



The Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council

Creative We Stand

February 2021

A Note from our Executive Director:

Dear Friends,

Mission Critical. I want to make you aware of legislative priorities directly impacting the arts community. Please contact your local lawmakers and encourage them to support the following:

1. Please support fully funding Maryland State Arts Council at the mandated level of \$27.3 million
2. Reject Governor Hogan's proposed FY2022 MSAC cut of \$2.9 million
3. Please support the SB323/HB310, The Arts Capital Grant Program
4. Please support SB256: Expanding Artistic Definitions for Arts and Entertainment Districts



Please click [here](#) to access a full list of Prince George's County Lawmakers and their contact information. Thank you in advance for reaching out to your Senators and Delegates and imploring them to support these critical issues.

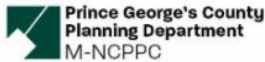
Creative We Stand,

Rhonda Dallas - Executive Director and Chief Curator
Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council

Prince George's County

CULTURAL ARTS STUDY

Art is what you make it...



The Prince George's County Cultural Arts Study recently hosted its second and third virtual Community Meetings focusing on the Impact of Arts on Economic Development, and the Role of the Arts in Creative Placemaking. The meetings highlighted how the arts contribute more than \$800B annually to the US economy, as well as where and how art can be created throughout the County. In smaller groups, participants discussed multiplier effects, job creation, audience development, and what makes up the creative economy.

Community members are encouraged to participate in the study. Click [here](#) to respond to the Cultural Arts Study Survey.

To learn more about upcoming community meetings, please register below:

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Resources

[Americans for the Arts](#)

[National Endowment for the Arts](#)

[Maryland State Arts Council](#)

[Maryland Humanities](#)

[Maryland Art Place Artist Registry](#)

[Greenbelt Arts & Culture](#)

[Gateway Arts District of Prince George's County](#)

Current Opportunities

PGAHC Databases and Forms

Artist Bank

Are you an artist? We'd like to keep you in the loop with all that's going on in the arts world in Prince George's County! Please fill out the form below so we can let you know about events and opportunities specific to your artistic interests.

Click [here](#) to join today!

Film Location Request Form

Prince George's County has many locations that are prime for film-making. Please fill out the form to make a request to use one of our many locations.

Please click [here](#) to fill out the location request form today!

Film Production Resource Database

Do you provide services or resources that benefit the film community? Please join our database.

Click [here](#) to join today!

Poet Laureate Request Form

Add poetry to your next event with the Prince George Office of Poet Laureate! Please let us know about your event by clicking [here](#).

Virtual Event Form



2021 Grant Programs Application Due Dates

Artist Fellowship Grant
Due March 12th

County Arts
Due March 12th

Arts in Education
Public Art

Open March 5th, Due April 9th

Visit pgaahc.submittable.com to apply today!

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council administers grants annually in the following categories: Artist Fellowship, County Arts, and Arts-in-Education.

A panel of art experts and professionals adjudicate each application before ultimately deciding on and announcing awardees.

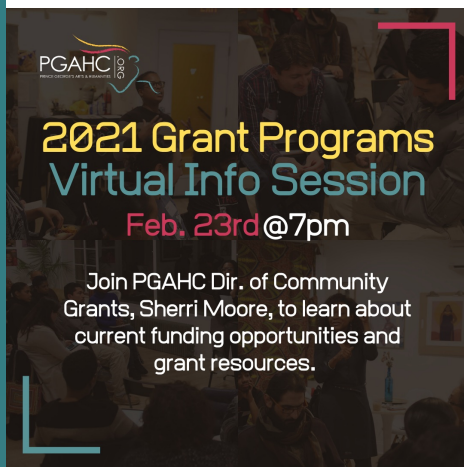
We are accepting applications for the FY21 Grant Season for County Arts and Artist Fellowships through 11:59pm on March 12, 2021. Applications for Arts-in-Education will open on March 5, 2021, and will close 11:59pm on April 9, 2021.

Please visit www.pgaahc.submittable.com to apply!

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council is dedicated to sharing virtual artistic experiences with our audiences. If you are an organization or individual artist hosting a virtual event, please fill out a short form so that we may add it to our calendar.

Click [here](#) to fill out the Virtual Event Form today!

Upcoming Events



2021 Grant Programs Virtual Info Session
Feb. 23rd @7pm

Join PGAHC Dir. of Community Grants, Sherri Moore, to learn about current funding opportunities and grant resources.

Feb. 23rd @7pm Grants Info Session

Learn all you need to know about PGAHC's Grant Process!

Click [here](#) to Register!



Coffee & Paint:
Celebrating Black History Month
February 27, 2021 @3pm

Keiona Clark
Paint Instructor

Virtual Event Streamed from the: **Capital Plaza Starbucks**

Space is limited. RSVP Today at pgaahc.eventbrite.com

Feb. 27th - Coffee &



Prince George's County Bus Shelter Pilot Public Art Opportunity

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council has announced a Request for Qualifications for the Prince George's County Public Art Bus Shelter Pilot. Please see the image below for a description of this opportunity.

Submissions are due **March 26th**. Questions may be directed to Rhonda Dallas at publicart@pgaahc.org.

Click [here](#) to download the full PDF file of the Request for Qualifications.

Community Engagement



Hundreds Celebrate and Advocate for the Arts at Virtual 2021 Maryland Arts Day

Living in a virtual reality did not stop nearly 500 Maryland arts leaders from doing the important work of advocating for the arts. Facilitated by Maryland Citizens for the Arts, representatives from each County in the State

Paint

Celebrate Black History Month with a special Paint Party led by Keiona Clark!

Space is limited. Click [here](#) to register!

WASHINGTON AREA LAWYERS FOR THE ARTS
2021 CREATIVE ENTREPRENEURS SERIES
Mondays @11am
Feb. 1st - March 15th (Except March 8th)
Register at walapgcarts3311.eventbrite.com
#WALAPGCARTS3311

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March 1st - Creative Entrepreneur Series: Negotiation Strategies

Click [here](#) to register. Use code, "PGAHC" for a free ticket.

participated in the 2021 Maryland Arts Day via zoom. This year's Sue Hess award winners included Kibibi Ajanku, and WombWork Production Inc.'s Mama Rashida, and Mama Kay. After being inspired by keynote speaker Aaron Maybin, each County hosted its delegation break-out sessions. Prince George's County's Delegation, hosted by PGAHC, consisted of over 40 arts leaders from around the County.

Click [here](#) to download the 2021 Maryland Arts Day bookmark!



Dr. Monica Goldson, PGCPs CEO, and 250 Others Join PGAHC and Prince George's County for Virtual Paint Party

On February 5th, Prince George's County Public Schools and Prince George's Arts and Humanities County co-hosted a Virtual Paint Party. Broadcast live from PGAHC's Arts'tination at National Harbor, the event was attended by over 250 PGCPs employees. Pierre the Artist took the guests and 7 VIP painters through the step-by-step process of painting their own versions of the Capital Wheel. Among the in-person VIP guests were Dr. Monica Goldson, CEO of the Prince George's County Public Schools, and Rhonda Dallas, Executive Director and Chief Curator of PGAHC. This socially distanced Paint Party was the first in a series of engaging events that will come from the PGCPs and PGAHC collaborative partnership.



PGAHC Partners with Council Member Rodney Streeter for First 'Healthcare Heroes' Thank You Event of 2021

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council partnered with District 7 County Council Member Rodney Streeter to thank the Healthcare Heroes at Greater Baden Medical Services, Inc. in Capitol Heights, MD! Council Member Streeter was treated to a walking tour of Greater Baden's facility which accounts for a significant amount of real estate in its Capitol Heights Plaza. As a part of the 'Thank You', Greater Baden's frontline healthcare workers were treated to lunch and an original poem written and presented by Prince George's County Poet Laureate, Sistah Joy.

PGAHC Event Highlights



Poet Laureate Kicks Off New Series by Celebrating Martin Luther King, Jr.

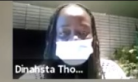
The Office of the Prince George's County Poet Laureate kicked off 2021 with its new series: From a Poet's Point of View. This interactive series led by Prince George's County Poet Laureate, Sistah Joy, provides a platform for local poets to share their work. Audience members are also invited to participate in the Open Mic section. The event celebrated the life and legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The virtual session also proved to be special as it served to introduce the 2021 Prince George's County Youth Poet Laureate, Sainey Ceesay, to a wide audience.

Coffee & Candor Writing & Poetry Workshop

Sponsored by:
Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council & Starbucks Community Store Hyattsville, MD

Facilitator:
Dinahsta "Miss Kiene" Thomas, MSW, LGSW & Visionary for The InkWELL
Pronouns: She, Her, Hers

Date:
January 23, 2021



zoom

PGAHC Partners with Starbucks for Coffee and Candor

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council recently partnered with Starbucks to host a virtual poetry event featuring local poet, Miss Kiene. Entitled Coffee and Candor, guests were treated to an afternoon writing and poetry workshop. Poised to flex their creative writing and poetic muscles, participants enjoyed hearing poetry from Miss Kiene as well as working on their own pieces.

PGAHC's next scheduled event in collaboration with Starbucks, Coffee and Paint, will take place on February 27th from 3pm to 5pm. Click [here](#) to register.

Creative Placemaking Highlight

PGAHC's Arts'Tination Showcases Local Artists at National Harbor

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Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council is excited to invite you to stroll by our newest art space dedicated to supporting local artists and curating immersive creative experiences. Our exhibit, 'ART IS HOPE', located at 162 Waterfront Street, National Harbor, MD featuring AHA! and visual artist R. Waldo Wilson. The artwork on display is on sale at our online marketplace (Artist certificates provided).

Click [here](#) to view and/or purchase the pieces currently on display.

DPARK3311 Fashion Lab Designer's Work Featured in Dance Institute of Washington Film



Maria Fenton, a member of the inaugural Designer in Residence cohort at DPARK3311's Fashion Lab, will have original designs featured in a film produced by the Dance Institute of Washington. The pieces will be adorned by the performers during the premiere of, "Our Spiritual Journey" taking place on February 28th at 6pm. Fenton recently shared a few 'behind-the-scenes' photos and thoughts about creative placemaking.

"Being a DPARK3311 Designer in Residency has given me a sense of legitimacy," Fenton said. "It has fueled my determination."

To see Fenton's work in action, please visit danceinstituteofwashington.org.

Watch Maria's creative process for the production below:





Bowie State University set to Open Animation Studio for Students

From NBC Washington:

Bowie State University is set to open a new stop-motion animation studio on its campus, which will make it the first of its kind at a historically Black college or university.

Animation studio Laika, known for its award-winning movies "Coraline" and "Paranorman," announced that it's helping to create the studio with all the equipment needed to bring students' ideas to life.

Click [here](#) to read the full story.

Black History Month Feature: *They Say I'm Your Teacher*



The Literacy Project teamed up with Filmmakers Lucy Massie Phenix and Catherine Murphy

to release their short film, 'They Say I'm Your Teacher.' The film explores the birth of Citizenship Education Schools which taught adult literacy and voter registration in the 1950s. Bernice Robinson, an African American beautician from South Carolina, was the first teacher at the Citizenship School. The school helped cultivate community organizations and Black leadership training and was instrumental in setting the stage for the freedom struggle for the next decade. Catherine Murphy and the film's archival researcher Malkia K. Lyda of Kuyamba Media are both Prince George's County residents.

Learn more about The Literacy Project at <https://www.theliteracyproject.org/>.

Local Job Opportunities



Maryland State Arts Council Seeks New Program Manager

The Maryland Department of Commerce is seeking qualified applicants for the position of Program Manager, State's Arts and Entertainment Districts (A&E) and the County Arts Development (CAD) programs within its Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC).

Applications are due March 1st at 5:00pm. Please click [here](#) to review the full job description.

Learn How You Can Support Local Artists and Arts Organizations!

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