



Members MARQUEE

The Newsletter of the Carroll County Arts Council

Winter 2019

A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



As we start a new year, the Carroll County Arts Council is pleased to report that we finished 2018 strong. Our 21st Annual Festival of Wreaths was a huge success, with over 165 wreaths entered in the festival, and every wreath sold. Our new "Seal the Deal" pricing increased our fundraising totals by almost 30 percent. We enjoyed our traditional holiday programs, and entered into the holidays with three rollicking, sold-out shows of A Charlie Brown Jazz Christmas.

We also have an exciting year planned for 2019! In addition to our favorite traditions, including the PEEPShow, Art in the Park, yART Sale, and our holiday events, we will be presenting some new artists and programs. Watch for a full season's worth of programming to be unveiled this spring.

One of our biggest initiatives in 2019 will be strategic planning. As the Arts Center gets booked with an ever-increasing number of events, it is time for us to look at how we grow when "more events" is no longer an option. You may have already received a short email survey, asking some basic programming questions. Watch for more questionnaires as we continue to ask for community involvement so that we can set a 2, 5, and 10-year plan.

We look forward to getting input from our members about how we can serve Carroll County even better in the future. We know that it is truly our members who keep this place running!

Thanks for your unwavering support,
Judy Morley, PhD

MARSHMALLOW MADNESS!

Registration for the 12th Annual PEEPshow starts Feb. 1 and the deadline is March 15 - or sooner if we reach our maximum capacity. The event is set for April 12 – 23. Visit www.CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org to see guidelines or register on-line. We can't wait to see your extraordinary creations that will make this year sweeter than ever!



21st ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF WREATHS WINNERS

Thank you to our talented decorators and our generous bidders who helped make the 21st Annual Festival of Wreaths a creative and financial success. An estimated 3,800 visitors attended the event and it raised more than \$22,000 for the Arts Council.



The public voted for their favorites and the winners are:

- "Polar Bears in the Snow" by the staff of Carnegie and Company Hair Design
- "Snow Ball Window" by West End Place
- "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening" by Teri Plona & Mary Kay Nerius-Maurer
- "JMC Studio" by Jutz Harvey Moreland
- "Christmas Tree Marble Run" by Thomas Sterner
- "Elf Wonderland" by Paula Mettala for Boys and Girls Club of Westminster; "Christmas Love" by Iris Elaine
- "We Wish You A Peachy Christmas" by Lynn Baugher Foreman & Lorraine Baugher Jones of Baughers'Orchards
- "From the Shores of the Chesapeake Bay" by Nick Vincent
- "Aw Shucks! It's Christmas" by Beth Sergott.

ARTWORD BOUND BOOK CLUB

Is your New Year's resolution to read more books? The Artword Bound Book Club is looking for new members! Since January 2015, the book club has been meeting to discuss a different art-themed book every month.

Lynn Wheeler, former Executive Director of the Carroll County Public Library, has been a member of the book club since the beginning and she says "it has been a fun and rewarding experience" that has inspired her and other members to take road trips. After reading the first book, *Strapless: John Singer Sargent and the Fall of Madame X*, by Deborah Davis, Lynn and her husband visited the Metropolitan Museum of Art to see the John Singer Sargent exhibit. Several book club members visited the Phillips Collection in Washington, DC after their discussion of *Luncheon of the Boating Party* by Susan Vreeland, to get a close look at the huge and stunningly beautiful painting.

Upcoming book titles include *Vanessa and Her Sister* by Priya Parmar (January 22) and *The Passion of Artemisia* by Susan Vreeland (February 26). Participants procure their own books. All are welcome.

HONORING OUR VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



The Carroll County Department of Recreation and Parks hosted their annual volunteer recognition ceremony on November 1, 2018 at the Carroll Arts Center. Fifteen award recipients were nominated by their peers for their contributions during the past year, including our own Ray Arnold.

Ray is an exceptionally generous and capable volunteer. His enthusiasm and warm, welcoming personality spreads to everyone he

interacts with. He approaches his volunteer responsibilities with the professionalism, courtesy, and efficiency that he no doubt gained during his decades as a public school educator and administrator. The lights in the Arts Center always shine a bit brighter when Ray is around and we are grateful for the time and energy that he spends with us.

VOLUNTEER

What's Missing Here? U Are!

Please consider volunteering for the Arts Council's many special events, concerts, and mailings.

Visit ccac.ivolunteer.com to use our self-sign-up system and view available volunteer shifts.



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