

## Celebration of the Arts in Howard County

The 21st annual **Celebration of the Arts** was definitely a crowd-pleaser. Held at Howard Community College's Peter and Elizabeth Horowitz Visual and Performing Arts Center on March 24th, the event showcased and celebrated the very best that Howard County's arts community has to offer.

The gala opened with a reception as guests sampled culinary delicacies provided by area restaurants, bid on wonderful works of art by local artists, and enjoyed musical entertainment by Howard Community College's Small Jazz Group; musicians from The Columbia Orchestra, under the direction of Jason Love; and roving characters in costume from Drama Learning Center's Teen Professional Company.

Following the reception, guests were seated for the main event—the Rising Star Performing Arts Competition and the presentation of the 2017 Howie Awards. Buddy and Sue Emerson, active supporters of community and charitable organizations, were the Honorary Chairs. Myron "Mo" Dutterer, recipient of the 2003 Howie Award for Outstanding Arts Educator and a pillar of the Howard County theatre community, served as Event Emcee.

After enjoying ten exhilarating performances by the Rising Star finalists, the audience cast ballots

for their favorite, selecting pianist Junghoon Park as the 2018 Rising Star for his stirring rendition of Earl Wild's "Etude No. 4," based on the George Gershwin standard "Embraceable You." The other talented finalists included Keely Bosworth Borland, Classical Voice; Tyler Fitzpatrick, Jazz Guitar; Lindsey Landry, Musical Theatre; Benjamin Lurye, Musical Theatre; Elizabeth Milligan, Flute; Brian Nabors, Musical Theatre; Arelle Oberlander, Classical Voice; Pacing Bodies (Ryan Bailey & Maia Schechter), Dance; and Alexandra Rodrick, Classical Voice.

The evening also included the presentation of the 2017 Howie Awards, given for outstanding contributions to the arts in Howard County.

Actor Ric Ryder received the Howie Award for Outstanding Artist. Ric, whose impressive theatre credits include performances on Broadway as well as with touring companies and regional theatre, gratefully acknowledged the many Howard County mentors who supported and shaped his artistic dreams as he grew up here. Now based in New York, Ric noted

that the recent acquisition of a part-time residence in Columbia has enabled him to carry on that legacy of mentorship as a Howard County voice teacher, "offer[ing] here what had been offered to me."

The Howie Award for Outstanding Arts Educator was presented to Tolly Rumbaugh Peddicord. Tolly has taught at the elementary and middle school levels in the County for 30 years, with 20 of those years spent at St. John's Lane Elementary. Calling her career

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Pianist Junghoon Park is named the 2018 Rising Star (Photo: John Wisor)



Steve and Brenda Poynot enjoy the 2018 Celebration of the Arts (Photo: HCA)

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as an arts educator “the perfect job,” she expressed gratitude that it has given her “a platform where I am able to teach through the arts how to learn about life and care about people.”

Michael J. Clark received the Howie Award for Outstanding Community Supporter of the Arts, a nod to his efforts as part of the group that resurrected *The Little Patuxent Review* literary arts magazine. Accepting his award, Mike said that *LPR* is fortunate to be published in Howard County and Maryland, “where support for the arts is celebrated.” He also expressed a wish that his Howie Award recognition might bring more readers to the magazine originally founded by Columbia poets Ralph and Margot Treitel, noting that its content is “worth discovering.”

The inaugural Howie Award for Leadership in the Arts was also presented to Arts Council Executive Director Coleen West in recognition of 20 years of dedicated service and advocacy for the County’s arts community. After a serenade by fellow Howie honoree Ric Ryder, Coleen accepted her award from HCAC Board President Julie Hughes Jenkins, remarking, “Those of you who know me know that I am passionate about community arts and connecting people to the arts—so, I am truly touched and honored to be recognized for doing what I love to do. For me, community arts is something bigger than one person or one art discipline or one arts organization, it means working with others to create an environment and structure that sustains and benefits us all.”

Celebration guests also enjoyed performances by actor/vocalist Celeste Jones and pianist Douglas Lawler.



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As always, Columbia Festival of the Arts promises to amaze and inspire with its 2018 line-up of visual and performing arts events. The FREE LakeFest Weekend June 15-17 features three days of live music, an invitational arts and crafts show, strolling performers, festival food, a beer garden, and an array of activities and entertainment for all ages. Other highlights of the Festival include jazz master Dee Dee Bridgewater, the award-winning play *The Other Mozart*, Sundance Shorts on Tour, and much, much more! For all the details, visit [columbiafestival.org](http://columbiafestival.org).



Clockwise: On June 22, the award-winning play *The Other Mozart* reveals the true, forgotten story of Nannerl Mozart, the sister of Amadeus • A major highlight of LakeFest will be performances of *Wanted* by eVenti Verticali, a performance group from Italy that melds theatre, circus, graphic design, acrobatics, dance, music, visual comedy and technology into a whole new art form • LakeFest’s juried Fine Arts and Crafts show will feature 60 extraordinary artists showcasing a variety of art forms (photos courtesy of Columbia Festival of the Arts)



## WEBSITE SPOTLIGHT

Learn more about the many resources available for artists, arts groups, and art lovers on our award-winning website.

**Rentals** • Interested in booking space at the Center for the Arts for an art workshop, music recital, theater performance, or other arts-related event? Visit the Rentals section of our website to review available facilities and rental guidelines, check rates, and submit a rental request form. Artists looking for studio space can learn more about our resident studio artist program here as well. You’ll find this section under Opportunities for Artists & Arts Groups in the Explore menu at [hocoarts.org](http://hocoarts.org).





# Current Exhibits at HCCA



*Bromeliad*, by Joyce Ritter, from *Resident Visual Artists Exhibit 2018* (photo courtesy of the artist)

## Gallery I: Resident Visual Artists Exhibit 2018

### Gallery II: Surface & Structure Through June 22

Our annual *Resident Visual Artists Exhibit* features recent work in a variety of media by artists with studios at the Center for the Arts: James Adkins, Stanley Agbontaen, Joan Bevelacqua, Myungsook Ryu Kim, Art Landerman, Diana Marta, Brendan Tammany Nass, Joyce Ritter, Jereme Scott, Alice St. Germain-Gray, Andrei Trach, Jamie Travers, Mary Jo Tydlacka, and David Zuccarini.

*Surface & Structure* features works by mixed-media artists Sooo-z Mastropietro and Chloe Irla. Mastropietro's artwork is made from fiber tubes, and she uses the medium to represent the way in which parts of the sum inevitably give way to the whole of bigger parts. Chloe Irla's paintings incorporate textile elements combined with acrylic paints and digital printing to create intricate, richly textured works.

A reception will be held on June 21 from 6–8pm in conjunction with Columbia Festival of the Arts with entertainment by All County Improv at 6:30pm and Resident Artists' Open Studios from 7–8pm. To learn more, call 410-313-ARTS (2787) or visit [hocoarts.org](http://hocoarts.org).

**HCAC General Exhibit Program.** Applications are due **July 1, 2018**. Exhibits are selected and presented in the context of multi-disciplinary, thematic, juried, and invitational exhibits. Curators and artists are encouraged to apply. To apply, visit the Exhibit Opportunities section at [hocoarts.org](http://hocoarts.org).

**Paint It! Ellicott City 2018.** Be a part of the Paint It! Ellicott City Open Paint-Out, **July 6–8**. Enjoy a summer weekend outdoors in Historic Ellicott City as you paint alongside our juried artists! Work created by Open Paint-Out artists will be part of an exhibit in the lobby at the Center for the Arts beginning on July 9. For more information or to register, visit the Exhibit Opportunities section at [hocoarts.org](http://hocoarts.org).

Paint It! volunteers are needed to check in artists, answer questions, photograph the event, and install the exhibit. If you are interested in volunteering, please email [info@hocoarts.org](mailto:info@hocoarts.org)

**Cultural Arts Showcase 2018.** The Showcase, to be held on October 12, gives visual and performing artists the opportunity to audition for workshops,



Christylee Bacon performs at the 2017 Cultural Arts Showcase (Photo: HCAC)

performances, and residencies. The program is sponsored by the Arts Council and the Recreation & Leisure Services Branch of the Maryland Recreation & Parks Association. Artists should visit the Special Projects section at [hocoarts.org](http://hocoarts.org) to apply. Application deadline is **June 15, 2018**.

**The Rubys.** The next grant cycle for the Greater Baltimore Cultural Alliance's Rubys Artist Grants will open for applications in the disciplines of Literary and Visual Arts on June 1, with a deadline of **July 31, 2018**. Visit [baltimoreculture.org](http://baltimoreculture.org) for more information.

**Maryland State Arts Council Individual Artist Awards.** The Maryland State Arts Council is currently accepting applications for Individual Artist Awards in the following categories: Creative Non-Fiction/Fiction; Media/Digital/Electronic Arts; Theater: Solo Performance; Painting; and Works on Paper. Award recipients are selected by an out-of-state blind jury on the basis of artistic merit alone. Deadline for entry is **July 25, 2018**. For more information, visit [msac.org](http://msac.org).



## HCAC ANNOUNCES ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Arts Council's Arts Scholarship Program provides funding to exceptional college-bound seniors from Howard County who are pursuing a career in the arts. Our 2018 recipients are:

**Eunice Braimoh** • Howard, Literary Art, \$4,000  
**Maria Collins** • Glenelg, Dance, \$1,000  
**Allison Fitzgerald** • Glenelg, Vocal Music/Musical Theatre, \$1,000  
**Tori Hogan** • Glenelg, Visual Art, \$1,000  
**Anna Kelly** • Glenelg, Dance, \$1,000

**Ina O'Ryan** • Hammond, Instrumental Music, \$1,000  
**Allison Wagner** • Reservoir, Theatre (Technical/Design), \$1,000

Three years ago Howard Bank announced the new Business Partnership for the Arts Scholarship at Howard Community College. 2018 Business Partnership scholarships were awarded to returning HCC students Ericka Steele, visual art, and Thomas Whiting, music and theatre. The Arts Council and Business Partnership arts scholarships were announced at this year's Celebration. Congratulations to all 2018 scholarship recipients!



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An Open Paint-Out artist takes part in Paint It! Ellicott City 2017 (Photo: Ray Urena)



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**KUDOS** Congratulations to the Howard County recipients of the Maryland State Arts Council's 2018 Individual Artist Awards: Byung Kang (Non-Classical Music: Solo Performance, \$3,000) and Nakeya Cook (Photography, \$3,000).

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## Gallery Hours

Monday–Friday 10am–8pm  
Saturday 10am–4pm • Sunday 12–4pm

Howard County Arts Council will be closed on the following holidays:

**Independence Day, July 4, 2018**

## ARTsites 2018

### New Public Art Exhibit Coming Soon

A new ARTsites exhibit is on its way! ARTsites 2018 will feature 12 new sculptures at sites throughout Howard County beginning in August. In the meantime, don't miss the chance to check out the ARTsites 2017 sculptures if you haven't already. They're on display until July 15.

For a complete list of ARTsites sculptures and venues visit the Exhibits section at [hocoarts.org](http://hocoarts.org).

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