



MEMBERS MARQUEE

Carroll County Arts Council Newsletter

FALL 2021



13TH ANNUAL GALLERY OF GIFTS

NOV. 19 - DEC. 21, 2021

Shop Small and Buy Local this holiday season at our dazzling arts market! This holiday boutique in our Tevis Gallery features over 25 local and regional artists' handmade wares including ornaments, knitwear, woodwork, prints, candles, jewelry, and more. Find something for everyone on your list!

MEMBERS DISCOUNT DAY:

Get 10% off on Monday, Nov. 19



GRANTS IN ACTION

Barrier-Free is a recent recipient of a CCAC Community Arts Development Grant. Barrier-Free's mission is to provide inclusive art, self-advocacy, and social programming for adults with disabilities, including inclusive theater company programs. This grant will help fund the programming needs of they recently opened the Barrier-Free Life Skills & Social Studio in Downtown Sykesville.

A NOTE FROM THE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Hello Arts Council friends! Though I've been on the job since September, I'd like to introduce myself for those who I haven't had the pleasure of meeting yet. My name is Eric Kerchner and I'm the new Executive Director of the Carroll County Arts Council. I've been an arts professional for over 25 years and I'm thrilled to have joined such a gem of an arts institution.

The 2021 live season is now underway and we've already seen amazing performances from acts like the Fabulous Hubcaps and the Teelin Irish Dance Company. There's more where that came from as we head into the holiday season. I'm particularly excited to see the perennial favorite "A Charlie Brown Jazz Christmas" for the first time! I've heard all the buzz from members like you, so I know I'm in for a real treat.

Giving Tuesday will be here soon on November 30th. This year's campaign will focus on an expansion of our youth arts education programming. Studies show that the benefits of early arts experiences are numerous. Art stimulates creativity, fosters critical thinking, and enables communication. The CCAC is proposing an ambitious new approach to bringing high quality artists into Carroll County schools. We want to provide an impactful experience to students at every level. This Giving Tuesday, we'll be sharing more about this bold new vision and how your generosity will help us reach students across the county.

I've so enjoyed getting to know the Carroll County community and meeting all of our patrons and members. Hopefully I'll get to meet more of you at the Festival of Wreaths! The future is bright for this organization and I'll work to ensure it reaches its full potential.

Wishing you a wonderful holiday season,
Eric Kerchner

24TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF WREATHS

November 26 - December 5, 2021

This holiday wonderland of creativity and generosity is back! Come visit our display and bid online on a variety of theme wreaths and holiday décor. Plus, many wreaths come with gift cards, merchandise, and more! Visit [FestivalofWreaths.com](https://www.FestivalofWreaths.com) for more info.



FAREWELL TO JUDY

We said "so long" to Judy Morley after three years of service



When Judy Morley first became the CCAC's Executive Director, the Members Show reception was where she first met many of our wonderful members. So it was fitting that this year's Members Show reception was also her proper farewell! Judy's parting gift from the CCAC board was a wood-carved adinkra symbol (pictured) representing leadership and protection made by Board President Thomas Sterner. We wish Judy the best of luck in her future endeavors!

MEET RANDI RYAN

The CCAC's new Financial Coordinator, Randi Ryan, has been doing a stellar job since joining us in July. Originally from Pennsylvania, Randi now lives in Mt. Airy. She holds a degree in finance from Frostburg State University and a MBA in business from American University. Her interests include true crime podcasts, watching baseball, laughing at TikToks, and spending time with her friends and family. She's thrilled to be joining the arts field and is particularly looking forward to the Gallery of Gifts!



FLICC'S 2022 JANUARY DOCUMENTARY SERIES

Fridays in January | 1pm (captioned) & 7:30pm

\$7 Adult/\$6 Ages 60 & Up and 25 & Under /\$22 Series Subscription



January 7

Jimmy Carter: Rock & Roll President

This rockumentary explores how Jimmy Carter's 1977 presidential election was helped by his links to music stars like Bob Dylan and Willie Nelson.



January 14

I Am Not Your Negro

Writer James Baldwin tells the story of race in modern America with his unfinished novel, "Remember This House."



January 21

Jiro Dreams of Sushi

85-year-old sushi master Jiro Ono pursues his lifelong quest to create the perfect piece of sushi, while his son prepares to fill his father's shoes.



January 28

Muscle Shoals

In Muscle Shoals, Alabama during a time of racial hostility, record producer Rick Hall brought black and white together to create music that would live on for generations.



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Opus Community Music School

Children's Chorus of Carroll County

Players on Air

Common Ground on the Hill

September Song

JoeyDCares Rock Orchestra

Westminster Ringers

The Americans with Disabilities Act applies to the Carroll County Government and its programs, services, activities, and facilities.

Anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication or who has a complaint should contact The Department of Citizen Services, 410.386.3600, 1.888.302.8978, MD Relay 7-1-1/1.800.735.2258 as soon as possible but no later than 72 hours before the scheduled event.

