | Chris Potts



open studio MAKERSPACE

Open Studio in our Michael Stanley MakerSpace gives makers and artists (ages 16 and up) the chance to work on projects independently whenever the MakerSpace is open. To access Open Studio and use any of the MakerSpace tools you must complete appropriate safety training for each equipment area.

CURRENT OPEN STUDIO HOURS:

Saturday | 10 am to 4 pm

Tuesday | 2 - 6 pm

Wednesday & Thursday | 10 am - 8 pm

No reservations are necessary for Open Studio, except for the laser cutter. Hours subject to change, consult website.

COST FOR OPEN STUDIO:

Day Passes | \$15

Unlimited Monthly Pass:

CAC Members | \$50/month

Non-Members | \$60/month



Check for Open Studio availability and Class dates & times:

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NO CLASSES

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Woodworking

★ PICTURE FRAME 101

Ages 16+ | Member \$160, Non-Member \$180

Learn to build custom picture frames: dimension lumber, cut miters, sand, and finish, guided by an experienced instructor.

3 sessions | (a) Sun, 1/25/26-2/8/26, 1 pm-4 pm; (b) Mon, 5/4/26-5/18/26, 5 pm-8 pm | Mark Vetere/Mike Holcomb

★ HANDLED CUTTING BOARD 101

Ages 16+ | Member \$160, Non-Member \$180

Create a custom handled cutting board! Learn woodworking, shaping, sanding, finishing, and gain Open Studio access. Beginner-friendly, step-by-step guidance.

3 sessions | (a) Mon, 1/26/26-2/9/26, 5 pm-8 pm; (b) Mon, 4/13/26-4/27/26, 5 pm-8 pm | Mike Holcomb

BEGINNING WOODWORKING

Ages 16+ | Member \$310, Non-Member \$340

Learn foundational woodworking through three projects. Includes safety certifications, tools, materials, and Open Studio access for independent practice. No experience required.

6 sessions | (a) Mon, 2/23/26-3/30/26, 5 pm-8 pm; (b) Wed, 3/18/26-4/22/26, 5 pm-8 pm | Mike Holcomb/Maks Prykhodko

★ BOX 101

Ages 16+ | Member \$160, Non-Member \$180

Build a simple wooden box! Learn to cut, assemble, and finish your project. Materials and Open Studio access included.

3 sessions | Thur, 3/5/26-3/19/26, 5 pm-8 pm | Mike Holcomb

INTRO TO WOOD JOINERY: TRAYS & TECHNIQUES

Ages 16+ | Member \$220, Non-Member \$240

Build three trays using three classic joints. Learn the fundamentals of woodworking joinery through hands-on experience and guided instruction.

3 sessions | Sun, 4/12/26-4/26/26, 1 pm-4 pm | Mark Vetere

Screen-printing

BEGINNING SCREEN PRINTING

Ages 16+ | Member \$230, Non-Member \$250

Learn screen printing from design to print. Create custom work on fabric and paper. No experience needed; materials included.

4 sessions | (a) Sat, 1/24/26-2/14/26, 12 pm-3 pm; (b) Sat, 4/21/26-5/12/26, 5:30 pm-8:30 pm | Aaron Smith

DIY woodshop SERIES

TURNED PEN

Member \$85, Non-Member \$95

1 session | 6 pm-8 pm | Mike Holcomb

(a) Thur, 1/29/26, 3:30 pm-5:30 pm

(b) Thur, 1/29/26, 6 pm-8 pm

(c) Thur, 4/30/26, 3:30 pm-5:30 pm

(d) Thur, 4/30/26, 6 pm-8 pm

COUPLES CHARCUTERIE BOARDS

Member \$80, Non-Member \$90

1 session | Thur, 2/12/26, 5 pm-8 pm | Mike Holcomb

BANDSAW BOX

Member \$80, Non-Member \$90

1 session | Thur, 2/26/26, 5 pm-8 pm | Mike Holcomb

ROUTER TRAY

Member \$70, Non-Member \$80

1 session | 1 pm-4 pm | Maks Prykhodko

(a) Wed, 3/11/26

(b) Wed, 6/3/26

MINI CHARCUTERIE BOARD

Member \$80, Non-Member \$90

1 sessions | Thur, 4/23/26, 5 pm-8 pm | Mike Holcomb



Ages 16+ | Session lengths vary

Guided DIY workshops

See Class Descriptions on our website

A **DIY Woodshop** workshop offers hands-on woodworking classes where you can learn basic to advanced skills while creating your own custom projects. Whether you're crafting a cutting board, building a cornhole set, or learning woodturning, each class is designed for beginners and provides all the tools and materials needed. Perfect for those looking to explore woodworking in a fun, supportive environment.



★ MARYLAND CRAB MALLET

Member \$85, Non-Member \$95

1 session | Thur, 5/7/26, 5 pm-8 pm | Mike Holcomb

CHESS & CHECKER BOARD

Member \$140, Non-Member \$160

2 sessions | Thur, 5/21/26-5/28/26, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm | Mike Holcomb



Digital Fabrication

BEGINNING LASER CUTTING & ENGRAVING

Ages 16+ | Member \$200, Non-Member \$220

Learn laser cutting, engraving, and design with Illustrator. Build custom projects, gain certification, and access Open Studio. No experience required.

4 sessions | (a) Wed, 2/4/26-2/25/26, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm; (b) Wed, 5/6/26-5/27/26, 5:30 pm-7:30 pm | Maks Prykhodko

MAKER'S MARK FOR CERAMIC ARTISTS

Ages 16+ | Member \$65, Non-Member \$75

Create a custom ceramic stamp using digital design tools - no experience required! Bring or design your mark; leave with a finished stamp.

1 session | Tue, 4/14/26, 11 am-2 pm | Maks Prykhodko



Donation to Support Studio 194 and Theater Programs

CAC is grateful to long-time CAC donor **Sylvia Earl** for her generous gift from the Earl Family to support capital improvements and education activities in our Black Box theater, Studio 194.

Thanks to this gift, CAC will be installing a **new light board** and **42 new LED lights** throughout the theater. The new LED fixtures use **70% less energy** than our current incandescent lights, while offering more creative flexibility—such as instantly changing colors. This upgrade will *reduce operating costs, enhance sustainability, and transform productions with higher artistic quality and impact.*

The Earl Family gift also supports CAC's **musical theater program**



which serves more than **100 students** each year through musical theater classes that result in productions in Studio 194. *We are grateful for this gift which will impact CAC for years to come.*



Do you love the arts?

WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT CAC

Chesapeake Arts Center's mission and programs would not be possible in its size and scale without the generous support of our community. Gifts from individual donors, foundations, fundraising events, and public grants account for **more than half** of CAC's operating support. Contributions support *arts classes and workshops for all ages, performances, exhibits, and events, and community outreach* ensuring every child can access the arts. **You can help CAC thrive and grow by making a gift** – any size gift has impact.



The **following gifts can be made by check** payable to *Chesapeake Arts Center* (mailed to **Development, CAC, 194 Hammonds Lane, Brooklyn Park, MD 21225**), or online at **CHESAPEAKEARTS.ORG/DONATE**.

ANNUAL FUND DONATIONS

Annual or monthly donation to support all our programs.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATIONS

Ensure students with limited financial means can take our tuition-based classes for free or at reduced rates.

MEMORIAL OR TRIBUTE DONATIONS

Honor a family member, friend, or another loved one.

Other Ways to Give -

Please contact **Drew Cowen** at **dcowen@chesapeakearts.org** for information on making the following gifts:

MATCHING GIFT CONTRIBUTIONS

Increase your gift if your employer has a matching gift program.

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Donate stocks or donate through your donor-advised fund or IRA.

LEGACY GIFT

Include CAC in your will or living trust.

CAC ENDOWMENT CONTRIBUTIONS

CAC's Endowment Fund – through the Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County -- is one of the most important tools we have to ensure CAC's long-term health. Donors can make a designated gift to the endowment which is then invested; the principal is preserved while a portion of the earnings can be reinvested in the fund or can be used to support CAC's programs, staff, and community initiatives year after year, even during challenging times.



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★ July 1, 2025 through November 13, 2025

(Gifts made in late FY25 are also included*)

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