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# Artist Alley



## Artist Alley

January 5, 2016

Volume 16-01

### Welcome

Welcome to **Artist Alley**, Washington County Arts Council's electronic newsletter. We hope this publication will engage you with the arts in your community.

WCAC welcomes your ideas and support as it continues to take the lead in bringing together the community's art organizations to strengthen our region's arts culture.

For artist information, arts events, calls for art and more visit WCAC's web page...

[www.washingtoncountyarts.com](http://www.washingtoncountyarts.com)

**Donna Bingaman:**  
*Romancing the Canvas*



In The Hall Gallery:  
*Denny Bingamans*  
*Wild Eyes*  
*Photography*



January 7, 2016 - February 2, 2016

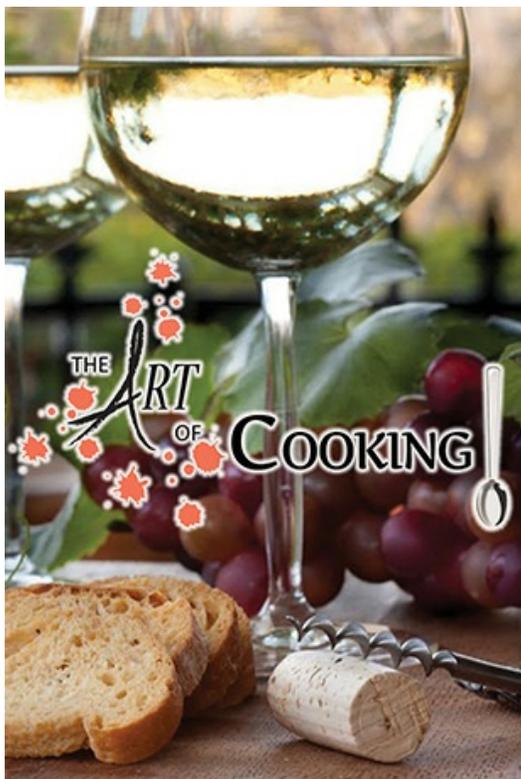
Opening Reception:  
Friday, January 8, 2016 5pm - 7pm



The Washington County Arts Council features two exhibits in January 2016:  
**"Donna Bingaman: Romancing the Canvas"** and  
**"Denny Bingaman: Wild Eyes Photography"**.

Exhibits open January 7, 2016 with an Opening Reception on Friday, January 8, 2016 from 5-7PM at the Gallery, 34 S Potomac Street, Hagerstown, MD.

For information contact 301-791-3132.



The Washington County Arts Council, Inc.  
 invites you to the  
**Seventh Annual  
 The Art of Cooking**

Saturday, January 30, 2016, 6pm  
 (snow date: Sunday, January 31, 2016, 5pm)

Fountain Head Country Club  
 13316 Fountain Head Road  
 Hagerstown, MD 21742

6pm - 7pm  
 Cocktails &  
 Hors d'oeuvres

7pm  
 Dinner

Limited Silent Art Auction  
 \$125 per person  
 \$30 of each ticket may be tax deductible.

**Celebrity Guest Chefs**

Corey and Jessica Green  
 David and Donna Hanlin  
 Michael Jonnes and Barbara Blackwood  
 Chris and Shelly Motz  
 Andrew and Tara Sargent

Wine Aficionado  
 Mike Johnston

**Lou Scally**  
 Emcee



**Dawn Miller**  
 Co-Emcee



The Washington County Arts Council is pleased to announce that Dawn Hoover-Miller, CFO of After Five Productions will join Emcee, Lou Scally, NBC-25 for as hosts of The Art of Cooking 2016!

Reservations - Contact Gallery Manager, Chris Brewer at 301-791-3132 or [gallerymanager@washingtoncountyarts.com](mailto:gallerymanager@washingtoncountyarts.com).

Click on the picture for more information!



The Washington County Arts Council, Inc. hosted its "Annual Community Art Show: The Best Local Art of 2015" during December 2015. Visitors selected Linda Barnhart as the 2015 "People's Choice Award" winner for her art entitled "Unbroken Beauty." This piece received the most votes and Ms. Barnhart wins \$200! This prize has been sponsored by the Hagerstown Arts & Entertainment District - supported by The City of Hagerstown.

**Happy New Year!!!**

Come downtown the Second Saturday January 9th in The Ballroom at Schindel Rohrer above 28 South for the **New Year, New You Wellness Expo** from 3-6pm! Be inspired by some of our areas best health and wellness professionals and learn how to be your healthiest, happiest self in 2016!





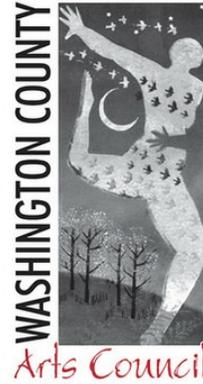
Historic  
Houses  
of  
Worship  
Tour

## Call for Artists!

### Historic Houses of Worship Tour Photo Contest

For Details visit:

<http://www.washingtoncountyarts.com/calls/#HHOWT>



Don't forget to submit your photos.....The Historic Houses of Worship Tour in partnership with and support from The Washington County Arts Council (WCAC) is pleased to invite the public to enter a photo contest to promote the 2016 Historic Houses of Worship Tour.

Please email images of the works to be considered and Entry Form to:

[gallerymanager@washingtoncountyarts.com](mailto:gallerymanager@washingtoncountyarts.com). The deadline is noon on January 10, 2016.



### Public Meeting

The Community's City Center Plan is a 10-year road map for downtown development that was created with significant input from our residents and community members. Catalyst Project #5 aims to construct a trail linking City Park and the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts with the Arts & Entertainment District in City Center, two of our City's most popular destinations. This trail is more than a paved walkway - it will be a connection of green spaces that creates unique experiences for our neighbors, families and visitors. Be part of the planning process and participate in this creative thinking session to review, tweak and re-imagine public art concepts. Ideas include a sculpture garden, a misting fountain, interactive art, murals, and more! The meeting will provide opportunities for interaction and collaborative engagement to discuss and determine the best way forward for Hagerstown. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

**Public Meeting---Monday January 11, 2016 at 6:00PM at the  
Fletcher Branch of the Washington County Public Library**

## Winners of USM-H high school juried art show.

First-place artwork from the USM-H Fall Art Exhibit is on display until the end of January 2016 at the Washington County Arts Council, at 34 S Potomac Street, off Artist Alley in downtown Hagerstown.



The Washington County Arts Council, Inc. hosts its  
**6th Annual "Washington County Art Educators".**

The Washington County Arts Council invites all art educators in Washington County's public and private schools to enter work for our February exhibit.

This is an invitational exhibition and all work will be accepted. Each educator is allowed to submit two works that have been completed within the last two years.

Artwork may be dropped off  
Tuesday, February 2, 2016 from 11am to 5pm or Wednesday, February 3, 2016 from 11am

to 5pm.

The Exhibit will run February 5, 2016 through March 1, 2016. An opening reception will be held on Friday, February 5, 2016 from 5pm to 7pm.

For additional comments or questions please contact Chris Brewer at 301.791.3132 or email:[gallerymanager@washingtoncountyarts.com](mailto:gallerymanager@washingtoncountyarts.com)



### **Hagerstown Community College's Dance Program**

recently received approval from the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC).

HCC's Dance Program offers students the opportunity to develop foundational skills in concert dance technique, performance, improvisation, composition, and audition skills necessary for them to succeed in upper division dance courses. Core dance courses provide training and practice, as well as extensive exposure to a diverse array of dance studies and contemporary dance practices.

"We are really excited about offering this program at HCC and believe it is a great place for students to begin their journey towards a bachelor's degree in dance," said Alyssa Little, dance instructor at HCC. "Our students are going on to study at prestigious schools including NYU's Tisch School of Performing Arts, and New York's CAP21 Conservatory."

The program focuses on classical ballet, tap, jazz, modern, and contemporary dance. To learn more about HCC's Dance Program, visit [www.hagerstowncc.edu/dance](http://www.hagerstowncc.edu/dance) .

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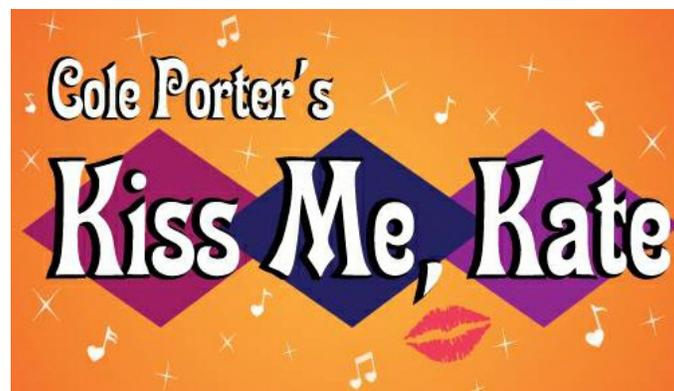
### TAG/The Artists' Gallery to celebrate its 25th Anniversary

The TAG/The Artists' Gallery 25th anniversary continues through Sunday, Jan. 31. TAG, at 216 N. Market Street, Frederick, is open Friday and Saturday from noon to 8pm and Sunday from noon to 5pm, or by appointment. Learn more at [theartistsgalleryfrederick.com](http://theartistsgalleryfrederick.com) or 301-696-8187.

A TAG Talk Panel will be held on Sunday, Jan. 17 at 2pm (snow date Jan. 24) and will feature distinguished guests from the arts community. The panel members are Louise Kennelly, executive director of the Frederick Arts Council; TAG founding members Wendell Poindexter, Homer Yost and Shelley Stevens; and artist Steven Dobbin, who was a member of TAG for twelve years.

Stevens, who is still a member, has served the gallery as its president and is currently coordinating TAG's associate member program.

Monday Jan 11 at 6:00PM at the library: public art public meeting conducted by the Cochran's (please attend this one if you can!).



Auditions for Cole Porter's **KISS ME, KATE** will be held on Friday, January 8 at 7 p.m.

Performance dates are March 4, 5, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, April 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23.

Most roles non-union paying. Cast members may also join service staff.  
Serving, bussing and bartending opportunities available.

Production Staff includes:

Director Laura J. Martin; Asst. Director, Scott Ruble; Choreographer, Ray C. Shaw;  
and Music Director, Jonas Dawson

KISS ME KATE is produced by Mack's Theatricals, LLC.

Shawn R. Martin Producing Artistic Director and Laura J. Martin, Managing Director.

Auditions will be held at The Washington County Playhouse Dinner Theatre and Children's Theater,  
44 North Potomac Street, Rear, Hagerstown MD 21740

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### Call for Films: Maryland International Film Festival - Hagerstown

Feature or Documentary Films may be submitted during the following deadlines:

\* January 8, 2016 Late Deadline - Fee \$50.00 USD

\* February 5, 2015 Extended Deadline - Fee \$65.00 USD

Short, Animation or Student Films may be submitted during the following deadlines:

\* January 8, 2016 Late Deadline - Fee \$40.00 USD

\* February 5, 2015 Extended Deadline - Fee \$45.00 USD

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The Washington County Museum of  
Fine Arts will present  
cellist Ismar Gomes and  
pianist Wan-Chi Su for the  
annual Hamilton Memorial Recital on  
Sunday, January 10, 2016 at 2:30 p.m.

This concert is held each year in  
memory of Mrs. Mavin Hamilton, the first  
President of the Museum's Board of  
Trustees. This is a ticketed event,  
\$10.00 for non-members and free for members and children 12 and under.

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# Washington County Museum of Fine Arts Presents:

## *Golden Legacy: Original Art from 65 Years of Golden Books*

**November 7, 2015 - January 17, 2016**



*The Great Big Fire Engine Book, Tibor Gergely, 1950.*

### **Washington County Museum of Fine Arts Special Exhibit**

Golden Legacy: Original Art from 65 years of Golden Books (thru January 17)  
Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, 401 Museum Drive, City Park, Hagerstown, MD.

### **Engine Room Art Space**

*Concerning the Messenger*  
Art Exhibit

An exhibit of sculpture and assemblage art, raw and expressive artwork inspired by the power of language and personal reflection,  
by Jim Mackey.

Opening Reception --  
January 14, 2016 5PM to 8PM  
Exhibit will run through  
February 7, 2016  
36 N Potomac Street,  
Hagerstown, MD 21740

## Concerning the Messenger

Exhibit of Artwork by  
Jim Mackey

Opening Reception  
January 14<sup>th</sup>  
5 p.m. - 8 p.m.



**ENGINE ROOM**  
ART SPACE

36 N Potomac Street  
Hagerstown, MD

[engineroomartspace.com](http://engineroomartspace.com)





Dinner Theater & Children's Theater

**DEATHTRAP**

BY IRA LEVIN

DEATHTRAP IS PRESENTED BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT  
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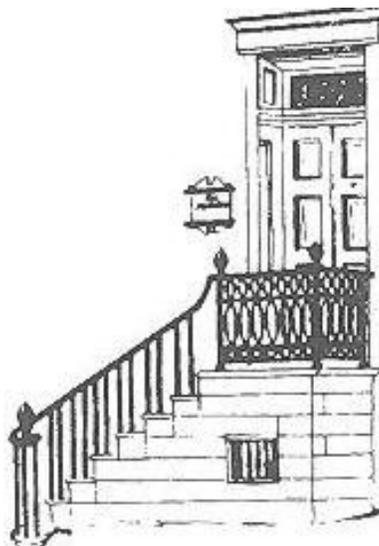
**January 15 - February 20, 2016**

44 North Potomac Street Rear, Hagerstown, Md 21740  
For tickets visit [www.washingtoncountyplayhouse.com](http://www.washingtoncountyplayhouse.com)  
or call 301-739-7469

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The poster for the play "Deathtrap" features the title in large, white, serif letters with a red, blood-like splatter effect. Below the title is a large, dark, stylized knife. The author's name, "BY IRA LEVIN", is written in a smaller, white, serif font. The background is black with faint, circular patterns of letters. At the bottom, there is a red banner with the dates "January 15 - February 20, 2016" in white. Below the banner, the address and contact information are listed in white text, followed by social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

Washington County Playhouse Dinner Theater and Children's Theater.  
[www.washingtoncountyplayhouse.com](http://www.washingtoncountyplayhouse.com) or 301-739-7469 for tickets.  
Broadway Style Show, Salad Bar, Hot Buffet, Dessert and Cash Bar.



*"The Miller House"*

## The Miller House will be open year round!

The Washington County Historical Society has some great special events planned for the New Year! Here is what is happening at the Miller House in January, in addition to regular tours and library offerings.

**Saturday, January 16th: Cocoa and Coloring**  
11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Join us at the Miller House for a cozy afternoon of family-friendly fun! We'll provide everything you need to get started: crayons, colored pencils, historical coloring pages for both kids and adults-and a bottomless hot chocolate bar! Top off your cup with

treats like whipped cream, graham cracker crumbs, marshmallows and sprinkles and keep coming back for more! Full-size coloring books, locally made mugs and other presents will be available for purchase, and the museum will be open for tours. All ages welcome. Cost is \$5.00 for each participant.

**Saturday, January 23rd: A Salute to the Medical Community**

1 p.m. - 4 p.m. The Washington County Historical Society will be hosting a reception to thank the members of the local medical community for their service. This is the last chance to see "Outbreak! The Medical History of Washington County" before the exhibit ends. Several physicians will be giving a short presentation about the area's medical history, and refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by 4 p.m. Friday, January 15th at (301)-797-8782.

**Sunday, January 31st: Jazz up January!**

2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m. Chase away the winter Sunday blues with some jazz! Enjoy live music, refreshments and good company at the Miller House. This month, instrumental music students from Washington County schools will be performing. Tickets are \$5 for members, \$10 for nonmembers. Please call (301)-797-8782 to reserve your seats.

Regular hours of the Miller House Museum, are Wednesday through Saturday, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. Admission prices are: \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for seniors and students. Large group tours can be arranged by appointment by calling the phone number above. Library hours are 9 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, access free to members and \$5.00 for nonmembers. For more information on upcoming events, find us on Facebook or visit our website: [www.washcomdhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.washcomdhistoricalsociety.org).



**Washington County Museum of Fine Arts--Dinner & Lecture:  
"The Alchemy of Fine Art Photography"  
with Audra Haddock-Martenot presented by the Singer Society.**

January 14, 2014--6:00 p.m. Dinner--7:00 p.m. Lecture

Purchase tickets at the museum.

Dinner and Lecture--Museum members/Singer Society members \$20.00; Non-members \$30.00

Lecture Only: Museum members/Singer Society members FREE; Non-members \$5.00

<http://wcmfa.org/singer-society-dinner-lecture/>



## Washington County Free Library's Annual Poetry & Short Story Writing Contest has returned!

Entries accepted at all library branches now through March 15th.  
 The contest is open to Children in grades 2-12 and Adults!  
 Call the library at 301-739-3250 for details and full contest rules.

The Washington County Museum of Fine Arts is offering a variety of popular classes for the Winter/Spring 2016 months. These popular classes, for ages three and up, offer something for every schedule, interest, and skill-level. Art Classes are a wonderful way to let the mind explore indoors during the winter months. We are especially pleased to announce our new after-school offerings for elementary and middle-aged students and our open studio time. Sibling discounts are now available to accommodate the whole family!

Refer-a-friend discounts are also available.

Please note, if there is inclement weather, cancellations will be announced on the museum's website and social media.

Register now for classes at [wcmfa.org/learn/classes!](http://wcmfa.org/learn/classes!)

### Youth Art Classes

**Little Illustrators**  
 Wednesdays/ Thursdays, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.  
 (Rotating Schedule)

**Elementary After-School Art Program**  
 Wednesdays, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Middle After-School Program**  
 Tuesdays, 4:00 – 4:45 p.m.

**Adult Art Classes**  
**Think Like Leonardo**  
 Tuesdays, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

**Watercolor Studio**  
 Wednesdays, 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.

**Bookbinding**  
 Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

**Open Studio**  
 Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**Master Photography Workshop**  
 Saturday, March 19, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Melissa Gibson  
 Starts January 7

Melissa Gibson  
 Starts January 6

Judah Claxton  
 Starts January 5

Don Viar  
 Starts February 16

Lee Weaver  
 Starts February 24

Dawn Hoffmann  
 Starts February 25

Check listings

Audra Martenot-Haddock  
 One Day



For more information on the Museum,  
 please telephone (301) 739-5727 or visit [www.wcmfa.org](http://www.wcmfa.org).

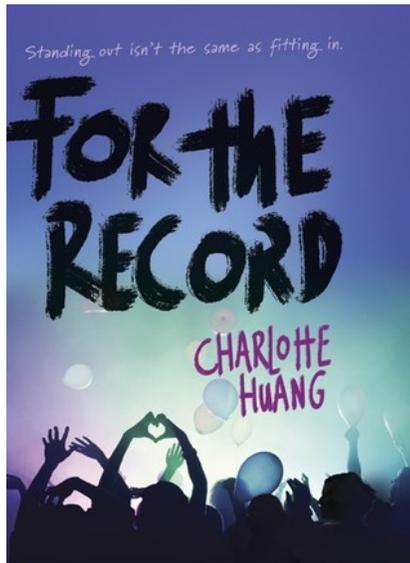
Museum hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.,  
 Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



## Special Lunchtime Concert @ The Fletcher Branch of the Washington County Free Library-- Folk Music Duo.

Vellamo is the performing and songwriting team of Pia Leinonen and Joni Tiala. Their music is characterized by haunting melodies, Pia's ethereal lead vocals, and Joni's virtuosic guitar styling. They write instantly memorable songs in English, as well as their native Finnish, and also perform traditional ballades from the Finnish, Celtic, and Scandinavian folk traditions.

Vellamo--from Kokkola, Finland  
Tuesday, January 19th @ Noon



## Teen Events @ The Library

Skype Visit with Debut YA Author--Charlotte Hunag  
Tuesday, January 19th @ 6:00pm

Join teens to know new and upcoming author in Young Adult literature, Charlotte Huang. Charlotte will be talking about her new book, "For the Record" and answering questions from the audience about the book and what it is like being a new author. Light refreshments will be served. Call the YA Department at 301-739-3250 x270 for details.



## 2016 Cumberland Valley Artists Exhibition

January 23 - April 10, 2016/\*Juried Exhibition

The Museum has celebrated talented artists of the region and beyond in this juried exhibition for over 83 years. Jurors: Foon Sahn, Professor of Art at the University of Maryland College Park and Stephen Wicks, Barbara W. and Bernard E. Bernstein Curator at the Knoxville Museum of Art, Knoxville, Tennessee

## 2016 Cumberland Valley Photographic Salon

January 23 - April 10, 2016/\*Juried Exhibition

Celebrating the art of photography, this competition is open to amateur and professional photographers. Juror: Baldwin Lee, photographer and professor who taught at the University of Tennessee School of Art.

Opening Reception and Awards Ceremony: Sunday, January 24, 2016 2PM to 4PM

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Dinner Theater & Children's Theater  
presents

Theatre for Young Audiences

**Rapunzel**

Directed by Renne Carbaugh  
Music Director Shannen Banghoff

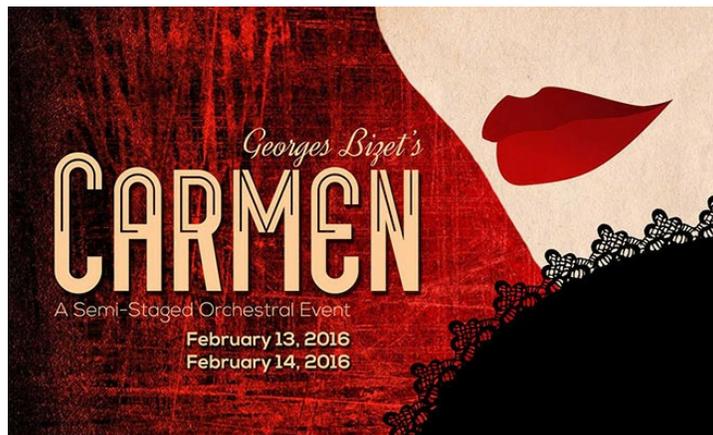
Saturdays • Doors open at 11:30 • Tickets \$17  
Tickets must be purchased in advance.

**February 6, 13, 20 and March 12 & 19**

44 North Potomac Street Rear, Hagerstown, Md 21740  
For tickets visit [www.washingtoncountyplyhouse.com](http://www.washingtoncountyplyhouse.com)  
or call 301-739-7469

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Broadway Style Show, Salad Bar, Hot Buffet, Dessert and Cash Bar.



**Maryland Symphony Orchestra at the Maryland Theatre**

**Georges Bizet's Carmen**

**Saturday, February 13, 2016 \* 8:00 pm**

**Sunday, February 14, 2016 \* 3:00 pm**



Registration for Maryland Arts Day 2016 is now OPEN!

Join hundreds of arts advocates in Annapolis as we raise our voices in support of public funding for the arts.

Wednesday, February 17, 2016

St. John's College, Mellon Hall  
Francis Scott Key Auditorium  
Annapolis, MD

**REGISTER NOW!**  
Click here

Please note the change in venue this year!

Neil Simon's  
**RUMORS**

The Potomac Playmakers announce their next production,  
the classic Neil Simon comedy, "Rumors"!  
Friday, March 11 through Sunday, March 13, 2016 at  
the Women's Club, 31 S Prospect Street, Hagerstown, MD 21740.  
Tickets on sale NOW at [www.potomacplaymakers.org](http://www.potomacplaymakers.org) or 240-382-7269!

**The Beach Boys**  
at the Maryland Theatre  
**Thursday, February 18th at 7pm**  
An Evening with The Beach Boys.



Hagerstown Community Concert presents  
Kevin Johnson--Award-Winning Ventriloquist at The Maryland Theatre  
Saturday, March 12, 2016 \* 7:30pm

Recognized as one of the world's top ten ventriloquists Kevin is mostly known for his appearance on NBC's America's Got Talent. Kevin started at San Diego's Legoland California where he has

performed over 9,000 shows in 10 years. He has twice been honored as the "Best Male Performer" at ANY amusement park in the world. Kevin has always been known for his "clean comedy" and is loved and hilariously appreciated by audiences of all ages! Bring the kids and the young at heart!

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**Western Maryland Blues Fest  
Children's T-shirt Call for Art**

<http://www.washingtoncountyarts.com/calls/#children>

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**Maryland International Film Festival--Hagerstown  
Friday, April 1 to 3, 2016  
Opening night, Friday, April 1st hosted by The Maryland  
Theatre**

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**Chris MacDonald's --  
Memories of Elvis in  
Concert**

The Maryland Theatre  
Saturday, April 30, 2016 7:30PM



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