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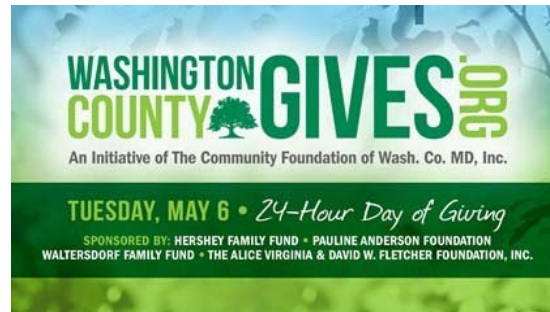
May 21, 2014

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



"Thank you"

to all who participated in the May 6, 2014 Washington County Gives supporting the Washington County Arts Council.



May 2014 Exhibit

"Metzbower" by Rebecca Metzbower and "Floral Impressions: The Art of Nature" by Mary-Jo Bennett exhibits continue through May 27, 2014 at the Washington County Arts Council, located at 34 South Potomac Street off Artist Alley in Hagerstown.

Don't miss Matt Long!

Meet Matt Long, Blues Fest 2014 Poster Artist, at the Opening Reception of his exhibit on Thursday, May 29, 2014 from 6pm to 9pm at the Washington County Arts Council Gallery.

Exhibition hours are:
 Tuesdays through Fridays, 11



a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The gallery is closed on Sundays and Mondays.



Blues Fest Visual Artists attend Hagerstown City Council meeting on 5-20-2014



Pictured (left to right) Mary Anne Burke, Washington County Arts Council; David Gysberts, Mayor, The City of Hagerstown; Matt Long, 2014 Blues Fest Poster Artist; and Carl Disque, Blues Fest Chair.



Standing with her parents and sister, and holding the poster displaying her winning Blues Fest T-shirt Contest winning entry, is Delia Riss.
 Pictured (left to right) Devin Riss (sister); Carl Disque; Doreen Riss (mother); Rustin Riss, (father); Delia Riss, contest winner; Mayor David Gysberts; and Mary Anne Burke.
 Not pictured is Jamie Neikirk, Blues Fest T-shirt Contest Chair.

CELEBRATE MSO!

OPEN HOUSE
 June 2 • 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 MSO Office
Stop in for conversation & refreshments

SONOMA HAPPY HOUR
 June 4 • 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
 University Plaza
 Ticketed Event: \$10 donation

Leave the stress of the work day behind you and join us for the best "Happy Hour" in town. The ambience of the bucolic Sonoma County lifestyle will be captured by The Rolling Vineyard food and wine truck.

Tickets must be purchased by May 30
 301-797-4000
www.sonomahappyhour.eventbrite.com

SEASON LAUNCH
 June 5 • 4 p.m.
 Washington County Library

Join us for the official launching of the MSO's 33rd Season



- Season preview video
- Highlights of the upcoming season will be offered by Music Director Elizabeth Schulze
- Entertainment
- Presentation of Elizabeth Schulze Music Education Advocacy Award
- Refreshments

June 2 - 6, 2014

Celebrate the Maryland Symphony Orchestra in Hagerstown's Arts & Entertainment District.



***performers**

The Western MD Blues Fest roars into its 19th big year! Come celebrate with four jam-packed, jumpin' days filled with music from national, regional and local performers!



RONNIE EARL & THE BROADCASTERS
 Legendary blues guitarist, Ronnie Earl brings his celebrated band back to Hagerstown for a special show. Twice selected as Guitar Player of the Year, Ronnie is nominated once again in 2014. Having played alongside such greats as B. B. King, Stevie Ray Vaughan, Carlos Santana, Eric Clapton, Muddy Waters, and Otis Rush, Ronnie's guitar speaks with an authoritative blues voice that only a veteran player can summon!

IAN SEGAL & BAND
 Be part of one of the first American audiences to hear this multiple British Blues Awards winner! Ian's May 31 Hagerstown performance culminates his first-ever U.S. tour! Don't miss this songwriter's exciting new blues, conveyed in the traditional Delta blues style, all the way from across the pond!

ERIC STECKEL BAND
 A young blues veteran, a powerful player with an authentic blues soul, Eric is already hailed by many as one of the next big things in blues-rock! Eric Steckel is a must see and must hear for fans of SRV, Jimi Hendrix and Joe Bonamassa.



***schedule**

THURSDAY, MAY 29 — BLUES PRELUDE
 University Plaza, 50 West Washington Street, Downtown. Free Admission. Lawn Chairs and Blankets Encouraged! Gates open at 4 p.m. ID Required. No Smoking Venue.
 Kelly Bell Band 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 Washington County Arts Council, 26 South Potomac Street
 Blues Fest Poster Art Exhibit Opening — Artist: Matt Long 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 30 — LOTTA BLUES KICKOFF
 City Center Lot, N Potomac St., \$20 in advance* and \$30 at the gate. Children 12 and under free with paying adult. Gates open at 4 p.m. ID Required.
BLUE MOON STAGE
 Scott Almetie 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
 Carolyn Wonderland 6:45 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.
 Opening Ceremonies 8:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 The Lee Boys 7:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
 Eric Steckel Band 8:45 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 31 — DOWNTOWN HOUSE PARTY
 City Center Lot, N Potomac St., \$35 in advance* and \$45 at the gate. Children 12 and under free with paying adult. Gates open at 11 a.m. ID Required.
BLUES FEST STAGE
 The Rhythm Kings Noon to 1:00 p.m.
 Hagerstown Local Blues Band 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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DOUG MACLEOD

Performing in the tradition of the blues as a story-telling medium, acoustic guitarist, Doug MacLeod, has been nominated for FOUR (4) 2014 Blues Music Awards, including Acoustic Artist of the Year, Acoustic Album of the Year and Blues Song of the Year. Giving a FREE Sunday performance in City Park, come see what all the fuss is about!

MINGO FISHTRAP

WOW! What's in a name? Well, this Texas-based large ensemble will give you a sweet soulful style of rhythm and blues, including plenty of horns. Describing its sound as "the space where melodic pop meets gritty Memphis soul, with a twist of N'awlins funk," Mingo Fishtrap's tenacious groove is central to its sanctified mission to shake your soul.

- Visit the "MAXWELL STREET MARKET" area of the festival for plenty of food, drink and specialty vendors.
- "KIDS JAM TOO," in the HUGE children's area designed just for them! It's their very own playground filled with music, crafts, activities and more on Sunday.
- Grab a limited 19th anniversary edition t-shirt, hat, or other Festival gear from the "BLUES BOUTIQUE."

For tickets, call: 301.791.3246 or visit www.blues-fest.org, and while you're there, join the Blues-E-News Club for updates, podcasts, contests and more!



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BLUES FEST STAGE

The Rhythm Kings Noon to 1:00 p.m.
 Homemade Jamz' Blues Band 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 Indigenous 4:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.
 Ian Siegal & Band 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

BLUE MOON STAGE

Old Man Brown 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 Samantha Fleh 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Mingo Fishtrap 5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
 Ronnie Earl & The Broadcasters 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 1 — FAMILY BLUES PICNIC

City Park Bandshell, Free Admission. Lawn Chairs and Blankets Encouraged. No Smoking Venue.
 The Tonehounds Noon to 1:00 p.m.
 Lower Case Blues 1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.
 Moondog Medicine Show 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
 Original Artwork Poster Drawing 3:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.
 Doug MacLeod 3:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

WASHINGTON COUNTY MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

Boonsboro High School Jazz Band 1:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.
 Doug MacLeod Guitar Workshop 2:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.
 Boonsboro High School Jazz Band 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

SPECIAL COMBO TICKETS FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, BUY BY MAY 27 — \$50

*Transaction fee of \$3.00 per ticket applies to advance sale tickets.
 Schedule and artists subject to change. No chairs, coolers, food or beverages may be brought into the festival area Friday or Saturday. No animals (except service animals) and no audio/video recording permitted at any time during the festival. All packs, parcels and bags subject to inspection.

BLUES-FEST.ORG Find us on Facebook!

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**Washington County Museum of Fine Arts
 Celebrate the 83rd Year of Sharing the Arts!**

Midsummer's Eve Gala by the Lake

Enjoy an Evening in the Kaylor Garden

**Saturday, June 21, 2014
 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.**

\$100.00 per person



Cocktails, Buffet, Dancing

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Music by the Robert Sykes Quartet
Rain or Shine

R,S,V,P, June 6th
301-739-5727

Casual Cocktail Attire
I.D. Required by Law

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