

# **MEMBERS MARQUEE** Carroll County Arts Council Newsletter

## FALL 2022



#### GALLERY OF GIFTS Nov. 18 - Dec. 21

Join us for the 14th Annual Gallery of Gifts! A wonderland of over 30 artists selling their handmade wares including jewelry, ornaments, candles, pottery, woodwork, knitwear, and more. Find something for everyone on your gift list!

Members Discount Days: Nov. 18 – 19 and Dec. 16 – 17 CCAC Members receive 10% off their total Gallery of Gifts purchase!



## **INSTRUMENT TRYOUT DAY**

With the closing of Coffey Music in Downtown Westminster last spring, the Coffey Music Teachers organization is now Carroll Music Teachers! We were happy to host their annual Instrument Tryout Day last September. Throughout the day, dozens of kids interested in music lessons came through the Arts Center to meet the teachers and take a crack at a variety of instruments. From brass and percussion, to woodwinds and strings, these budding musicians were excited to find out which instrument they'd like to pursue!

## A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It's getting cold outside, but the 22/23 season at the Carroll Arts Center is just heating up! With concerts, films, comedians, and more, we've presented unique cultural events every week. From 98 Rock host Justin Schlegel kicking off the BrewHaHa Comedy Series, Southern rock from Chesapeake Sons, FLICC's 50th Anniversary screenings of *The Godfather*, the Black American Film Festival, to another raucous late night showing of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, we've had something for everyone.

Continuing to forge valuable community partnerships, we hosted Common Ground on the Hill's first monthly jam session in October. Over 60 musicians, old and young, came out ready to play! Everyone is welcome to join these sessions on the first Wednesday of every month. Outside of our building, we've sponsored a variety of arts events including a concert of The Children's Chorus of Carroll County and the UK's Royal Hospital School and a performance from Grammy-nominated Milkshake at the Westminster Fallfest. And coming up on December 10 at 7pm, in partnership with the Shepherd's Staff, we'll be presenting a free Holiday Concert and Community Sing featuring choirs and performer from all around Carroll County at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Manchester. We hope you will join us to get in the holiday spirit!

I'm excited to soon celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Festival of Wreaths! Clearly I'm not the only one since due to overwhelming community participation, we had to close this year's registration early. And, in addition to perennial holiday favorite A Charlie Brown Jazz Christmas, we have brand new live holiday events on our schedule! From local jazz man Monte Leister's holiday concert with his band, Bob Cratchit and the Bookkeepers, to a one-man show of A Christmas Carol, there's so much to choose from. And don't forget to save your money for the Gallery of Gifts, featuring beautiful and unique wares from local artists.

Please join us at the Carroll Arts Center soon. We couldn't bring versatile arts programming to Carroll County without your support! Lynne Griffith



## **25TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF WREATHS**

Saturday, November 24 - Sunday, December 4 | 10am - 7pm Daily

Join us for the Silver Anniversary of this beloved holiday event! Enjoy a live display of over 100 unique handmade wreaths and other holiday art and vote for your favorite pieces. All entries are sold in an online auction benefitting the Arts Council, so don't forget to also bid! Not only do these festive pieces make memorable holiday décor, many come with extra gifts like gift cards, merchandise, and unique experiences. Get more info at FestivalofWreaths.com

## **20TH ANNUAL MEMBERS SHOW WINNERS**

The Top 10 Audience Choice winners of this year's show:



- 1. "Thorns" by Patricia Greco (graphite)
- 2. "A Glimpse of Old Venice" by Miwon Yost (oil)
- 3. "July Haying the Amish Way" by Patrick O'Brien (acrylic)
- 4. "Empty Fells" by Matthew P. Terpstra (photography)
- 5. "Fortaleza Street Umbrellas" by Theresa Denney (watercolor)

6. "Tow Trees One Root" by Thomas Sterner (carved wood)

"July Haying the Amish Way" by Patrick O'Brien

- 7. "Buckeye Butterfly" by Amber Harte Maurer Farran (colored pencil)
- 8. "Painted Lady Hemp Farm" by Douglas Bills (photography)
- 9. "Thanksgiving Dinner" by Greg Falk (photography)
- 10. "Love is Love" by Stephanie Madsen (watercolor)

#### See photos of all the winners at CarrollArtsCenter.org!



#### **MARYLAND WINDS CONCERT**

at South Carroll High School

This October, the Arts Council sponsored "Something Fantastical This Way Comes," the season kickoff concert for wind band, Maryland Winds. The Howard County-based ensemble frequently brings world-class wind band music to Carroll County. Their show featured original and classic compositions and a special performance of a John Philip Sousa march with the South Carroll Wind Ensemble!

#### **JUST ADDED THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!**

A One-Man Christmas Carol | December 3 at 7pm

One hour! One man! 18 characters! One Holiday sized story of redemption! See Jimi Kinstle, former Artistic Director at the Baltimore Shakespeare Factory, take our stage in this unique holiday performance. Acting as author Charles Dickens, Kinstle vibrantly brings the classic to tale to life in an energetic one-man show. Tickets are now available at on our website!



#### IS YOUR ORGANIZATION MISSING FROM OUR ARTS ALLIANCE LIST? Then it's time to renew!

Get more details and become an Arts Alliance member online at CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org/memberships. Email Rosalyn@CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org with any questions.

### **WELCOME OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS!**



#### Billy Lyve

Founder of Find Your Purpose Inc., CEO of Wisdom Court Entertainment, and Owner of Wisdom Court Studios



#### Melanie Nillson

Biochemist and co-founder of STEMivism, a nonprofit that promotes an inclusive climate for scientific and technological advancement.



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Common Ground on the Hill

Masterworks Chorale of Carroll County

**Westminster Ringers** 

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