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MAY NEWSLETTER



Message from our CEO and Chief Curator

Prince George's County is a rich and diverse community comprising of an expansive array of talented creatives. This month as we celebrate Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month, we honor the artistic influence of the AAPI community has contributed to our local art and culture. AAPI Heritage Month should be a time to celebrate, but it should also be a time to learn and acknowledge the AAPI impact on the arts. We are excited to observe AAPI Heritage Month, and highlight the rich histories and cultures of Asians, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders. We invite you to attend our workshops at Arts'tination for a cultural learning experience!

Rhonda Dallas
CEO and Chief Curator
Prince George's Arts & Humanities Council

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This Month at Arts'tination

Enter a New World with “Surreal Art in the Park”: Our Newest Window Installation!

Created by our very own Arts'tination resident artist, [Kia Kelliebrew](#), this immersive window display is a series of mixed media celebrating the DC Metropolitan area's beloved Cherry Blossom Festival.



We celebrated the completion of our Spring Refresh at Arts'tination on Saturday, April 22nd. Guests toured our Resident Artists' marketing spaces, viewed the newest additions to our gallery walls, and shopped of course, while enjoying a refreshing glass of signature ginger lemonade and musical vibes by local musicians Lloyd and Cornell Griffith.

Taking inspiration from luxury daytime picnics, Kelliebrew creates her surrealist scene, with distinctive bold lines representing the constant motions of life and our energy that we create in those moments. The installation also includes items from many of our other resident artists at Artstination, including Luther Wright, Mariposa Collective, the Willbourn Sisters, and bags courtesy of our newest addition to the space, The Official Bag Ladies.

It is a true representation of the incredible talent highlighted in our space!



Come down to Arts'tination, **162 Waterfront St, National Harbor, MD 20745**, to view our incredible window display and shop the works of our talented artists!

Upcoming Community Workshops at Arts'tination



Yayoi Kusama Workshop

May 14, 2022

2 PM

As we celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, join us for a fun and interactive exploration into the works of Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama w/ artist Eileen Cave!

[Register Now](#)



Japanese Block Printing Workshop

May 28, 2022

3 PM

Join us at Arts'tination for a workshop learning the art of Japanese block printing, powered by Pyramid Atlantic!

Free

[Register Now](#)



Patterns of Nature Workshop

June 4, 2022

2 PM

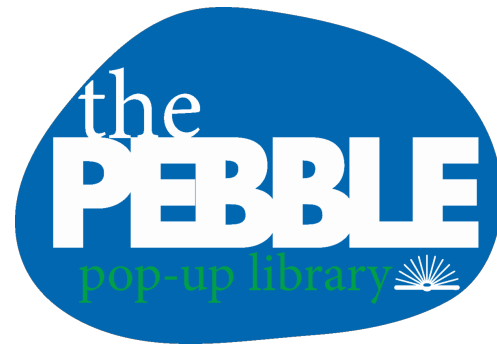
We hope to see you for a celebration of nature! Create watercolor art inspired by Walter Anderson's "seven motifs" of line!

Tickets: \$12 (for take-home kit)

[Register Now](#)

The Pebble Pop-Up Branch Library Is Live at Arts'tination

On April 27th, the Prince George's County Memorial Library System (PGCMLS) officially opened the "Pebble Pop-up Library", a new self-service pop-up library at Arts'tination in collaboration with the Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council! This pop-up library contains a collection of 400+ books, with a focus on fine and performing arts for children, arts entrepreneurship books for adults, and more.



Readers can check out books digitally utilizing the PGCMLS app, as well as read books from the collection in the space!

Visit The Pebble Pop-up Library at Artstination during our regular business hours, *Sunday, Tuesday-Thursday: 1-6pm, & Friday-Saturday: 1-8pm.*





STARBUCKS

Join us for "Coffee & ____" @ the Starbucks Community Store

We are excited to bring you artistic activities and entertainment experiences each month with our "Coffee & ____" series, our exclusive partnership with the Starbucks Community Store.

This month, we're bringing you "Coffee & Vibes", a live music experience with musician Marvill the Violinist, transforming your favorite songs in ways you've never heard before!

Grab a cup of coffee, take a seat and join us **Sat. May 21st at 1PM**, for a performance you won't want to miss!

Starbucks Community Store
6300 Annapolis Rd #1, Landover Hills, MD



Gateway Arts District Happenings This Saturday

DPARK 3311



Come visit us at the Mt. Rainier Day Festival!

Meet the PGAHC team, as well as enjoy live performances and tour artist studios during the Open Studio, as a part of the day's festivities from 12-4pm.

Then, come down to DPARK 3311 for our Open House and Open Mic event, from 4-6 pm! We invite you to perform, or just tour the facilities and meet our resident creatives and discuss their work!

We can't wait to see you there!



Join 39th Street Studios and other artist in the Gateway Arts District for their May Open Studios. With over 90 artists opening their doors, start early and spend the day exploring this community! Here are a few helpful links:

[Studio Map](#) | [Otis Street Arts Project](#) | [Red Dirt Open Studio](#)



Studio 3807 and Artisan 4100 invite you to visit the Gateway Arts District for an afternoon of [Visual, Musical, and Culinary Arts](#). Tour artist studios and view art from over 20 artists at Portico Gallery and Studios and the Art Annex at Artisan. In addition, the musicians from Just Rock will have live music throughout day. miXt Food Hall will have Culinary Arts demonstrations as well as coffee, food, and drink specials.

FOLA Was a Success!

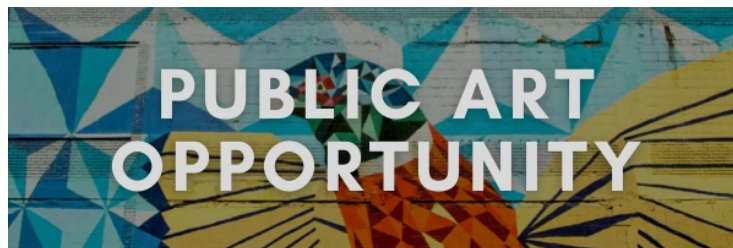
Last month we celebrated National Poetry Month with the 2022 Festival of Literary Arts. Curated by PGAHC's Office of the Poet Laureate the Festival of Literary Arts is purposed to support the cultural life of Prince George's County by celebrating rich literary culture, engaging readers, supporting poets, writers and literary scholars, facilitating conversations, and inspiring the next generation through great literature and poetry. This year's FOLA event did not disappoint.



The online lively three-day event highlighted the vibrant literary arts scene in Prince George's County with an array of literary talent in a series of events that include author readings, panel discussions, forums and much more!

Couldn't join in? Catch the replay on YouTube!

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Prince George's County Bladensburg Branch Library Requests for Qualifications

Deadline: June 30th, 2022

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council in partnership with Prince George's County Memorial Library System is seeking to commission local artists for two Public Art opportunities for the newly constructed Bladensburg Library.

The original branch was dedicated on October 21, 1978, in a 1920's-era building that had formerly been the Bladensburg Elementary School and then the Board of Education Media Center. It will be a 22,834 square-foot building – almost three times the size of the original building. This will be the first PGCMLS facility that has been certified as LEED Silver.



There are two Public Art Opportunities available for this project, listed below:

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BLADENSBURG BRANCH LIBRARY
BOWSPIRIT SCULPTURE
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS



PUBLIC ART OPPORTUNITY **AIPP**
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Bowspirit Sculpture | RFQ

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council in partnership with Prince George's County Memorial Library System is seeking to commission a local artist to create an original sculpture for the newly constructed Bladensburg Library. In reference to the port town's rich maritime history, the prow of a ship, which indicates the entrance to new children's collection will follow a nautical motif in reference to the 'Discovery Harbor' theme.

[Read more & Apply](#)

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BLADENSBURG BRANCH LIBRARY
INTERIOR WALL INSTALLATION
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS



PUBLIC ART OPPORTUNITY **AIPP**
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Interior Wall Installation | RFQ

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council in partnership with Prince George's County Memorial Library System is seeking to commission a local artist to create an original wall art installation for the newly constructed Bladensburg Branch Library. In reference to the port town's rich maritime history, the wall installation will follow a nautical motif in reference to the 'Discovery Harbor' theme for the new children's collection.

[Read More & Apply](#)

Other Public Art Opportunities

The City of Bowie, MD is requesting proposals from individual artists and artistic teams (the Artist) to create a mural installation on an exterior wall at the Bowie City Gym, located at **4100 Northview Drive, Bowie, Maryland 20716**.

Interested respondents are encouraged to visit the City Gym to view the installation site. The City encourages certified disadvantaged business entities to submit a proposal.

Electronic (PDF) proposals should be submitted via email to Robin Jones at rjones@cityofbowie.org by Tuesday, May 17, 2022, 12:00 pm.

The City of Bowie reserves the right to reject all proposals. All questions or requests for clarifications regarding this Request for Proposal shall be submitted by email to Robin Jones at rjones@cityofbowie.org. For further information, contact Lori Cunningham at **(240)544-5601** or lcunningham@cityofbowie.org, or Robin Jones at **(301)809-3013** or rjones@cityofbowie.org.



SAVE THE DATE!

The first annual Prince George's County Film Festival
September 23-25, 2022
More details coming soon

Prince George's Film Office Location Spotlight Campus Studios & Athletic Facility



Are you in need a black box, virtual or video studio, a green screen, rehearsal space or athletic facility for your next production? Then check out The Campus Studio and Athletic facility located in Capitol Heights, Maryland. Campus Studio has 8,000 feet of creative space including: a 20 x 50 green screen, rear projection screens, monitors, lighting, audio and camera equipment, stage and set furnishings, backline gear and a voice over booth and event space.

The Campus athletic facility has multiple basketball and volleyball courts, a fully equipped gym and boxing ring. The Campus Studio was created by the 21st Century Expo Group who saw the need for a one stop studio capable of handling all of your creative and production needs across all platforms.

For more information visit: The Campus Studio thecampus.studio &
The Campus thecampusdmv.com

Prince George's Film Office & Megamind Media held an exclusive screening of "Trophy Wife"!

Prince George's Film Office sponsored a screening of Megamind Media's latest film, Trophy Wife, April 27th at the Old Greenbelt Theater.

This murder mystery, from Executive Producer and Prince George's County resident Tressa Smallwood, is streaming now on BET+.

[Watch the Trailer!](#)



Be sure to visit our [new website](#) for all of our resources for local Filmmakers!

Available Grants at PGAHC

The Prince George's Film Office Film Grant Program's goal is to support and provide financial and technical assistance to filmmakers and other digital visual artists who plan to film in Prince George's County using Prince George's resources, workforce and businesses.



The Film Grants Program will make awards up to \$45,000 per production/project to support filmmakers and digital visual creatives in telling their stories and support a variety of production projects.

Slides from the informational session are available [here](#) | [Watch the informational session](#)

[Apply Now](#)

PGAHC has focused its FY2022 Community Grant Program on its Arts in Education Program (AIEP) category, which is designed to support artists, arts educators, and organizations that provide high-quality arts & cultural activities to youth in educational settings from K- 12th grade.



We are excited to fund projects such as arts instruction, arts integrated learning, in-school performances, field trip experiences, creative placemaking, and much more.

Slides from the informational session are available [here](#) | [Watch the informational session](#)

[Apply Now](#)

Apply for the Community Voucher Program

The Prince George's Community College, Center for the Performing Arts (PGCC CPA) Community Voucher Program is a partnership established by PGAHC, Prince George's Community College Foundation (OIA) and Prince George's Community College, Center for Performing Arts (PGCC CPA) to expand performing arts opportunities in the Prince George's County community by offering non-profit art organizations, art businesses and artists affordable options for staging performances at PGCC CPA.



This program will provide vouchers up to 50% of total costs toward rental and services up to a maximum award of \$3000 for eligible artists or art organizations. Productions and space can be requested and scheduled at PGCC CPA from November 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022 (based on availability of time slots at PGCC CPA).

[Apply Here](#)

Grantee Spotlight

Leslie Holt | Neuro Blooms

Leslie Holt is a mixed media visual artist, educator, and co-director of Red Dirt Studio in Mount Rainier. Her current series, Brain Stains, references brain scans of people experiencing different mental illnesses. Compelled by the visual beauty of PET scans, as well as their power to convey the brain's role in mental illness, the PET scans measure changes associated with blood flow. The resulting images contain multi-colored patterns and shapes. Her work combines objective data with poetic interpretation as a reflection of both corporeal and clinical experiences of mental illness to provoke dialogue, engagement and destigmatize mental illness. Visitors are invited to engage and reflect on the work which also includes a resource area.

“Neuro Blooms in Community” is the focus of Holt’s FY21 grant to develop materials for all ages, that are outside of a gallery setting, including coloring books, posters and other materials that facilitate awareness and engagement around mental illness, and greater understanding of those who are not neurotypical. Her work in this effort is still ongoing!



Visit Leslie Holt's Neuro Bloom artwork currently on exhibit at Arts'tination, National Harbor.



We partnered with Mission of Love Charities for a beautiful Mother's Day event for moms, seniors, and children!



Our Arts'tination Resident Artist Michel Jeter led a card making workshop, well received by all of the guests, and our Director of Development Sherri Bryant-Moore was in attendance for the event. PGAHC is proud to have been a part of this beautiful celebration of motherhood!

PGAHC was proud to be a sponsor of the 2022 Women's History Month Celebration organized by the Prince George's County Office of Stakeholder Engagement & Affairs!



Remember Our First 40th Anniversary Signature Event, BSU Does Broadway...



We are thrilled to announce that BSU Does Broadway honoree and star of MJ The Musical, **Myles Frost** has been nominated for a Tony award! The Bowie State student is in the running for **Best Performance by an Actor in a Leading Role in a Musical**, a well deserved recognition.

Frost captivated our attendees with his stellar performance as Michael Jackson. During our exclusive [Talkback](#) with his classmates, the 45 BSU who were able to experience Broadway for free, Myles discussed his journey as an actor and what it took for him to make it to Broadway. Witnessing Myles' success is encouraging to us all, as it is a reminder that there is no limit to what we can achieve.

Congratulations Myles!



[Read the article](#)

Join the PGAHC Team



We're hiring coordinators at Arts'tination

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council (PGAHC), Arts'tination Coordinator position is a new role within the organization. Working with the Chief Executive Officer, the Arts'tination Coordinator will contribute to PGAHC's success in promoting and advocating for the arts in Prince George's County and beyond. The Coordinator will ensure that the Arts'tination location is open and ready for business.



2022 Internship Program

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council internship program is aligned with our strategic goal to increase PGAHC's goal to provide professional development and workforce readiness skills to the next generation of creative industry leaders by offering real-world experiences that enables an individual to put what they have learned into action.

PGAHC Internship Program is an eight-week program from June 13 to August 5, 2022. Interns work 20 Hours/week, including 4 hours rotation on Saturday.

[Visit Our Website for More Info](#)

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