

27th Annual
Celebration of the ARTS
in Howard County

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Mark your calendars for our annual Holiday Maker-Mart and Holiday Open House

On December 5, up to 40 local artists will offer handmade gifts including art, jewelry, pottery, and more. Check out select wares from invited artists who will also be featured for show and sale in our galleries from November 23 to December 5. For details, visit hocoarts.org/makermart.



GALLERY HOURS

Monday–Friday 10am–8pm, Saturday 10am–4pm, and Sunday 12–4pm
Howard County Arts Council will be closed on the following holidays:
Labor Day, September 2 Thanksgiving, November 28 & 29

REGISTER NOW FOR FALL CLASSES

We're delighted to unveil our upcoming fall session of classes and workshops at the Center for the Arts! Beginning September 14, featured programs will include our popular Saturday Art Studio for ages 5-12, School's Out programming for the 2024-25 school year (K-5), Exploring the World through Drawing (ages 13-17), Spectacular Sculpture (18+), Rituals in Art (18+), and more. Our popular weekly drop-in drawing and painting sessions will also return after Labor Day on September 9. For more information and to register, please visit hocoarts.org/classes.



2023 Rising Star Ching-Yi Lin (photo: Katie Simmons-Barth)

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2 | 6-10PM

Peter and Elizabeth Horowitz Visual and Performing Arts Center at Howard Community College

Don't miss the best night of the year! The 27th annual Celebration of the Arts in Howard County will be held on Saturday, November 2, 2024, from 6 to 10pm at the Horowitz Visual and Performing Arts Center at Howard Community College (HCC) in Columbia. Tonya Aikens, President and CEO of the Howard County Library System, will act as Honorary Chair for the evening. Terry N. Eberhardt will serve as Event Emcee.

The Celebration kicks off at 6pm with a 2-hour reception where guests will have the opportunity to bid on artwork from the Art Auction, indulge in the delicious creations of some of Howard County's best

culinary artists, and buy raffle tickets for their chance to win one of the Celebration baskets. At 8pm, guests will take their seats to enjoy the Rising Star Performing Arts Competition and the presentation of the Howie Awards. Nine talented, local finalists will vie for the audience vote for the \$5,000 cash prize. In between dazzling performances, the Howie Awards will applaud the significant contributions of this year's honorees who create, teach, and support the arts in our community.

The Rising Stars competing at this year's Celebration are:

- Yejin Lisa Choi, Flute
- Jason Garcia-Kakuk, Classical Voice
- Sarah Joyce, Musical Theatre
- Melanie Kuperstein, Violin
- Angelina Lim, Flute
- Megan Olivola, Dance
- Eleanor Parks, Musical Theatre
- Robert Sirois, Bassoon
- Zeilla Quartet, String Quartet

Sponsorship and volunteer opportunities are still available. Celebration tickets are \$100 in the Smith Theatre and \$50 in the Studio Theatre (simulcast).

The Howie Awards are presented annually by the Arts Council to individuals and businesses in recognition of their significant impact on the arts in Howard County.

This year's Howie Award recipients are:

- Fahimeh Vahdat, Visual Artist, Outstanding Artist
- Rebecca Clark, Dance Director, Centennial High School, Outstanding Arts Educator
- Holly Gudelsky Stone, Outstanding Community Supporter of the Arts
- Deborah White-Bondhus, Piano & Music Theory Instructor, Legacy in the Arts

This year's Celebration of the Arts is sure to be an unforgettable evening, so reserve your tickets today! Tickets are available online at hocoarts.org/celebration.



ROAD TO THE ARTS WEEKEND
September 20-22
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Rybee House 4 by Stephen Klema at Merriweather Park at Symphony Woods (HCCA photo)



Discover Howard County's eclectic visual arts scene during Road to the Arts weekend. Participating galleries will host special events and exhibits

throughout the weekend. The Arts Council will be hosting a closing exhibit reception for *Connected Places* and *Compulsory Measures* on September 20, 6-8pm. Complete details can be found in our Road to the Arts map, which also includes the locations for ARTsites, our annual public art exhibit. For a free copy, visit hocoarts.org or email info@hocoarts.org.

ROAD TO THE ARTS WEEKEND September 20-22



CURRENT Exhibits at HCCA



August 23-September 28 | Reception: September 20, 6-8pm

Gallery I: *Connected Places*

Gallery II: *Compulsory Measures*

Experience the immersive, multimedia installations by Sylvia Eken and Sarah Stefana Smith in *Connected Places*.

In response to a culture saturated with devices that distance, digitize, and disembody, the artists in *Compulsory Measures* embrace repetition and ritual as mindful strategies to ascertain meaning. Curated by Reni Gower.

A reception for both exhibits will be held on September 20 from 6-8pm with HCCA's Annual Meeting and Grant Awards Ceremony, Resident Artists open studios (7-8pm), and the Road to the Arts weekend.

To learn more, call 410-313-ARTS (2787) or visit hocoarts.org/galleries.

Trading Cities by Sylvia Eken
(image courtesy of artist)

ARTISTS' BLOCK

HOLIDAY MAKER-MART & HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE Calling artists and artisans with unique handmade works for holiday gift giving! Applications open September 1 for our annual Holiday Maker-Mart and Holiday Open House. The Holiday Maker-Mart will feature wares from invited artists in an extended holiday pop-up shop in our two galleries. The Holiday Maker-Mart will be open from November 23 – December 5 (closed Nov. 27-29). Visit hocoarts.org/makermartartists to learn more. Available space is limited, so don't delay! The Holiday Open House will be held throughout the Center on December 5 from 4-8pm. The event will feature up to 40 local artists and artisans, live music, a reception, Resident Artist open studios (6-8pm), and the juried Holiday Maker Mart. Applications for the one-night event accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.

HCC GENERAL EXHIBIT PROGRAM Visual artists and curators — are you looking for a place to exhibit your work? We are seeking artwork in all mediums to include in upcoming exhibits. Individual artists, curators, and arts groups interested in presenting a group show are encouraged to apply. Exhibits are selected and presented in the context of multi-disciplinary, thematic, juried, and invitational exhibits. Applications are due **October 1**. Details and application information are available in the Exhibit Opportunities section at hocoarts.org.

HOCO OPEN 2025 is a non-juried exhibit open to artists (aged 18 years and older) who live, work, or study in Howard County. Eligible artists are invited to submit one piece of ready-to-hang original artwork completed in the past two years for inclusion in the exhibit, which will run from December 13 to February 1. Artwork submissions will be accepted online on a first-come basis, one piece per artist, until 100 submissions have been received. Visit the Exhibit Opportunities section at hocoarts.org after **November 6** to submit an entry for HoCo Open.

ARTS SCHOLARSHIP Planning to pursue a degree in the arts? The Arts Council invites college-bound Howard County high school seniors seeking higher education in any arts discipline – visual arts, theatre, music, dance, or creative writing – to apply for its arts scholarship program. Applications are available October 1. **Deadline is January 24.**

ARTsites 2024

Check out *ARTsites 2024*, our new public art exhibit in Howard County. Take a road trip and explore all 12 sculptures!

ARTsites 2024 Sculptures & Venues

Crows with Assets by Sally Myers – Howard Community College

Fully Realized by Jack Howard-Potter – Howard County Government, George Howard Building

Golden Oak Leaf Arch by Jim Gallucci – Robinson Nature Center

Infinity by Ray Katz – Howard County Medical Center

Metamorphosis by Hanna Jubran – Howard County Public School System Administration Building

Off World Butterflies by Kirk Seese – North Laurel Community Center

Pages by Richard Pitts – Slayton House

Ribbon Arch II by Jim Gallucci – Savage Mill

Rybee House 4 by Stephen Klema – Merriweather Park at Symphony Woods

Sojourn by Adam Walls – Howard County Public Library System, East Columbia Branch

Space Time by Hanna Jubran – Clarksville Commons

The Shooting Star by Cathrin Hoskinson – Howard County Library System, Glenwood Branch

ARTsites 2024 sculptures will be in place through July 2025. For a free ARTsites brochure, email info@hocoarts.org or call 410-313-ARTS (2787).

HCC's ANNUAL MEETING AND GRANT AWARDS CEREMONY

The Arts Council will host its Annual Meeting and FY2025 Grant Awards Ceremony on September 20 from 6-8pm at the Center for the Arts. Opening remarks by Arts Council Board President Adam Stull will be followed by the presentation of grant awards by Howard County Executive Calvin Ball (invited). State and local public officials and leaders in the arts will be attending to recognize and celebrate Howard County's vibrant arts community. Following the grant awards presentation, visit our galleries and Resident Artist open studios (7-8pm) as we kick off Road to the Arts weekend!

ART MARYLAND 2024

A biennial, juried multimedia exhibit, *Art Maryland 2024* features artists who live, work, or study within a 100-mile radius of Ellicott City, MD. This year's guest juror is Dr. Kevin Tervala, Chief Curator at the Baltimore Museum of Art, who will offer remarks and present juror awards at a free reception on October 18 from 6-8pm. *Art Maryland 2024* will be on display from October 11 to November 16.

Paint It! Ellicott City 2024



An artist at work next to the Patapsco River during Paint It! Ellicott City 2024 (photo: Ray Urena)

The weather was gorgeous for our annual plein air paint-out June 6-9 as juried artists and more than 50 community painters gathered in historic Ellicott City's historic district to paint the town.

The Arts Council hosted a public reception on June 10 for the exhibit's opening, featuring the work of juried artists and the presentation of over \$7,500 in artist awards by juror Abigail McBride. Top prizes of the evening were the two Gino Awards, \$1,000 each, sponsored by the Manelli Family and named in honor of Ellicott City artist Gino Manelli (1915-2010). This year, the awards were presented to Christopher Best for *Morning on the Line*, and Pamela J. Betts for *A Cascade of Light on the Patapsco*. A complete list of award winners is available at hocoarts.org.

An opening reception for an exhibit featuring artists who took part in the Open Paint portion of Paint It! Ellicott City was held on June 27 at the Howard County Welcome Center.

Paint It! awards were made possible through the generous support of these sponsors: The Manelli Family, Blossoms of Hope, Howard County Historical Society, Patapsco Heritage Greenway, AARP Maryland, and the Family of Carole Zink. We'd also like to thank our media and hospitality

sponsor, Visit Howard County, as well as our juried and community artists; juror Abigail McBride; Ellicott City's Main Street business community; and our Paint It! spectators for helping to make this event a great success. We hope to see you again next year!